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IS YOUR **M**achine **R**eadable**T**Travel **D**ocument ICAO COMPLIANT? And future proof?

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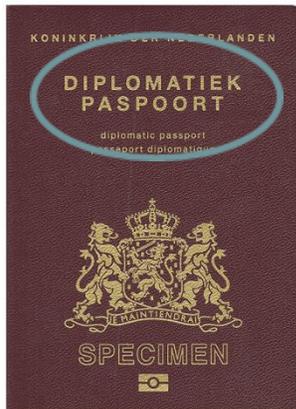
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HARMONISING DOCUMENT TYPE INDICATOR IN MACHINE READABLE TRAVEL DOCUMENTS.

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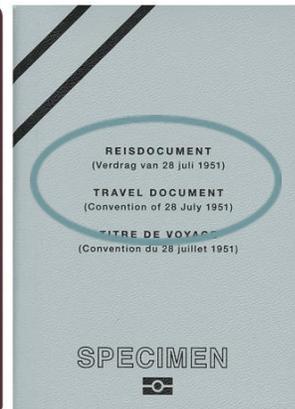
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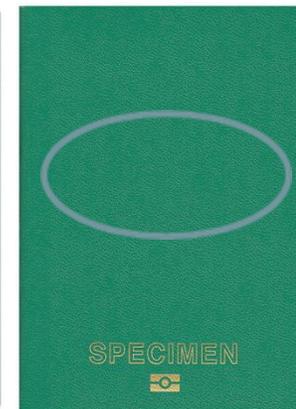
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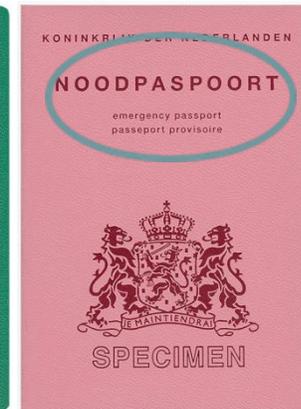
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Refugee Passport Convention 28-07-1951



