

# NYC Child Custody Lawyers Ethan Steward and Martin Mohr Explain The Process of Obtaining a Child's Passport

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NYC child custody lawyers Ethan Steward and Martin Mohr (<https://www.newyorkfamilylawgroup.com/blog/what-you-need-to-know-about-your-childs-passport-jpg/>)

release a news article explaining the process of obtaining a child's passport. The lawyer mentions that summer travel is upcoming and children need their passports for travel. Some children may have a valid passport, while others may need to apply for their very first passport or reapply for an expired passport.

It is recommended that regardless of whether travel is planned or not that every child who is a U.S. citizen have a U.S. Passport. If your ex-spouse or partner is the primary custodian by court order or agreement that party may have the Passport in their possession. They should provide it to the requesting parent and not unreasonable withhold it from the traveling parent, the article from the NYC child custody lawyers says.

The process for applying for a child's passport is similar to that of an adult, but there are a few extra steps involved. Both parents or legal guardians must be present at the time of application, and they must provide proof of their relationship with the child. This can be done through a birth certificate or court order.

In addition to proof of relationship, both parents or legal guardians must also present valid identification, such as a driver's license or passport. If one parent is unable to be present, they must provide a notarized statement of consent.

Once all necessary documents have been gathered and the application is complete, the child's passport can be obtained through a local passport agency or accepted by mail. It's important to note that processing times may vary and it's recommended to apply for a child's passport at least six months in advance of any international travel.

In addition to the standard passport application process, there are also a few special considerations for children's passports. For example, children under the age of 16 are only issued a passport valid for five years, as opposed to the standard ten-year validity for adults.

There are also stricter rules in place for modifying a child's passport. If a child's name is changed due to adoption or other legal proceedings, a new passport must be obtained. The same is true if a child's appearance has significantly changed since the issuance of their current passport.

It's important for parents or legal guardians to keep track of their child's passport and make sure it's up to date. A child's passport is a vital document and can be used for a variety of purposes, including enrolling in school, obtaining a driver's license, and even applying for a job.

Lastly, the lawyer emphasizes the importance of having a skilled child support attorney when dealing with matters such as child custody and visitation. A skilled lawyer may be able to help the parents understand their roles and responsibilities in the divorce and help them come to a favorable agreement.

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