

1. **What is Bellisseria?** Bellisseria is the Linden Continent where Premium and Premium Plus members can (if they choose) own Linden Homes. It's a planned environment, landscaped by the Linden Department of Public Works (LDPW) staffed by the Moles. It is subject to a special covenant, which – for example – prohibits commercial uses and ban lines. Only Premium members can own a home in Bellisseria, but all Residents of Second Life® can visit and there are numerous public Rez Zones for vehicles, boats and aircraft.
2. **What is the BBB?** BBB is an abbreviation for "Bellisserian Bureau of Bureaucracy." Our name should not be taken too seriously. None of the documents we issue are necessary to live your Second Life®. They're all just for fun!
3. **Where is the BBB's Headquarters?** Our HQ is in the Swordfish region of Bellisseria at <http://maps.secondlife.com/secondlife/Swordfish/203/58/35>.
4. **What is your purpose?** In 2020, our founder Boo Rojyo came up with the idea of a passport for the then-new continent of Bellisseria. He aimed to promote exploration in Second Life® by allowing landowners with interesting, non-commercial builds to issue stamps for those passports.
5. **Who runs the BBB?** The "bureaucrats" of the BBB are volunteers focussed on supporting the Second Life community in Bellisseria and beyond. We are a resident-owned initiative independent of Linden Lab, but we have support as such from the Lindens and the Moles.
6. **What do your services cost?** All BBB products (e.g. passports, stamp-issuing terminals for landowners, driving, boating and flying licences) are provided free-of-charge, for Premium and non-Premium members alike.
7. **How is your work funded?** We are a not-for-profit resident initiative. We do not solicit donations. The Lindens have kindly provided land for our use and some private landowners generously allow the use of their land for our Post Offices. Staff often bear their own expenses, which could be considered cash contributions.

8. **Do you only serve Bellisseria?** No. We began as a community initiative in Bellisseria and initially only issued passports etc. to its residents. By popular demand, we have extended the service to all of Second Life® by founding the CPCB.
9. **What is the CPCB?** The Continental Passport Control Board is our associated SL group issuing passports using our technology. Users can freely join the group to receive our communications and to seek support. If you live on a Mainland continent, you can pick up a passport for that continent from our Embassy there. If you live on a private estate or are homeless, you can pick up a generic SL passport from any Embassy.
10. **What is a Bellisserian Embassy?** We manage embassies to the other SL continents (except Zindra). The idea is to bring SL residents together and promote exploration and community. The Honorary Ambassadors are free to go about that task in their own way during their term of office. Embassies are intended to be useful sources of information and ideas and to issue the CPCB passports.
11. **How do I qualify for a Bellisserian Passport?** Bellissarian Passports are manually issued by our bureaucrats on personal application using the forms issued at our HQ. To qualify, you must either be (or be the registered partner of) a Bellisserian resident. Our bureaucrats will verify that you own a Linden Home in Bellisseria before issuing the passport.
12. **What is the BBBug?** The BBB User Group is the group for holders of our Bellisserian Passports. It's a closed group. When your application for a passport is accepted you'll receive an invite to our Initiation Office where you'll be scanned before being invited to the group. The BBBug is the primary communication channel with our Bellisserian users.
13. **What other documents do you issue?** Apart from the famous passports, we also issue Driving, Sailing and Flying licences. We have plans to introduce driving tests when we've recruited the staff to administer them.
14. **What is The Gazette?** The Gazette is our online journal of record, usually published at 00.01 SLT every Saturday. The copy deadline is 00.01 SLT every Thursday. It has articles about our services, our users and SL matters of interest. Residents with

stamp terminals are able to publish details of their events or make other announcements about those locations, free of charge. The Gazette also hosts an Online Travel Guide, which lists all current stamp-issuing locations. The sidebar (the column to the side of the articles) contains SLURLs to all our locations, embassies and post offices and other useful information.

