

too close



too far away



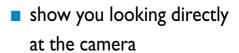


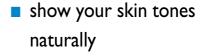


ink marked/creased



# The photographs must:





- have appropriate brightness and contrast
- be printed on high quality paper, and at high resolution

Photographs taken with a digital camera must be high quality colour and printed on photo-quality paper.



blurred

looking away



unnatural skin tones



too light



too dark

washed out colour



pixelated



Photograph quality



- no more than 6-months old
- 35-40mm in width
- close up of your head and top of your shoulders so that your face takes up 70–80% of the photograph
- in sharp focus and clear
- of high quality with no ink marks or creases





hair across eyes



eyes closed





portrait style



eyes tilted





busy background



not centred





redeye



flash reflection on skin



shadows behind head



shadows across face

## Style and lighting

### The photographs must:

- be colour neutral
- show your eyes open and clearly visible—no hair across your eyes
- show you facing square on to the camera, not looking over one shoulder (portrait style) or tilted, and showing both edges of your face clearly
- be taken with a plain light-coloured background
- be taken with uniform lighting and not show shadows or flash reflections on your face and no red eye



dark tinted lenses



flash reflection on lenses





frames too heavy



frames covering eyes





wearing a hat



shadows across face



face covered



shows another person



mouth open and toy too close to face



#### Glasses and head covers

### If you wear glasses:

- the photograph must show your eyes clearly with no flash reflection off the glasses, and no tinted lenses (if possible, avoid heavy frames wear lighter framed glasses if you have them)
- make sure that the frames do not cover any part of your eyes.

### **Head coverings:**

are not permitted except for religious reasons, but your facial features from bottom of chin to top of forehead and both edges of your face must be clearly shown.

#### **Expression and frame**

## Your photographs must:

show you alone (no chair backs, toys or other people visible), looking at the camera with a neutral expression and your mouth closed.