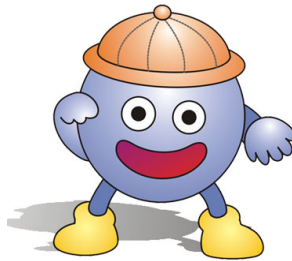




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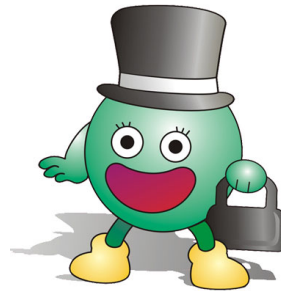
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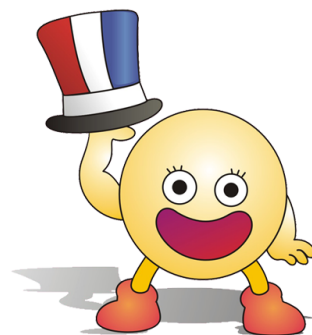
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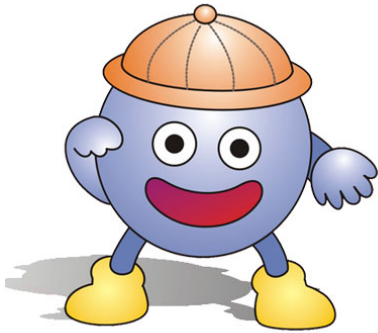
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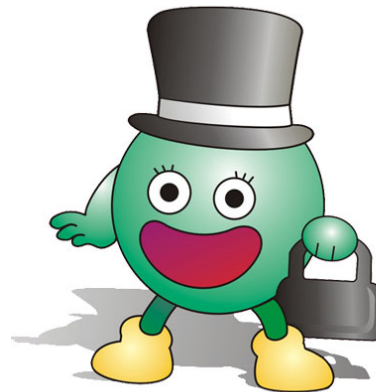
Immi, Jr. says: Visa Waiver Program Travelers, don't leave the country without your visa or machine-readable passport!!!!

DHS AND DOS ADVISE THAT ALL VWP TRAVELERS TO THE U.S. MUST POSSESS MACHINE READABLE PASSPORTS AS OF 6/26/05

SOURCE: AMERICAN IMMIGRATION LAWYERS ASSOCIATION (AILA)

The Departments of Homeland Security and State advise that, beginning on 6/26/05, all Visa Waiver Program travelers without visas must possess machine-readable passports to be admissible to the United States. Substantial fines will be imposed on carriers found to be in violation.

Immi says: DON'T WORRY!!! H-1B Petitioners. There are now more H1Bs available to foreign workers who have at least a master's level degree from a U.S. academic institution.



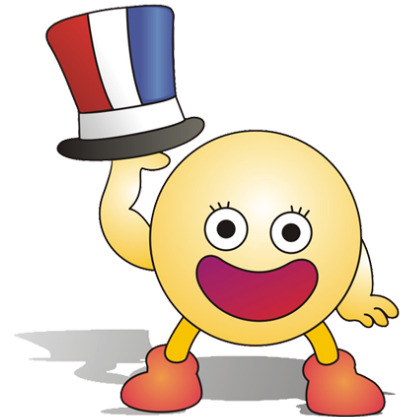
USCIS PROVIDES INFORMATION ON USAGE OF FY 2005 H-1B EXEMPTION NUMBERS

SOURCE: AMERICAN IMMIGRATION LAWYERS ASSOCIATION (AILA)

The H-1B Visa Reform Act of 2004 made available 20,000 new H-1B visas, only for foreign workers with a minimum master's level degree from a U.S. academic institution, in addition to the Congressionally mandated annual cap of 65,000 H-1B visas.

As of May 20, 2005, the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) has received more than 6,393 H-1B petitions of the 20,000 available through the H-1 B Visa Reform Act of 2004.

Citizen Immi says: Send your I-90 straight to Los Angeles!!!!



USCIS UPDATES ON NEW “GREEN CARD” FILING PROCEDURE & CERTAIN ASC APPOINTMENT NOTICES

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

Starting May 31, 2005 aliens must mail applications to renew or replace Permanent Resident Cards directly to the Los Angeles Lockbox. Aliens filing a Form I-90, regardless of their state of residence, must mail those applications with an application fee of \$185 and a biometrics fee of \$70 to one of the following addresses:

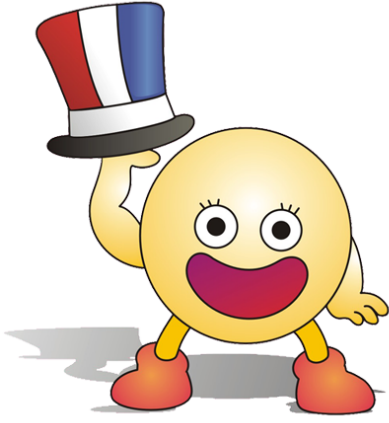
For U.S. Postal Service (USPS) deliveries:

U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services
P.O. Box 54870
Los Angeles, CA 90054-0870

Or for non-USPS deliveries (e.g. private couriers):

U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services
Attention: I-90
16420 Valley View Avenue
La Mirada, CA 90638

Applicants should NOT include their initial evidence and supporting documentation when submitting the Form I-90 to the Los Angeles Lockbox. All applicants will receive a notice for a biometrics processing appointment at an Application Support Center (ASC) and will submit their initial evidence during that appointment. All applicants will receive their biometrics appointment notice in the mail.



