**IMP. NOTICE: APPLICATION PROCESS during COVID-19**

**(PLEASE CALL BLS CALL CENTER FOR DETAILED QUERIES)**

Processing of Visa Applications at BLS Centers has been temporarily suspended, as per Ministry guidelines.

Passport, OCI, PCC Applications are being accepted only through mail/post.

BLS Walk-in Application Centers are Closed due to COVID-19. Applicants need to Call BLS Call Center to book the Pick-up & Drop off service for submitting Passport, OCI, PCC and Surrender/Renunciation Applications.

Only BLS authorized courier service (Purolator) can reach the BLS Quarantined Postal Hubs which can ONLY BE BOOKED THROUGH BLS CALL CENTER.

Any Other Courier/ Mail delivery would Not reach BLS Quarantined Postal Hubs and BLS would Not be responsible for such applications.

The applications are accepted only at the below mentioned centers

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| **JURISDICTION** | **LOCATION** | **ADDRESS** |
| TORONTO | BRAMPTON | 10 GILLINGHAM DRIVE, UNIT 202, ONTARIO, L6X 5A5 |
| OTTAWA | OTTAWA | 150 Montreal Road, Unit 311, ON K1L 8H2 |
| VANCOUVER | SURREY | Unit 201-8140 120th Street, BC V3W 3N3 |

**PROCESSING TIME**

**(Please Expect Longer Processing Time)**

Processing time is longer than usual due to high postal volume and also because of applications being quarantined at both BLS location and at the Consulate.

**PLEASE NOTE** the **Original Document Requirement** for **Passport, PCC & Surrender Applications** during the COVID-19 period (however, please do refer to the **Document Checklist** available on BLS website for detailed information about supporting documents required for your postal application)

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| **Original Document Requirement – for Passport, PCC & Surrender Application**  |
| **MISSION JURISDICTION** | **PASSPORT RENEWAL** | **POLICE CLEARNCE FOR INDIAN PASSPORT HOLDERS** | **SURRENDER OF INDIAN CITIZENSHIP** |
| **TORONTO CONSULATE** | APPLICANT’S PASSPORT | COPIES OF ALL RELEVANT DOCUMENTS | APPLICANT’S PASSPORT |
| **HCI, OTTAWA** | APPLICANT’S PASSPORT | COPIES OF ALL RELEVANT DOCUMENTS | APPLICANT’S PASSPORT |
| **VANCOUVER CONSULATE** | APPLICANT’S PASSPORT ALONG WITH NOTARIZED COPIES OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS AS MENTIONED IN THE CHECKLIST | APPLICANT’S PASSPORT ALONG WITH PHOTO COPIES OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS AS MENTIONED IN THE CHECKLIST | APPLICANT’S PASSPORT ALONG WITH PHOTO COPIES OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS AS MENTIONED IN THE CHECKLIST |