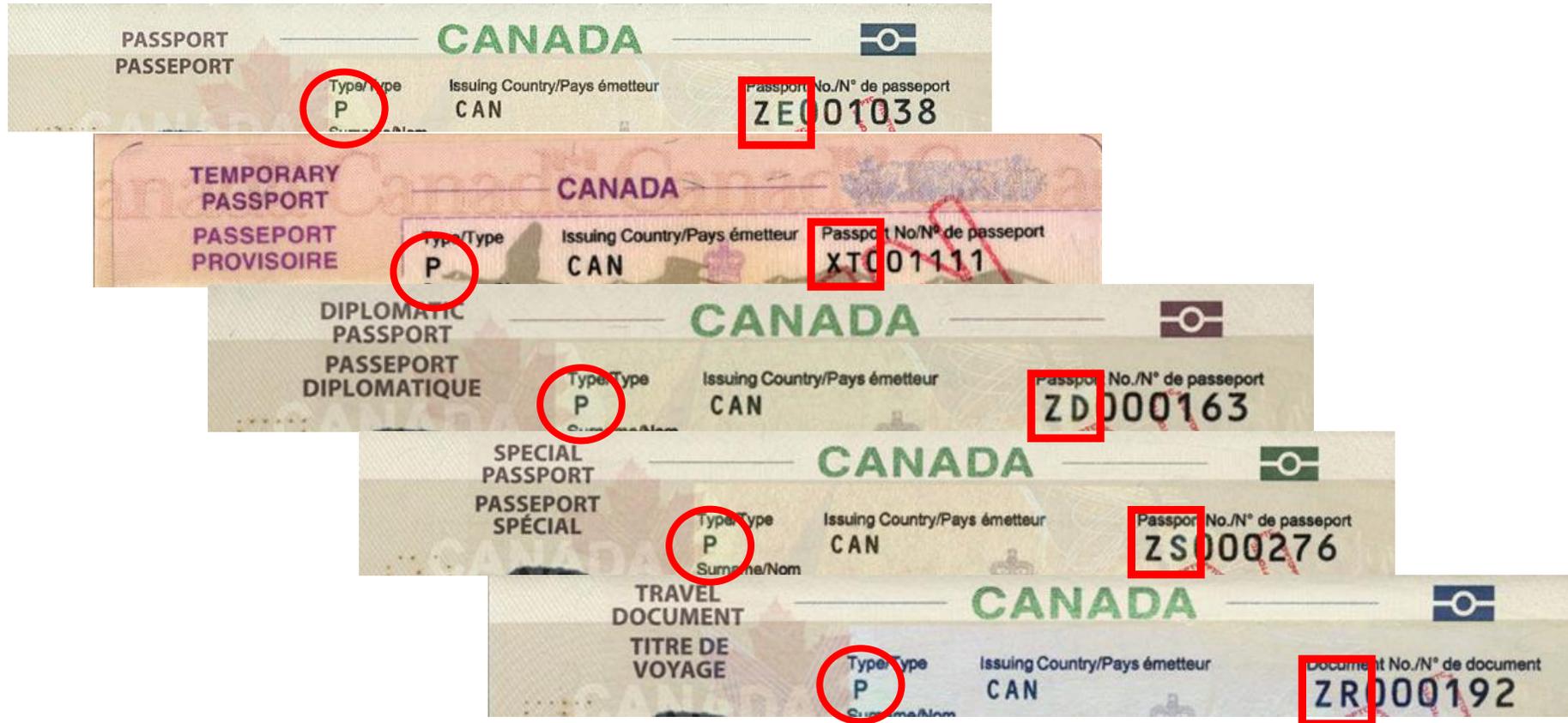
Alien Passport



Emergency passport

THE SECOND LETTER IN THE MRZ-VIZ of MRP's

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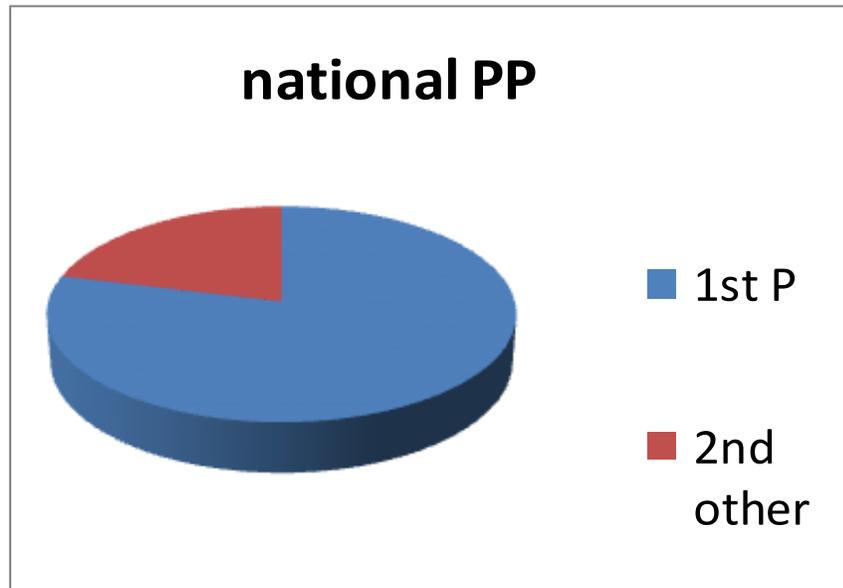
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Nowadays we use electronic MTRDs instead of MRTD and make use of ABCs

However, ABCs cannot differentiate between the different types of passports

**THIS MEANS THAT ALL MRPs
MUST BE PROVIDED
WITH A **SECOND LETTER**
AFTER THE P (for passport) TO
INDICATE THE TYPE OF THE MRP**

Research to investigate the presence of the second letter after the "P" for passports to indicate the type of the MRP.



- **146** Countries issue passports with P
- **39** other combinations; S, PA, PB, PC, PE, PL, PM, PN, PO, PR and PV.

ACTION TAKEN BY THE TAG/TRIP 2021

Endorsed the mandatory introduction of a second letter in the MRZ after the 'P' to indicate the type of MRP as defined in 3.1;

NATIONAL PASSPORT	PP
EMERGENCY PASSPORT	PE
DIPLOMATIC PASSPORT	PD
OFFICIAL/SERVICE PASSPORT	PO
REFUGEE TRAVEL DOCUMENT	PR
ALIEN PASSPORT	PT
STATELESS PASSPORT	PS
TRAVEL DOCUMENTS (eu, interpol etc)	PL

ACTION TAKEN BY THE TAG/TRIP 2021

- **Endorsed that this document type indication is also mentioned in the VIZ (Visual Inspection Zone);**
- **Endorsed that member states have to introduce this before 01-01-2026;**
- **Instructed NTWG and ISO/JTC1/WG3 to incorporate these specifications in Document 9303.**

Benefits

“Increasing uniformity in the use of the second letter in the MRZ after “P” will

- **not affect the current structure of the MRZ and**
- **eventually assist Automated/Assisted Border Control and other systems in recognising every type of MRP.”**



THANK YOU



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