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With a passport in your pocket, you are able to see the world. Passports are the tickets that can introduce us to all the different places and peoples of our planet. Passports used to be a pain to get, but you can now get them on the internet, granting you access to services like [passports renewals](#) right from your computer.

Passport renewal is the special service that people who have expired passports have access to. There are specific circumstances that warrant a passport replacement, and if you are looking to replace a passport, make sure they apply to you. For example, if you're 18 years or older, a passport is valid for ten years, so you need to renew when those ten years are up.

Passports for children, on the other hand, are only valid for five years. There are exceptions, however, once the child starts to get near the age of 18. If you're under 16 years old and your passport has expired, you need to renew a child passport. However, if you're 16 years or older, then you need to apply for a new adult passport.

Remembering this exception, you can then decide what sort of passport renewal service you need. If an applicant is 16 years or older, he or she needs to apply for an adult [new pass port](#). If the applicant is under 16, then he or she just renews their child passport.

Renewing a passport is incredibly easy to do. Start by finding a reputable and secure online passport service site. You no longer have to wait in long lines at the post office, fill out the entire application again, and then wait for months until your passport mysteriously appears at your doorstep; everything is online.

The security of these sites is very important. When you apply for a passport, you use some of your most at risk information, meaning that it's dangerous if someone gets their hands on this information. Fraud is a very real problem, and the standard passport process makes it a fear. Passports are delivered to you in the mail, and mailboxes are easily stolen from. Because passports - via the standard passport delivery process - take so long to get to you, someone could have stolen your passport and it would be months before you knew.

You want to make sure you can totally rely on the passport sites you're using. You can do this by doing a couple small visual tests. Start by simply judging how the page looks. Make sure it looks like a valid passport site. Next, look for a way you can contact the site - either a phone number or a mailing address. The final - and probably most important - step is looking for authentic seals of security. These little "badges" are put on a page to prove they're secure. "Verified by Visa," "McAfee Secure," and "Authorize.Net Verified Merchant" are a few, but there are many, many more.

After you've made sure the site is safe, the [passport renewal](#) process can start. First decide and pick what sort of service you will need. All of these services are available on this one secure site, meaning you can do all of your passport shopping in one place. Then pick when you'd like it delivered, check out, and then you're completely done. You can be sure your passport will be in your hands by your chosen date.

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