Embassy of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago Washington DC

1708 Massachusetts Avenue N.W., Washington D.C. 20036 Phone: (202)-467-6490 Email: *embdcimmigration*@foreign.gov.tt

FIRST (1ST) MACHINE READABLE PASSPORT (MRP) CHECKLIST

IDENTIFICATION OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO PASSPORT:

- Trinidad and Tobago passports that are <u>not</u> Machine Readable start with <u>six (6) digits</u> 123456 or <u>one (1) letter</u> and <u>six (6) digits</u> T456789 or B987654.
- Trinidad and Tobago passports that are Machine Readable start with <u>two (2) letters</u> and <u>six (6) digits</u> TA123456, TB987654, TC456789 or TB654321.

Complete application form using either <u>blue</u> or <u>black</u> ink. The use of correction fluid (white out) and erasable pens is <u>not</u> permitted, when completing the application. Form can be obtained at <u>www.foreign.gov.tt/embwashington</u>

When submitting an application:

- It is mandatory for first (1st) Machine Readable passport applicants to appear in person, to be interviewed and have their photograph taken.
- An appointment must be scheduled for submittal of application.
- Your last issued Trinidad and Tobago passport must be produced. If the most recent Trinidad and Tobago passport is not available please complete a Notification for Lost, Stolen or Mutilated passport. For <u>additional</u> <u>information refer to Documents 10 – 12</u> on our website at <u>www.foreign.gov.tt/embwashington</u>
- Copy of completed form and <u>all</u> supporting documents should be forwarded via email to <u>embdcpass@foreign.gov.tt</u>

Once applications are reviewed, applicants will be contacted within ten (10) – fourteen (14) business days to schedule their appointment. Processing time for first Machine Readable Passport (MRP) is <u>three (3) months</u>.

CITIZENSHIP BY DESCENT (DUAL CITIZENSHIP):

If the applicant is 16 years and over and a citizen of another country, applying for a Trinidad and Tobago passport, all applicable documents listed below must be submitted, for both themselves and the parent through whom they are obtaining citizenship. That parent must be a citizen of Trinidad and Tobago by birth.

All applicable <u>ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS</u> listed below must be produced, at the time of your appointment, along with one (1) coloured copy and completed **BLUE BORDER** application form.

- o Current Trinidad and Tobago Passport.
- Trinidad and Tobago Computer Generated Birth Certificate or Adoption Certificate, if *applicable*. If the applicant is not a citizen of Trinidad and Tobago by birth, their Original Birth Certificate/Adoption Certificate from the respective country must be produced; along with relevant official translations where necessary.
- Passport of any other Nationality for which applicant holds citizenship, *if applicable*.
- o Affidavit that may accompany Birth/Adoption Certificate, if applicable.
- Marriage Certificate for <u>each</u> Marriage with <u>affixed seal/stamp</u> from relevant judicial authority, applicable to women only.
- Divorce Decree, Legal Separation or Death Certificate for <u>each</u> dissolved Marriage, with affixed seal/stamp from relevant judicial authority, *applicable to women only.*
- Photo identification required; (*Permanent Resident Card and Driver's License or State or National Issued Identification, Work Authorization Card*). *Please provide <u>ALL</u> forms of ID available.*
- o Trinidad and Tobago Registration or Naturalization Certificate, if applicable.
- Naturalization or Registration Certificate for country of citizenship other than Trinidad and Tobago, if applicable.
- Name Change document or Deed Poll, *if applicable*.

Additional documents may be required on a case-by-case basis.

PAYMENTS: All payments must be made payable to "Embassy of Trinidad and Tobago" by money order only.

- Applicants under <u>two (2) years of age</u> or <u>sixty (60) years and over</u> a money order for <u>\$20.00</u> is required.
- Applicants <u>ages two (2) through fifty-nine (59) years old</u> a money order for <u>\$60.00</u> is required.
- **POSTAGE:** A money order for **\$28.75** *(subject to change)* must be provided for postage along with a letter of authorization to have your passport mailed.
 - The authorization letter must include <u>full name</u> (addressee), <u>full address</u> of where the passport(s), should be mailed and a valid <u>contact number</u>. The authorization letter can also be found on our website at <u>www.foreign.gov.tt/embwashington</u> (Document 13).