



**U.S. Department of State
Passport Services**

**IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PASSPORT ACCEPTANCE AGENTS
February 1, 2018**

**Notice of Increase in Passport Acceptance Fees
Effective Monday, April 2, 2018**

We are pleased to announce that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has approved the increase of the passport acceptance fee (also known as the execution fee) from \$25 to **\$35**. Beginning **Monday, April 2, 2018**, you may collect the new acceptance fee. Other fees for passport application services remain the same. An updated fee chart will be sent to your facility as it gets close to the effective date.

The final rule for the acceptance fee was published in the Federal Register on Wednesday, January 31, 2018 and can be viewed by accessing the link below.

<https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2018/01/31/2018-01809/schedule-of-fees-for-consular-services-department-of-state-and-overseas-embassies-and>

Your facility will likely see an uptick in demand since many customers may apply for their passport between now and April 2 to avoid paying the higher acceptance fee. February and March are normally busy months for our acceptance facilities so you may want to offer additional hours for passport acceptance services or hold a passport fair during a weekend.

As always, your Regional Customer Service Manager(s) are available to answer any questions you may have regarding the acceptance fee increase or the Passport Acceptance Program.