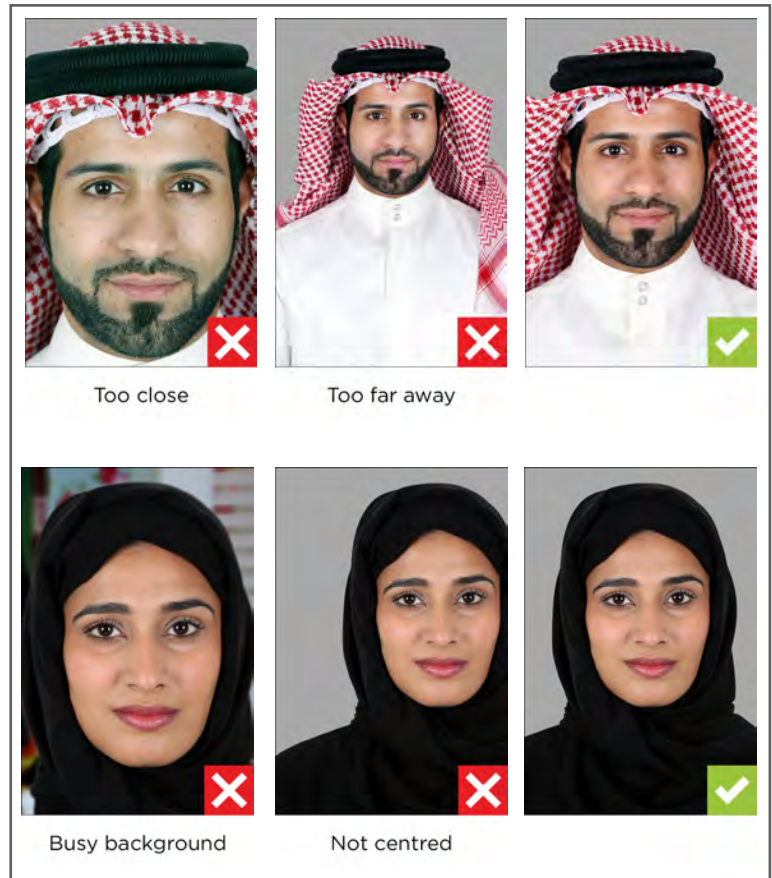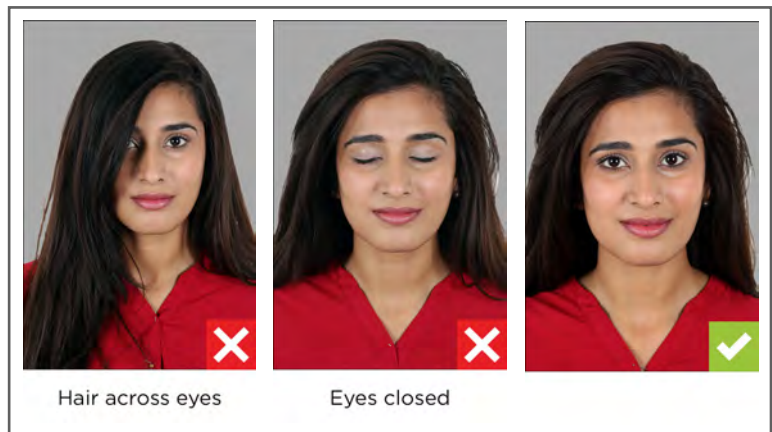# New ID Card Photo Requirements
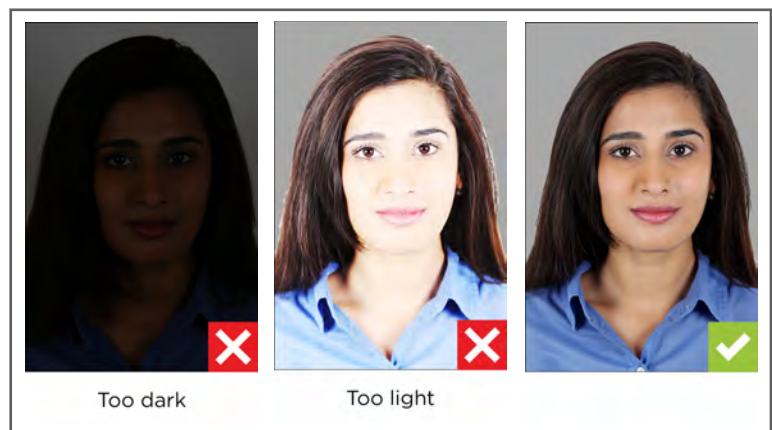
The photo must fulfill the following standards:

- The photo must have a grey color background Red,Green,Blue (RGB) 168, 168,168.
- The photo must be no more than 6-months old.
- The applicant photo must show a close up of the head and the top of the shoulder. The face should takeup 70-80% of the photograph.
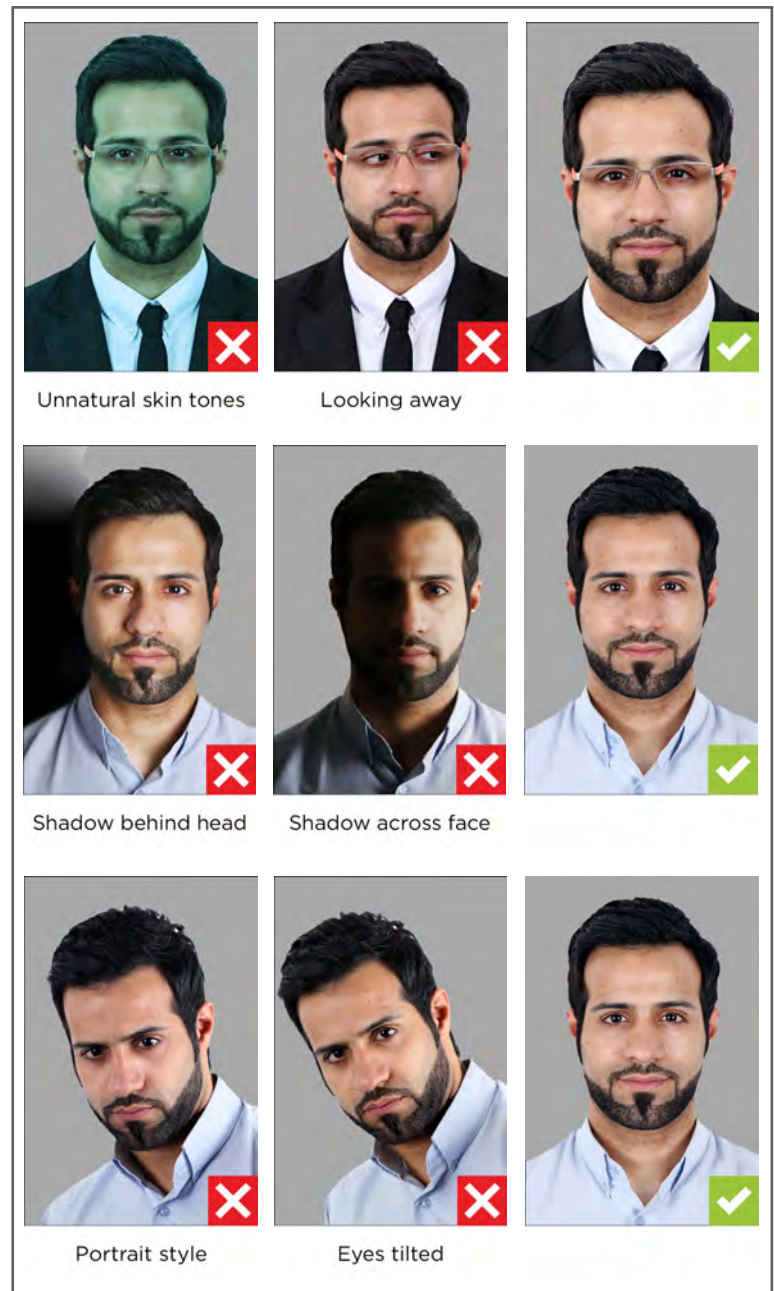

Too close — Too far away

Busy background — Not centred

- The face of the applicant photo must not be covered by hair.
- The applicant eyes must be open and clearly visible.

