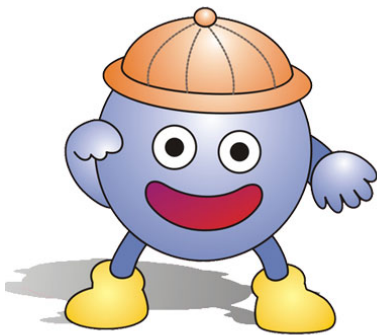




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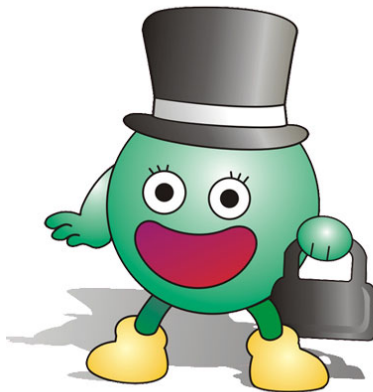
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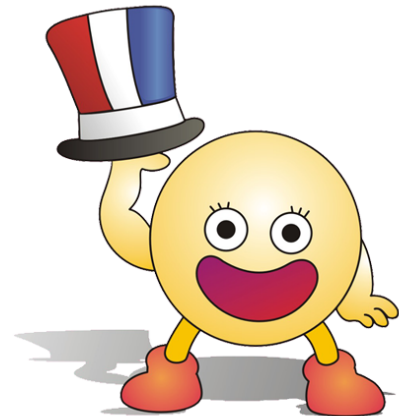
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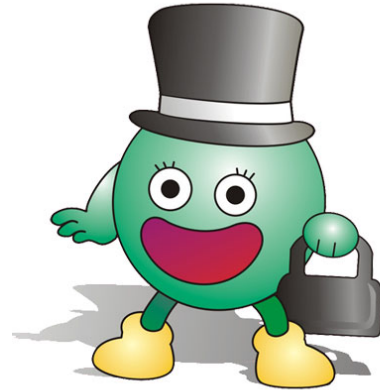


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IMMEDIATE INFORMATIONAL RELEASES:

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Graduates of a U.S. Master's or higher
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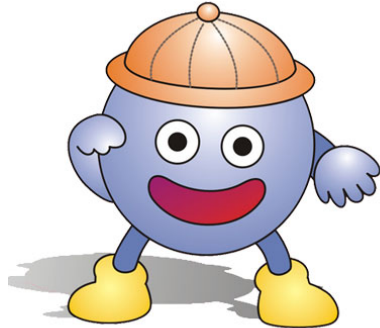


REGULATION IMPLEMENTING THE 20,000 FISCAL 2005 H-1B NUMBERS HAS BEEN PUBLISHED

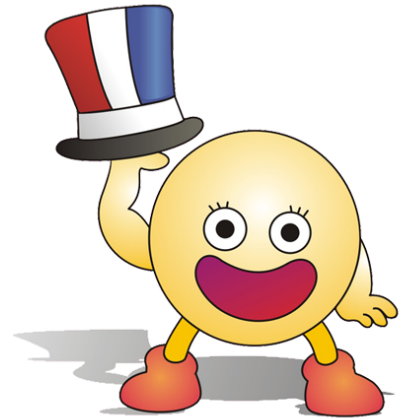
[SOURCE: AMERICAN IMMIGRATION LAWYERS ASSOCIATION \(AILA\)](#)

Under the regulation published May 5, 2005, with an effective date five days later (May 12, 2005), only graduates of U.S. master's or higher programs will be eligible for the new 20,000 Fiscal 2005 H1B numbers.

All filings must be to a special address at the Vermont Service Center. A special selection process is delineated if USCIS receives more than 20,000 requests. A mechanism for converting petitions filed for a fiscal 2006 to a fiscal 2005 number is provided.



