US Immigrant Visa (DS-260) photo

U.S. immigrant visa — DS-260 applicants (printed photos at interview)

Print size	2×2 in (51×51 mm)
Head size	The height of the head (top of hair to bottom of chin) should measure 1 inch to 1 3/8 inches (25 mm - 35 mm)
Background	Taken in front of a plain white or off-white background
Glasses	Eyeglasses are no longer allowed in new visa photos, except rare medical cases with a signed medical statement.
Head covering	Do not wear a hat or head covering that obscures the hair or hairline, unless worn daily for a religious purpose.
Expression	With a neutral facial expression and both eyes open
Taken within	6 months

Official wording

“Photos must not be digitally enhanced or altered to change your appearance in any way.”

Sources (checked 2026-11-07):

https://web.archive.org/web/20260709203317/https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/us-visas/visa-information-resources/photos.html
https://web.archive.org/web/20260714033135/https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/us-visas/visa-information-resources/photos/photo-composition-template.

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