

Countersigning Passports

Who can sign your form and photo?

The patient's dentist who;

O Has known the patient (or the adult who signed the form if the passport is for a child under 16) for at least 2 years.

Even though we do provide countersigning it still remains down to your dentist's discretion on whether they chose to provide this service.

The counter signatory (dentist) must:

- Live in the UK.
- O Have a current British or Irish passport.

Charges

- o If the dentist is required to sign a hard copy of either the paper application form, passport photograph or an online application form a **15-minute appointment** will be required with the applicant. This will incur a private fee £55.
- It is at the dentist's discretion whether a face-to-face appointment is required. This may be dependent on the length of time the dentist has known the patient, however the fee of £55 still remains the same.
- In instances when more than one appointment is required (eg. the application form has not been completed correctly or lost in the post); this will result in a further charge of £55/15-minute appointment.

Applicant/patient

Patients are encouraged to apply for their passport online, this ensures the application form is completed in full prior to the dentist being requested to countersign.

Patients must:

- Request for a dentist to countersign prior to applying for their passport, the easiest
 way to do this is either by emailing the practice on lnfo@oldlanddental.co.uk or
 alternatively calling the practice on **0117 932 4455**.
- Applicant/patient will have to pay £50 private fee prior to the dentist countersigning if not seen face-to-face.
- Dentist will provide the practice email address on their application, not their personal email address.