

## USCIS Photo Requirements

Please be sure to follow the guidelines as indicated in the following graphic. These are different than the previous side-pose that was required. Also be sure to write (in pencil) your name and Admission # on the back of the photos.

- The photos must be in color, with a plain background.
- All photos must meet size and image specifications.
- Photos must be of the applicant only.
- Where more than one photo is required, all photos of the person must be identical.
- The photos must be no more than 30 days old when an application is filed.
- The rules regarding head and face coverings have not changed. In general, head and face coverings are not acceptable on immigration photographs. However, the Foreign Affairs Manual (FAM) delineates very limited circumstances (medical or religious) when such coverings might be acceptable.

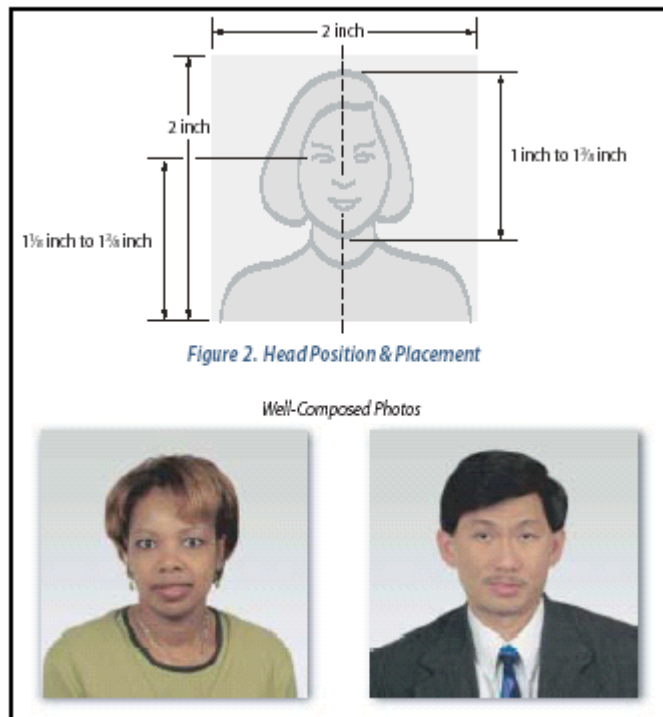
**Obsolete ADIT style photo, shown only for reference purposes**



**New-style full-face photo (details on the next 3 pages)**



**Resource b** Sample USCIS and DOS photos



↑ source: [DOS U.S. Passport and U.S. Visa Photography Guide](#)