

The Portable Passport System Rotation Schedule

Please find below the rotation schedule in Canada for the portable passport unit for 2012. When applying for a passport, the applicant must come in person to the Consulate in question to submit their application. Please contact the Consulate ahead of time in order to make an appointment. More detailed instructions can be found at the end of this notice.

Toronto, February 8 – June 15, 2012

Appointments: Consulate of Finland, Toronto

Finn Thunder, July 27 – July 29, 2012, Thunder Bay (ON)

Note! Appointments should be made through the Embassy of Finland in Ottawa.

Vancouver, fall 2012

The portable passport unit will be available in Vancouver later in the year (September –November), more information will follow.

Appointments: Consulate of Finland, Vancouver

Contact Information

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Instructions

The application process is virtually the same as at the Embassy in Ottawa.

The passport system generates the application and with the portable system the photo will be taken as part of the application process. As the fee is set in euros, it may change with exchange rate fluctuation. Valid fees are posted in the Services section of the Embassy website (\$160.00 in February 2012).

The application can only be processed if the applicant's personal data (name, date and place of birth) in the Finnish population register is up-to-date (further information: www.vaestorekisterikeskus.fi or www.maistraatti.fi). For example name changes due to a marriage or divorce cannot be processed in the passport system. These have to be updated in the population register ahead of time. Also, children born outside of Finland cannot be issued a Finnish passport until their birth and citizenship details are entered into the Finnish population register.

Also possible dual citizenship information has to be registered at the population registry!

Applying for Finnish passports in Finland

Passport applications can be made in Finland at the local police station. The passport can be forwarded to the Embassy in Ottawa (by request) if it cannot be issued by the end of the stay in Finland. In fact, a passport application can be made at any passport issuing point in the world and the passport forwarded to Canada. Check the Foreign Ministry web site www.formin.fi for locations and contact information for Finnish missions. The Embassy in Ottawa will then make arrangements to forward the passport to the applicant, who should get in touch with the embassy upon return to Canada with their contact information. A pre-paid courier or Canada Post Xpress envelope must be provided by the applicant.

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