

The Best Guide to Mobile Passport: Breeze Through the Airport

What Is Mobile Passport?

Mobile Passport is a program authorized by U.S. Customs and Border Protection in conjunction with the Airports Council International of North America.

The program is designed to help travelers move more quickly through U.S. Customs and Border Protection checkpoints when they are returning to the United States from an international trip.

An iOS or Android mobile device is required to participate in Mobile Passport. The app can be downloaded for free on either operating system ([iOS](#), [Android](#)).

Once downloaded, a traveler simply needs to have Wi-Fi or mobile data service at their participating place of entry into the U.S., and they will be able to take advantage of Mobile Passport.

The Mobile Passport app allows travelers to store their passport and personal information securely and use the same information on multiple trips. Upon arrival, travelers answer the required trip and declarations questions in their app and submit the information to [U.S. Customs and Border Protection](#).

The information sent from the Mobile Passport app replaces the paper forms passengers typically have to fill out prior to arrival.

You no longer need to have a pen or fill out arrival forms on the plane or in line. Mobile Passport allows travelers to skip right to passport review and move through the U.S. Customs and Border Protection checkpoint with ease.

Which Airports Use Mobile Passport?

- Atlanta (ATL) – Hartsfield-Jackson International Airport
- Baltimore (BWI) – Baltimore-Washington International Airport
- Boston (BOS) – Boston Logan International Airport
- Chicago (ORD) – Chicago O'Hare International Airport
- Dallas (DFW) – Dallas Fort Worth International Airport
- Denver (DEN) – Denver International Airport
- Fort Lauderdale (FLL) – Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport
- Fort Lauderdale (PEV) – Port Everglades Cruise Port
- Houston (IAH) – George Bush Intercontinental Airport
- Houston (HOU) – William P. Hobby Airport
- Los Angeles (LAX) – Los Angeles International Airport
- Miami (MIA) – Miami International Airport
- Miami (MSE) – Miami Seaport Cruise Port
- Minneapolis (MSP) – Minneapolis Saint Paul International Airport
- New York City (JFK) – John F. Kenedy International Airport
- Newark (EWR) – Newark Liberty International Airport
- Orlando (MCO) – Orlando International Airport
- Phoenix (PHX) – Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport
- Pittsburgh (PIT) – Pittsburgh International Airport
- Portland (PDX) – Portland International Airport
- Raleigh (RDU) – Raleigh Durham International Airport
- Sacramento (SMF) – Sacramento International Airport
- San Diego (SAN) – San Diego International Airport
- San Fransisco (SFO) – San Fransisco International Airport
- San Jose (SJC) – Mineta San Jose International Airport
- Seattle (SEA) – Seattle-Tacoma International Airport
- Tampa (TPA) – Tampa International Airport
- Washington, DC (IAD) – Washington Dulles International Airport
- West Palm Beach (WPB) – Port of Palm Beach Cruise Port

How to Use the Mobile Passport App

To get started with Mobile Passport, the first thing you need to do is download the Mobile Passport app ([iOS](#) or [Android](#)).

Once you have the Mobile Passport app, you can set up your profile. This includes adding your personal information and official information as it appears on your passport. Make sure your passport is valid for international travel.

One helpful thing about the Mobile Passport app is that you do not need separate devices for each member of your family. You can set up a profile for each family member within a single app, which is especially nice [for families with young children](#).

When you return to the United States at a participating Mobile Passport location, simply follow these steps:

1. Open the app and answer 5 brief questions about your trip.
2. Review all of the information about your travel that is showing in the app. Be sure to check that everything is accurate.
3. Then, electronically submit your information to Customs and Border Protection.
4. After submitting your information, you will receive an electronic receipt that contains an encrypted barcode. This should take only a few seconds to get and will be valid for 4 hours.
5. Finally, follow the Mobile Passport Control signs, show your passport to the Customs and Border Protection officer, and scan the barcode on your receipt. Once this is complete, you should be good to go. It's as easy as that.

FAQ

What is Mobile Passport?

Mobile Passport is a program that allows for expedited entry into the U.S. for qualified U.S. and Canadian citizens. Using the Mobile Passport app allows travelers to submit their passport and declarations information electronically to Customs and Border Protection, instead of using the traditional paper form.

Is Mobile Passport free?

Yes, Mobile Passport is free. There is no cost to use the Mobile Passport service, as long as you have a compatible iOS or Android mobile device.

Can Mobile Passport be used in other countries?

No, Mobile Passport can only be used in the United States when entering from another country.

Who can use Mobile Passport?

Mobile Passport can be used by U.S. citizens with a valid U.S. passport and by Canadian citizens with a valid Canadian passport and either a B1 or B2 visa status. You must have the Mobile Passport app installed on either an iOS or Android device with have Wi-Fi or mobile internet service at the time of entry.

What is the Mobile Passport app?

The Mobile Passport app is used to communicate with Customs and Border Protection, electronically submitting passport and declarations information, allowing travelers to forego the traditional paper forms when entering the United States from another country. Traveler information can be stored in the Mobile Passport app for use on future trips.