15. **What are your passport stamps and how do I get one?** If you have an interesting non-commercial location anywhere in SL, you can apply for a terminal that will stamp the passports of your visitors. If your commercial location has a “not-for-profit” public area (e.g. a café, exhibition hall or park) you can have a stamp terminal there, but we won’t supply them to “for-profit” locations. We have nothing against commerce or profit. It’s just that shops and other SL businesses already have many ways of promoting themselves so we chose to focus on tourism.
16. **Do I need the skills to design my own passport stamp?** You are welcome to make your own stamp if you want to, provided it meets our design criteria. However, most stamps are made free-of-charge by our talented design team. Just tell them what kind of thing you’d like and they’ll make it for you.
17. **What other services do you provide?** We also run the “Parade of Homes,” which publishes the locations of SL homes and other resident-owned places of interest whose owners welcome visitors. It’s a great way to get interior design and gardening ideas for your own homes. The PoH directory is at <https://robertrhodan.de/index-PoH.html>. PoH also publishes “The Parade of Homes Review” with occasional articles on homes & gardens. The PoHR is at [https://lastditch.typepad.com/belli\\_parade\\_of\\_homes/](https://lastditch.typepad.com/belli_parade_of_homes/). Sometimes we publish videos too. For example [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RUpt8eFI-\\_c](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RUpt8eFI-_c). We also run a postal service from our Post Offices around the Grid. We have a photo studio at our HQ which is set up for you to take your passport photos against a suitable background.
18. **What is the point of your Post Offices?** They do nothing you couldn’t achieve by sending out notecards and objects using SL’s messaging tools. Like our bureaucratic documents, they’re just designed to make SL more fun. You can send out objects, postcards, greeting cards and letters from our Post Offices. If

people have our home postboxes, they'll receive them there. If not, they'll have to go to a Post Office to pick them up.

19. **How do I find places that issue stamps?** The Gazette, announces any new locations each week and publishes the GOTG (see above). In-world, you can pick up the StaFI (Stamp Finder HUD) at our HQ or view the same content online at <https://robertrhodan.de/index-aTAU.html>.
20. **What else can I find at BBB HQ?** Our HQ is a community resource and you are welcome to visit and hang out in our beautiful gardens. There are rez zones for vehicles and boats nearby. You can also find group gifts and the home addressing system for Bellisseria designed by our Chief Scriptor. The Lindens liked that system so much that they incorporated it in later Linden Homes.
21. **Do you organise events?** It's not our primary purpose but we sometimes do. For example, we usually take part in the SL Birthday events (e.g. SL19B <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uQ3mYwmgBu8>). We organised our own birthday celebrations (BBB2B <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eD64DfgRzLQ>). We had a stand at NaturCon 2022. We also co-organised with Drivers of Second Life (DoSL) a rally to collect "secret" stamps that do not feature in our published stamp locations. Finally we've supported other tours that involved collecting our passport stamps (e.g. Viking Longboat tour <https://youtu.be/7F9dNUelwzM> or Mt. Champion Forest Exploration <https://youtu.be/vJXiCFIXqTc>)

**USEFUL LINKS AND OTHER RESOURCES:**

THE GAZETTE (every Saturday at 00.01 SLT)

<https://tinyurl.com/BBBGazetteOfficial>

THE GAZETTE ONLINE TRAVEL GUIDE

<https://tinyurl.com/BBBGOTG>

BBB/CPCB OFFICES, EMBASSIES & POST OFFICES

<https://tinyurl.com/BBBPlaces>

BBB ON FACEBOOK

<https://tinyurl.com/BBBonFB>

BBB FLICKR GROUP

<https://tinyurl.com/BBBonFlickr>

PARADE OF HOMES REVIEW

<https://tinyurl.com/BPoHomes>

SAMPLE PASSPORT PAGES

<https://gyazo.com/e38de8ee2830acb190a3f7abd4945131>

<https://gyazo.com/215d7bf3129a44e52ccd884c6b612321>

<https://gyazo.com/fb5dbf6ce108c8c6cfddbcfaefdefdc7>

BBB MOVIE

<https://tinyurl.com/BBBTheMovie>

VIDEO TOUR OF BBB HQ

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YDQk3aZqOg8>

BBB2B Movie

<https://youtu.be/eD64DfgRzLQ>