



## Passport Information

Your staff or representatives attending the AAOMS Annual Meeting held in Toronto, Ontario, Canada from October 12-17, 2009 **will** need a passport to get in and out of Toronto (technically you do not need a passport to get into Canada but **YOU DO NEED** a passport to get back in the US). Your staff should check the expiration date on their passports to make sure they will be valid when traveling later this year.

If your staff does not have a passport, they should begin the application process as soon as possible so they will have it in sufficient time to travel. The current processing time is 3-4 weeks and the fee is \$100 (\$75 if applying by mail). Passports are valid for 10 years.

There is a “passport card” that is available as well. However, it is NOT applicable if traveling to Canada by air. To be certain not to have any challenges, go the passport route which covers all transportation modes. Please check the State Department’s link below for details on renewing or applying and make this a priority.

State Department website: [http://travel.state.gov/passport/get/fees/fees\\_837.html](http://travel.state.gov/passport/get/fees/fees_837.html)