Immis say: Eventually all applicants will be going to the ASCs for both 10-print and index fingerprints, signatures, and photos before an I-485 case is approved. Also, children under the age of 14 will go to the ASCs for biometric photo capture only.



UPDATE ON APPROVED I-485 AND ASC APPOINTMENT NOTICES

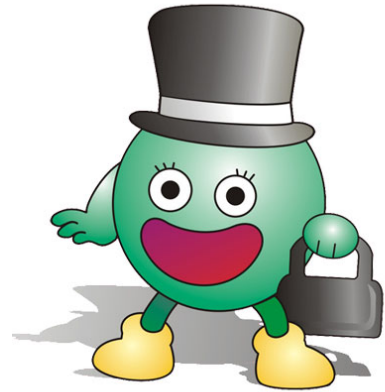
SOURCE: AMERICAN IMMIGRATION LAWYERS ASSOCIATION (AILA)

The USCIS Service Center Operations team has provided guidance regarding the fingerprint appointment notices that members and their clients are receiving from Service Centers in

(1) Cases for which fingerprints were taken some time ago. In many instances the fingerprints are still valid, but at the time of the fingerprint taking, USCIS did not capture the photo, signature, and index fingerprint. Upon approval of the I-485, the USCIS requests that applicants appear at an ASC for biometrics capture. In this instance, it's likely to be for a photo, signature, and index fingerprint only. Dependents under 14 years of age will be asked to appear at an ASC for biometric photo capture purposes only.

(2) Newly filed I-485s and I-485s with print query results that are 15 months old or older. These applicants are scheduled for the entire set of biometrics, including 10 prints, index print, photo, and signature. Dependents over 14 years of age will be scheduled for the entire set of biometrics capture. Dependents under 14 years of age will be asked to appear at an ASC only for biometric photo capture purposes. Upon approval of the I-485 at the Service Center, the adjudicator initiates card production, without recourse to ADIT processing at a district office.

Immi says: Oversubscription of Employment-based categories may result in cut-off dates, retrogression of already established dates, or some categories becoming “unavailable.”

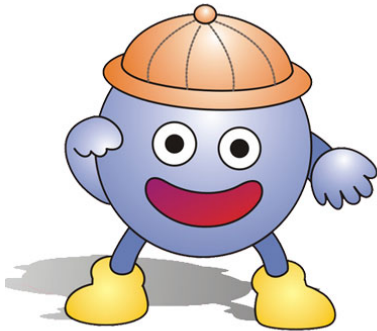


VISA BULLETIN FOR JUNE 2005: RETROGRESSIONS AND UNAVAILABILITY IN CERTAIN EMPLOYMENT-BASED CATEGORIES PREDICTED

SOURCE: DEPARTMENT OF STATE VISA BULLETIN

During the past month there has been a significant increase in the amount of numbers being used by Citizenship and Immigration Service (CIS) offices for adjustment of status applicants. This level of demand has significantly depleted the supply of Employment-based numbers available under the annual limit. Recent discussions with CIS have made it clear that their backlog reduction efforts will sustain or increase the current level of demand. Therefore, continued visa availability in the Employment-based categories cannot be guaranteed during the final quarter of FY-2005. If demand continues at the current rate, it will be necessary to oversubscribe many or all of the Employment categories on a worldwide basis.

QUICK INFORMATION BYTES

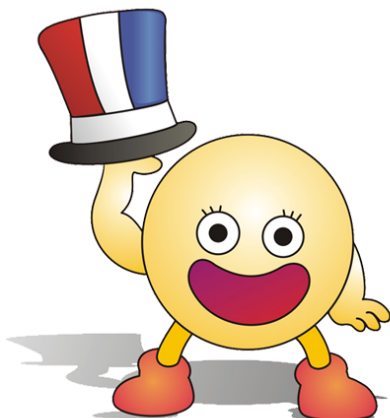
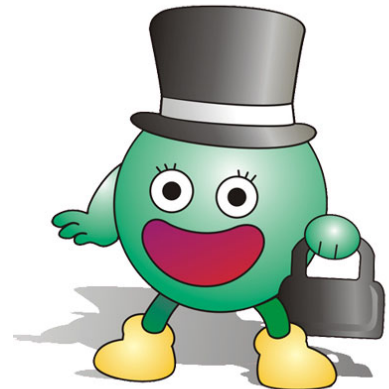


Immi, Jr. says: Remember, to travel during OPT you must have a valid F-1 visa!!!!!!

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

Immi says: Lately for the processing of I-130 Forms, the CIS Texas Service Center is sending the I-130 Forms to the CIS California Service Center for quicker processing.

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Citizen Immi says: When taking the citizenship test, you may be asked five to ten questions regarding U.S. history, either orally or by written exam.

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QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Explanation: If you have questions concerning immigration related issues or concerns and are of a non-advice and pure general interest nature, please e-mail them to tolsen@tlolaw.com.

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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