

Form I-485 Table of Changes
Instructions Only
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<p>P 4.</p> <p>7. Medical examination When required, submit a medical examination report on the form you have obtained from USCIS.</p> <p>A. Individuals applying for adjustment of status through a USCIS Service Center</p> <p>i. General: If you are filing your Form I-485 with a USCIS Service Center, include your medical examination report with the application, unless you are a refugee.</p> <p>ii. Refugees: If you are applying for adjustment of status one year after you were admitted as a refugee, you only need to submit a vaccination supplement with your Form I-485, not the entire medical report, unless there were medical grounds of inadmissibility that arose during the initial examination that you had overseas.</p>	<p>7. Medical examination When required, submit a medical examination report on Form I-693, Report of Medical Examination and Vaccination Record.</p> <p>Individuals applying for adjustment of status :</p> <p>A. General: When filing your Form I-485, include your medical examination report with the application, unless you are a refugee.</p> <p>B. Refugees: If you are applying for adjustment of status one year after you were admitted as a refugee, you only need to submit the vaccination portion of Form I-693 (pages 1,3, and 5) with your Form I-485, not the entire medical report, unless you had a Class A condition noted on your overseas medical exam.</p>
<p>B. Individuals applying for adjustment of status through a local USCIS office</p> <p>If you are filing your Form I-485 with a local USCIS office, include your medical examination report with the application.</p>	<p>(Deleted this section- See above)</p>
<p>P. 5</p> <p>Where Should You File Form I-485? Updated Filing Address Information The filing addresses provided on this form reflect the most current information as of the date this form was last printed. If you are filing Form I-485 more than 30 days after the latest edition date shown in the lower right corner, please visit our Web site at www.uscis.gov before you file, and check the Forms and Fees page to confirm the correct filing address and version currently in use. Check the edition date located at the lower right corner of the form. If the edition date on your Form I-485 matches the edition date listed for Form I-485 on the online Forms and fee page, your version is current. If the edition date on the online version is later, download a copy and use the</p>	<p>Where Should You File Form I-485? Updated Filing Address Information</p> <p>The filing addresses provided on this form reflect the most current information as of the date this form was last printed. If you are filing Form I-485 more than 30 days after the latest edition date shown in the lower right corner, please visit our Web site at www.uscis.gov before you file, and check the Forms page to confirm the correct filing address and version currently in use. Check the edition date located at the lower right corner of the form. If the edition date on your Form I-485 matches the edition date listed for Form I-485 on the online Forms page, your version is current. If the edition date on the online version is more recent, download a copy and use it. If you do not have Internet access, call the National Customer Service Center at 1-800-375-5283 to verify the current filing address and edition date. Improperly filed forms will</p>

online version. If you do not have Internet access, call the National Customer Service Center at **1-800-375-5283** to verify the current filing address and edition date. **Improperly filed forms will be rejected, and the fee returned with instructions to resubmit the entire filing using the current form instructions.**

Form I-485 USCIS Lockbox Filing Address for Local Office Filings:

If you are applying for adjustment of status under one of the eligibility categories listed below, file your Form I-485 with the USCIS Lockbox Facility.

1. Spouse, parent, unmarried son/daughter under age 21 of a U.S. citizen with an approved or concurrently filed Form I-130;
2. Beneficiary of an approved Form I-130 filed by a qualifying relative;
3. Qualifying derivative, family-based beneficiary;
4. K-1 Fiancé(e) (and K-2 dependents) whose Form I-485 is based on an approved Form I-129F;
5. Applicants who are beneficiaries of an approved Form I-360, Petition for Amerasian, Widow(er), or Special Immigrant, as a battered spouse or child;
6. Applicants eligible under the Cuban Adjustment Act of November 2, 1965.
7. Diversity lottery winner eligible to file Form I-485;
8. Public Interest Parolees from certain former Soviet and Southeast Asian countries filing Form I-485 under Public Law 101-167 (the "Lautenberg Amendment");
9. Registry applicant filing Form I-485 based on

rejected, and the fee returned with instructions to resubmit the entire filing using the current form instructions.

