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PASSPORTS ACT (CHAPTER 220)

PASSPORTS (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 2017

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 60 of the Passports Act, the Minister for Home Affairs makes the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations are the Passports (Amendment) Regulations 2017 and come into operation on 1 January 2018.

Amendment of regulation 3

2. Regulation 3 of the Passports Regulations 2007 (G.N. No. S 651/2007) is amended —

(a) by deleting sub-paragraph (b) of paragraph (1) and substituting the following sub-paragraph:

“(b) subject to paragraph (2A), one photograph of the applicant;” and

(b) by inserting, immediately after paragraph (2), the following paragraph:

“(2A) The applicant is not required to submit a photograph under paragraph (1)(b) if the applicant has, within 3 months immediately preceding the date of the application mentioned in paragraph (1), submitted a photograph under regulation 4(1)(a) of the National Registration Regulations (Cap. 201, Rg 2).”.

Amendment of Second Schedule

3. The Second Schedule to the Passports Regulations 2007 is amended —

- (a) by inserting, immediately after the words “where the applicant’s” in item 1(b), the word “hair,”;
- (b) by deleting the words “The photograph” in item 1(d) and substituting the words “If submitted in hard copy, the photograph”;
- (c) by deleting the words “obstructed by any hair” in item 3(c) and substituting the word “obscured”;
- (d) by deleting paragraphs (f) and (g) of item 3 and substituting the following paragraphs:
 - “(f) If the applicant wears any spectacles, the photograph must show the applicant’s eyes clearly with no reflection off the spectacles.
 - (g) The photograph must not show the applicant wearing any hat or head covering unless —
 - (i) it is a hat or head covering that the applicant habitually wears for religious reasons or due to custom; and
 - (ii) the photograph provides a full frontal view of the applicant’s head and shoulders, showing the applicant’s facial features in their entirety.”; and
- (e) by deleting the word “toys” in item 3(h) and substituting the word “objects”.

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