## Canada Travel Document Info on U.S. State Dept Travel Site

**Travel Documents:** Both the U.S. and Canadian governments urge frequent travelers to join the NEXUS trusted traveler program. NEXUS members receive a special travel card that allows expedited border crossings for both private and commercial travelers through both U.S. and Canadian border controls.

If a U.S. citizen traveling to Canada does not have a passport, passport card, or approved alternate document such as a NEXUS card, they must show a government-issued photo ID (e.g. Driver's License) and proof of U.S. citizenship such as a U.S. birth certificate, naturalization certificate, or expired U.S. passport. Children under 16 need only present proof of U.S. citizenship. (Please see below for important information concerning re-entry into the United States.)

U.S. citizens entering Canada from a third country must have a valid U.S. passport.

When returning to the United States from Canada, it is very important to note that **all** U.S. citizens are required to present a valid U.S. passport to enter or re-enter the United States **via air**.

For entry into the United States via land and sea borders, U.S. citizens must present either a <u>U.S. passport</u>, passport card, NEXUS card, Enhanced Drivers License, or other Western Hemisphere Travel Initiative (WHTI)-compliant document. The <u>only exception</u> to this requirement is for U.S. citizens under the age of 16 (or <u>under 19, if traveling with a school, religious, or other youth group) who need only present a birth certificate (original, photocopy or certified copy), Consular Report of Birth Abroad, or naturalization certificate.</u>

## **Dave's Interpretation:**

All Adults, and Scouts 16 & older, must have a current U.S. Passport. Scouts younger than 16 must have at least a certified birth certificate. All minors (under 18) must have written permission slip to travel (the Troop permission slip will work) signed by <u>BOTH</u> Parents & Notarized.