Hair across eyes — Eyes closed
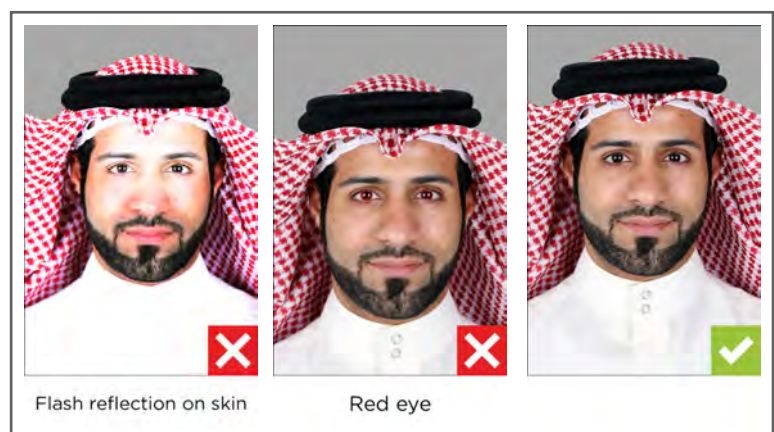
- The applicant photo must not be over/under exposed.

Too dark — Too light

- The photo must show the applicant facing forward and looking directly at the camera showing both edges of the face.

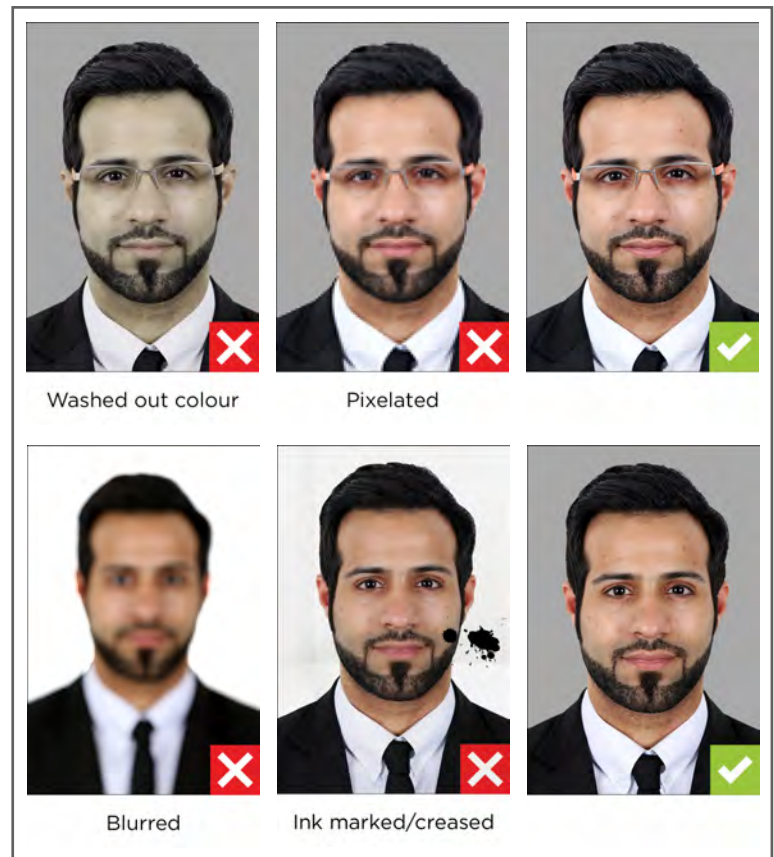| Unnatural skin tones | Looking away | |
| Shadow behind head | Shadow across face | |
| Portrait style | Eyes tilted | |

- Red eyes & flash reflection must be avoided in the photo during photography.