Please read the following instructions carefully to ensure you file your application at the correct location.

If you are filing because:

1. You are applying for adjustment of status under one of the eligibility categories listed below, file your Form I-485 with the USCIS Chicago Lockbox facility. See "USCIS Chicago Lockbox Addresses" on Page 6 of the instructions.

You **must** include a copy of the Form I-797C Notice of Action, of an approved Form I-130, Petition for Alien Relative, or Form I-360, Petition for Amerasian, Widow(er), or Special Immigrant, or other official document reflecting a current priority date and family preference, or file your application concurrently with a Form I-130 or Form I-360 as appropriate.

NOTE: Read the Visa Bulletin "Family-Sponsored Preferences" at www.travel.state.gov to ensure your priority date is current before you file your application.

A. Spouse, parent, unmarried son/daughter under age 21 of a U.S. citizen with an approved or concurrently filed Form I-130 (Part 2, Box "a" on the form);

B. Beneficiary of an approved Form I-130 filed by a qualifying relative (Part 2, Box "a" on the form);

C. Spouse or child of an immigrant who has applied for adjustment of status or has been granted Lawful Permanent Residence through a Family-Sponsored Visa category that allows derivative status for spouses and children (Part 2, Box "b" on the form);

D. K-1 Fiancé(e) (and K-2 dependents) whose Form I-485 is based on an approved Form I-129F, Petition for Alien Fiancé(e), (Part 2, Box "c" on the form);

E. Applicants eligible under the Cuban Adjustment Act of November 2, 1965 (Part 2, Box "e," "f," "i" and "j")

<p>birth in the United States to a foreign diplomatic officer;</p> <p>10. Former diplomat filing Form I-485 under Section 13 of the Immigration and Nationality Act;</p> <p>11. Registry applicant filing Form I-485 based on continuous residence in the U.S. since before January 1, 1972, or</p> <p>12. Applicants who are beneficiaries of Private Bills;</p> <p>USCIS Lockbox Addresses:</p> <p>For U.S. Postal Service (USPS) deliveries:</p> <p>USCIS P.O. Box 805887 Chicago, IL 60680-4120</p> <p>For courier/express deliveries:</p> <p>USCIS Attn: AOS 131 South Dearborn - 3rd Floor Chicago, IL 60603-5520</p> <p>P. 6 Form I-485 Service Center Filing Addresses: 1. Form I-485 is based on an underlying Form I-140, Immigrant Petition for Alien Worker:</p> <p>Form I-485 filed based on a concurrently filed, pending, or approved Form I-140 must be filed with the Nebraska Service Center or the Texas Service Center, depending on where you live. If you wish to concurrently file your Form I-485 and Form I-140, an immigrant visa number must be immediately available at the time of filing.</p> <p>NOTE: To facilitate acceptance and processing of Form I-485 when Form I-140 has already been approved, submit a copy of the Form I-140 approval notice. If Form I-140 is pending, submit copies of the Form I-140 receipt notice and the</p>	<p>the form);</p> <p>F. Registry applicant filing Form I-485 based on continuous residence in the U.S. since before January 1, 1972 (Part 2, Box “g” on form);</p> <p>G. Diversity lottery winner eligible to file Form I-485 (Part 2, Box “h” on the form. Write “Diversity Visa Lottery Winner. Copy of lottery letter attached” on the line below the box);</p> <p>H. Public Interest Parolees from certain former Soviet and Southeast Asian countries filing Form I-485 under Public Law 101-167 (the "Lautenberg Amendment") (Part 2, Box “h” on the form. Write “Public Interest Parolee” on the line beneath the box);</p> <p>I. Registry applicant filing Form I-485 based on birth in the United States to a foreign diplomatic officer (Part 2, Box “h” on the form; Write “Registry applicant” on the line beneath the box.);</p> <p>J. Former diplomat filing Form I-485 under Section 13 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (Part 2, Box “h” on the form. Write “Former diplomat, INA Section 13” on the line beneath the box); or</p> <p>K. Applicants who are beneficiaries of Private Bills (Part 2, Box “h” on the form. Write “Private Bill Beneficiary” on the line beneath the box.)</p> <p>USCIS Chicago Lockbox</p> <p>For U.S. Postal Service (USPS) deliveries:</p> <p>USCIS P.O. Box 805887 Chicago, IL 60680-4120</p> <p>For Express mail and courier deliveries:</p> <p>USCIS Attn: FBAS 131 South Dearborn - 3rd Floor Chicago, IL 60603-5520</p>
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page of the DOL labor certification showing the priority date (if labor certification is required) or just a copy of the Form I-140 receipt notice (but only if a labor certification is not required).

