

The changes in passport requirements are being introduced at this time because it coincides with the normal low level in public demand for passport service.

Distribution of New Forms

Through the co-operation of the Post Office Department, stocks of the amendment instruction sheet (Form EXT 1000/Bil.1969) and Statutory Declaration in Lieu of Guarantor (Form EXT 829) to amend stocks of existing passport application forms have been forwarded to all local postmasters throughout Canada so they will be able to serve the public. If advance copies have not been received today, they should arrive within a day or two. Additional stocks are available through either normal Post Office Department channels or the Passport Office, Ottawa. The same material also has been forwarded to all travel agents and transportation companies so they will be fully aware of the changes in passport requirements.

Amended passport applications Form A and B reflecting the changes in instructions for completing passport applications will be distributed through the same channels as soon as the new forms are completed by the printer, but they are not expected to be available until some time after April 1, 1969.