**Immis say: GOOD NEWS
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Classifications!!!!**

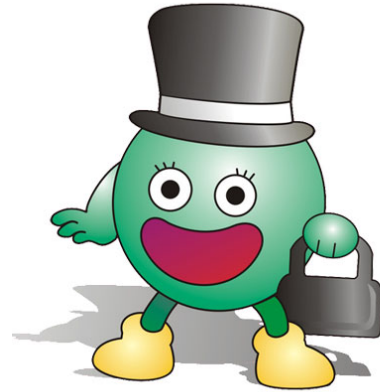


**DHS AMENDS PETITIONING REQUIREMENTS FOR O AND P
NONIMMIGRANT CLASSIFICATIONS**

SOURCE: AMERICAN IMMIGRATION LAWYERS ASSOCIATION (AILA)

In a proposed rule recently published, DHS amends the petitioning requirements for O and P nonimmigrant classifications, allowing an O or P petitioner to file a Form I-129 up to one year, but not earlier than 6 months, before the date of the petitioner's need for the alien's services. Comments are due June 27, 2005 (70 FR 21983, 4/28/05).

Immi says: In the near future, all U.S. citizens will need passports to re-enter the U.S.!!!!!!



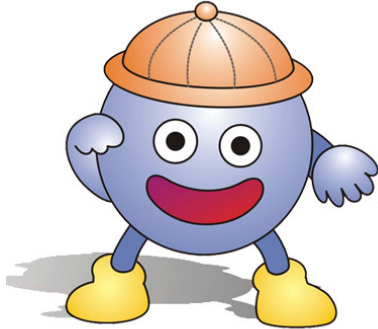
DOS ANNOUNCES PLANS TO REQUIRE PASSPORTS FOR WESTERN HEMISPHERE TRAVEL

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On April 5, 2005, DOS issued a press release stating that by January 1, 2008, the Western Hemisphere Travel Initiative will require all U.S. citizens, Canadians, citizens of the British Overseas Territory of Bermuda, and citizens of Mexico to have a passport or other accepted secure document to enter or re-enter the United States.

It appears that the BCC and other DHS-issued cards will be acceptable.

QUICK INFORMATIONAL BYTES:

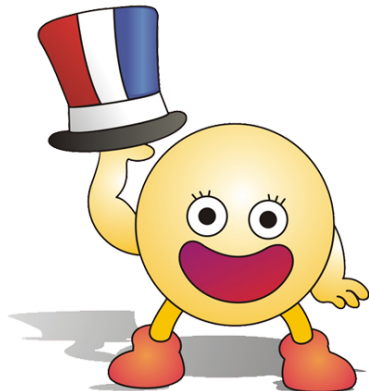
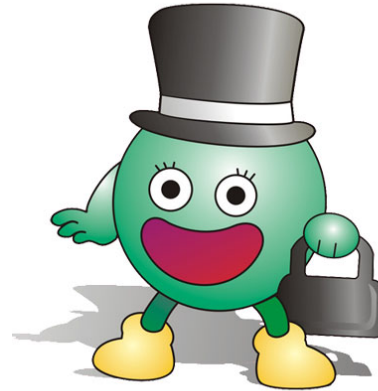


Immi, Jr. says: F-1s who remain in the U.S. during the summer must remember that they still can't accept employment off campus unless it is part of CPT or OPT.

SOURCE: TERRENCE L. OLSEN, ESQ., OLSEN LAW FIRM

Immi says: Remember, you must renew your green card every ten years.

SOURCE: TERRENCE L. OLSEN, ESQ., OLSEN LAW FIRM



Citizen Immi says: A DUI offense could stop you from becoming a naturalized citizen of the U.S.

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IMPORTANT IMMIGRATION RELATED WEB SITES:

<http://uscis.gov/graphics/index.htm>

- US Citizenship and Immigration Services Web Link

<http://www.dol.gov/>

- Dept. of Labor Web Link

<http://www.state.gov/>

- Dept. of State Web Link

<http://www.embassy.org/>

- Embassies in Washington D.C. Web Link

<http://www.aviso.net/government/embassies/>

- Embassies Located Inside and Outside U.S. Web Link

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