If you live in the following states: Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Guam, Hawaii, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, North Dakota, Ohio, Oregon, South Dakota, Utah, Washington, Wisconsin, or Wyoming, the mailing address you must use is:

**USCIS
Nebraska Service Center
P. O. Box 87485
Lincoln, NE 68501-7485**

If you live in the following states: Alabama, Arkansas, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Mississippi, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, South Carolina, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Puerto Rico, Rhode Island, Tennessee, Texas, Vermont, Virginia, U.S. Virgin Islands, West Virginia, or Washington, DC, the mailing address you must use is:

**USCIS
Texas Service Center
P. O. Box 851804
Mesquite, TX 75185-1804**

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2. Form I-485 is based on an underlying Form I-360, Petition for Amerasian, Widow(er), or Special Immigrant:**

A. Filing Address for International Organization Employee or Family Member:

Form I-485 based on a concurrently filed, pending, or approved Form I-360 for International Organization Employee or eligible family member must be filed with the Nebraska Service Center

2. You are:

A. The beneficiary of an approved Form I-360 based on the eligibility category “Battered Spouse/Child and you are filing for adjustment of status. If you are filing as a battered or abused spouse or child and you are filing Form I-485 (Part 2, Box “h” on the form), file it with any associated forms with the **USCIS Vermont Service Center.**

B. A T or U-based nonimmigrant filing Form I-485. your application at the **USCIS Vermont Service Center.** Please read Form I-485 Supplement E, for additional guidance on filing.

If you are a T or U-based nonimmigrant, you must include a copy of your Form I-797C, Notice of Action, for approval of your T or U nonimmigrant status., in addition to a copy of your Form I-94, Arrival-Departure Record and a copy of all pages of your passport with a T or U nonimmigrant visa (or explanation why you do not have a passport).

**USCIS – Vermont Service Center
Attn: CRU
75 Lower Welden Street
St. Albans, VT. 05479-0001**

3. You are filing Form I-485 based on one of the eligibility categories (A-F) below, then file your application at the **USCIS Phoenix or Dallas Lockbox** facility, based on where you are located. See mailing address on **Page 7** of these instructions.

NOTE: If you have an **approved or pending** Form I-360 you **must** include a copy of the Form I-797C which shows that your Form I-360 was accepted.

A. You are filing Form I-485 based on an underlying Form I-360 and you are filing under one of the following classifications:

1. International Organization Employee or Family Member and Religious Workers: Form I-485 based on a concurrently filed, pending, or approved Form I-360 for International Organization Employee or eligible family

(see address below).

B. Filing Address for Afghan and Iraqi Translators:

Form I-485 based on an approved Form I-360 for Afghan and Iraqi Translators must be filed with the Nebraska Service Center (see address below). You cannot concurrently file Forms I-360 and I-485 for this classification.

C. Filing Address for Other Form I-360 Categories:

Form I-485 filed based on an approved Form I-360 for the following classifications **must** be filed with the Nebraska Service Center or the Texas Service Center, depending on where you live.

