

Which Factors Influence the Location of the Chip in an ePassport?

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Security Feature Dissemination

The best protection is obtained from a balanced set of security features and techniques around the document that provide multiple integrated layers of security that combine to deter or defeat fraudulent attacks.

Datapage Thickness

An electronic datapage has an increased thickness due to the presence of the chip. The thicker the datapage, the less flexible it becomes. In extreme cases a datapage can crack, breaking the connection between the antenna wire and the chip.

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Sourcing Strategies

When sourcing complete booklets from a single entity, there is no real difference. A single supplier is easier and slightly more cost effective.

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Previous Generations

Finally, the choice depends largely on the existing passport already in place.

Countries moving from a non-electronic passport to an ePassport are free to explore both options.

Learn more about the location of the chip in an ePassport

