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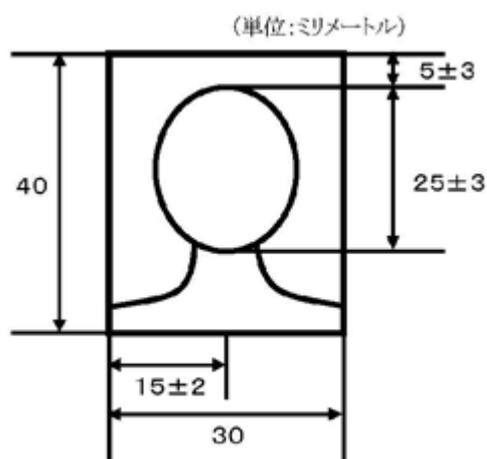
Standards for submitted photos

## Standards for submitted photos

The following photos must be submitted for each application.

In addition, please refer to the [Appropriate Photo Examples] and [Inappropriate Photo Examples] below and submit photos that meet the standards.

Please note that if an application is submitted using an inappropriate photo that does not meet the specified standards, we will ask you to retake the photo.



1. Photo size  
4cm long, 3cm wide
2. Photo taken only of the applicant
3. The dimensions of the part excluding the edges meet the dimensions shown in the diagram on the left.  
(Face dimensions are from the top of the head (including hair) to the tip of the chin)
4. Without a hat and facing forward
5. No background (including shadows)
6. Something that is clear
7. Photographs taken within 6 months prior to the date of submission
8. With your name written on the back

### Appropriate photo example

Items that meet all specified standards and allow for easy identification of a person



### Examples of inappropriate photos

#### Items that do not meet specified dimensions or standards



Off center



Face turned sideways



There is a shadow in the background



Body is leaning

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Part of the face is hidden

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The frames of the glasses are hanging over the eyes



The frames of the glasses are very thick



The light is reflected on the glasses



Part of the face is hidden by the mask



I can't see your eyes because of your bangs



His face is covered with cloth, creating a shadow.

(Note) Even if the face is covered with cloth, there is no problem as long as the face is clearly visible. If you wish to cover your face with cloth, etc. for religious or medical reasons, please submit a written statement (optional format).

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It is difficult to identify a person

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Significantly different from normal facial expression



Difficult to identify outline due to dark background color



Blurred due to out of focus or camera shake



There is a shadow on the face

**\*In addition, it is inappropriate under any circumstances to change the image of the person through image processing, such as making the eyes look bigger, whitening, or correcting facial parts, moles, wrinkles, etc. Also, horizontally flipped photos are inappropriate.**