NOTE: You **cannot** concurrently file Forms I-360 and I-485 for the following classifications:

- i. Religious Worker or Minister;**
- ii. Panama Canal Company Employment;**
- iii. U.S. Government in Canal Zone Employment;**
- iv. Special Immigrant Physician; or**
- v. International Broadcasters.**

If you live in the following states: Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Guam, Hawaii, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, North Dakota, Ohio, Oregon, South Dakota, Utah, Washington, Wisconsin, or Wyoming, send your application to the Nebraska Service Center:

**USCIS
Nebraska Service Center
P.O. Box 87485
Lincoln, NE 68501-7485**

member or a religious worker. (Part 2, Box “h” on the form. Write “International Organization Employee” or “Religious Worker” on the line beneath the box.)

2. Other Form I-360 Categories: Form I-485 filed based on an **approved** Form I-360 for the following classifications (**NOTE:** You **cannot** concurrently file Forms I-360 and I-485 for the four classifications below)

- a. Panama Canal Company Employment;**
- b. U.S. Government in Canal Zone Employment;**
- c. Special Immigrant Physician; or**
- d. International Broadcasters.**

(Part 2, Box “h” on the form. Write “Approved I-360 Copy of Approval Notice attached,” on the line beneath the box.)

B. You are filing your Form I-485 based on Asylum status. (Part 2, Box “d” on the form)

C. You are filing your Form I-485 based on Refugee status (Part 2, Box “h” on the form. Write “Refugee” on the line beneath the box);

D. You are filing your Form I-485 as a HRIFA Dependent: Only the spouse and children of the principal granted legal status under HRIFA are eligible to apply for benefits under HRIFA. The filing period for principal HRIFA applicants has closed (Part 2, Box “h” on the form). Write “HRIFA” on the line beneath the box);

E. You are filing your Form I-485 based on a pending or approved Form I-140: If you are filing Form I-485 based on a **pending or approved** Form I-140, you **must** include a copy of the Form I-797C showing that your Form I-140 was accepted. (Part 2, Box “a” or “b” on the form)

If your Form I-140 is **pending**, you **must** submit a copy of the Department of Labor (DOL) certification (ETA 7500/ETA 9089) showing the priority date (if labor certification is required).

If you live in the following states: Alabama, Arkansas, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Mississippi, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, South Carolina, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Puerto Rico, Rhode Island, Tennessee, Texas, Vermont, Virginia, U.S. Virgin Islands, West Virginia, or Washington, DC, send your application to the Texas Service Center:

USCIS
Texas Service Center
P.O. Box 851804
Mesquite, TX 75185-1804

3. Form I-485 is based on an underlying Form I-526, Immigrant Petition by Alien Entrepreneur:

NOTE: You **cannot** concurrently file Forms I-526 and I-485.

Regardless of your address or the location of the new commercial enterprise, file Form I-485 based on an approved Form I-526 to:

USCIS
California Service Center
P.O. Box 10526
Laguna Niguel, CA 92607-0526

4. Form I-485 is based on Asylum status:

Form I-485 based on asylum status must be filed with the Nebraska Service Center or the Texas Service Center, depending on where the applicant lives. If you are filing Form I-131, Application for Travel Document, to enable you to travel outside the United States while your adjustment-of-status application is pending, you should indicate that you are requesting a refugee travel document. The relating Form I-131 for a Refugee Travel document is filed with the Nebraska Service Center, regardless of the Form I-485 filing location.

NOTE: Read the Visa Bulletin “Employment-Based Preferences” at www.travel.state.gov to ensure your priority date is current before you file your application.

Form I-485 and Form I-140, Immigrant Petition for Alien Worker **may not be filed** concurrently at a USCIS Lockbox at this time. Refer to the filing instructions on the Form I-140 if you want to file the forms concurrently.

F. You are filing your Form I-485 based on an approved Form I-526, Immigrant Petition by Alien Entrepreneur (Part 2, Box “a” on the form). You **must** include a copy of the Form I-797C which shows that your Form I-526 was approved.