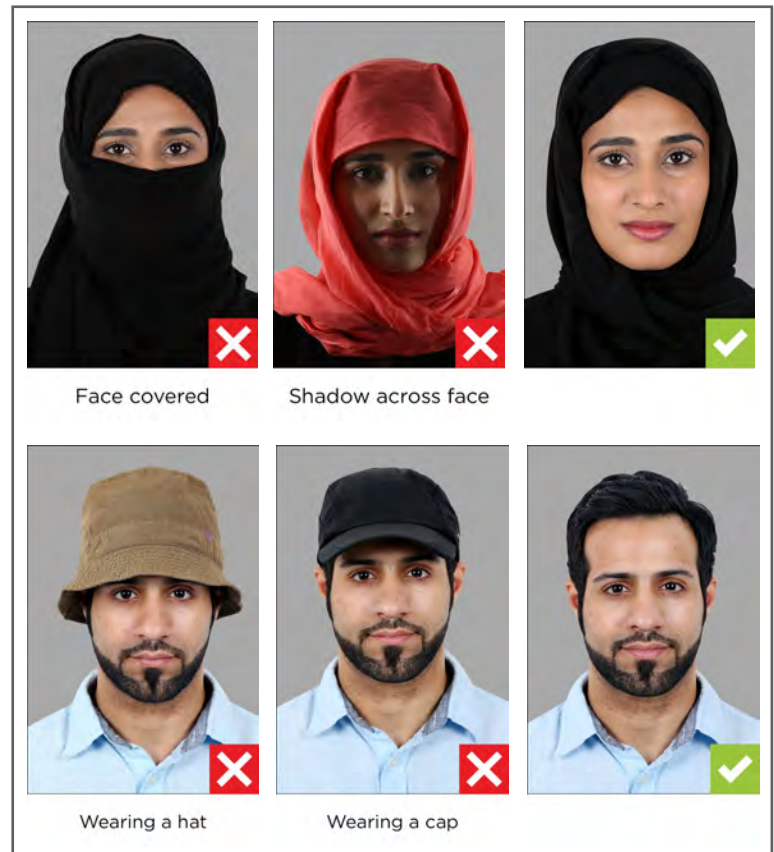| Flash reflection on skin | Red eye | |

Photo Size & Resolution:

- The photo dimensions must be 240 Pixels wide by 320 Pixels height at least as a smaller photo size will be rejected. For example, a photo being 235 Pixels wide by 320 Pixels height is not valid.
- The photo should keep a proportion of 3 x 4 (width x height).
- Photos resolution should be 300 DPI.
- The image size should not exceed 3 MB.
- The photo should not be modified or enhanced in anyway using Photoshop or any editing software.

Washed out colour   Pixelated
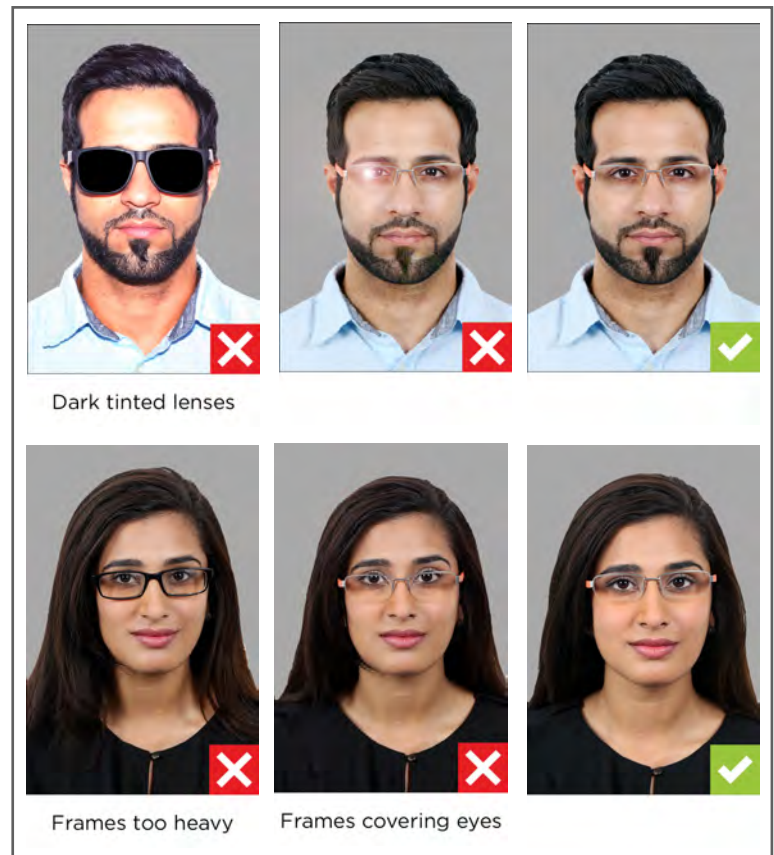
Blurred   Ink marked/creased

Head Coverings:

- When wearing the Veil and Ghutra but the applicants' full face must be visible, and the head covering must not cast any shadows on the face.

Face covered   Shadow across face

Wearing a hat   Wearing a cap

Glasses:

- The eyes must be clearly recognizable; reflections from the glasses are not permitted. The edge of the glasses or the frames must not cover any part of the eyes and thick frames should be avoided, if possible.
- Tinted glasses or colored contact lenses that hide the original eye color will not be accepted.

Child portrait:

- Children must be on their own in the photo.
- Children under 5 do not have to be looking directly at the camera.
- Children under 1 do not need to have their eyes open. If their head is supported by a hand, the hand must not be visible in the photo.