(NOTE: You **cannot** file Forms I-526 and I-485 concurrently.)

USCIS Phoenix or Dallas lockbox Address	
If you live in:	Mail your application to the:
Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Guam, Hawaii, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, North Dakota, Ohio, Oregon, South Dakota, Utah, Washington, Wisconsin, or Wyoming:	<p>USCIS Phoenix Lockbox</p> <p>For U.S. Postal Service (USPS) deliveries:</p> <p>USCIS PO Box 21281 Phoenix, AZ 85036</p> <p>For Express mail and courier deliveries:</p> <p>USCIS Attn: AOS 1820 E. Skyharbor Circle S Suite 100 Phoenix, AZ 85034</p>
Alabama, Arkansas, Connecticut, Delaware, the District of	<p>USCIS Dallas Lockbox.</p> <p>For U.S. Postal Service (USPS) deliveries:</p>

<p>If you live in the following states: Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Guam, Hawaii, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, North Dakota, Ohio, Oregon, South Dakota, Utah, Washington, Wisconsin, or Wyoming, the mailing address you must use is:</p> <p>USCIS Nebraska Service Center P.O. Box 87485 Lincoln, NE 68501-7485</p> <p>Form I-485 Instructions (Rev. 12/16/08)Y Page 7</p> <p>If you live in the following states: Alabama, Arkansas, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Mississippi, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, South Carolina, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Puerto Rico, Rhode Island, Tennessee, Texas, Vermont, Virginia, U.S. Virgin Islands, West Virginia, or Washington, DC, send your application to the Texas Service Center:</p> <p>USCIS Texas Service Center P.O. Box 852211 Mesquite, TX 75185-2211</p> <p>P. 8</p> <p>5. Form I-485 is based on Refugee status:</p> <p>Form I-485 based on refugee status must be filed with the Nebraska Service Center:</p> <p>USCIS Nebraska Service Center P.O. Box 87209 Lincoln, NE 68501-7209</p> <p>6. Form I-485 is based on a HRIFA Dependent:</p>	<p>Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Mississippi, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Puerto Rico, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Vermont, Virginia, U.S. Virgin Islands, West Virginia</p>	<p>USCIS PO Box 660867 Dallas, TX 75266</p> <p>For Express mail and courier deliveries:</p> <p>USCIS Attn: AOS 2501 S State Hwy. 121, Business Suite 400 Lewisville, TX 75067</p>
<p>E-Notification:</p> <p>If you are filing your Form I-485 at one of the USCIS Lockbox facilities, you may elect to receive an email and/or text message notifying you that your application has been accepted. You must complete Form G-1145, E-Notification of Application/Petition Acceptance, and attach it to the first page of your application. To download a copy of Form G-1145, including the instructions, click on the link www.uscis.gov "FORMS."</p> <p>4. If you are filing your Form I-485 as an Afghan or Iraqi Translator. If you are filing Form I-485 based on an <u>approved</u> Form I-360 for Afghan or Iraqi Translators, you must file your Form I-485 with the USCIS Nebraska Service Center.</p> <p>USCIS-Nebraska Service Center P.O. Box 87485 Lincoln, NE 68501-7485</p>		

<p>Only the spouse and children of the principal granted legal status under HRIFA are eligible to apply for benefits under HRIFA. The filing period for principal HRIFA applicants has closed. Form I-485 for HRIFA dependents must be filed at the Nebraska Service Center.</p> <p>USCIS Nebraska Service Center P.O. Box 87245 Lincoln, NE 68501-7245</p> <p><u>Questions Regarding Form I-485</u></p> <p>For additional information about Form I-485, including how to file your application or filing locations not mentioned, call the USCIS National Customer Service Center at 1-800-375-5283 or visit our website at www.uscis.gov.</p>	<p>You must include a copy of the Form I-797C, Notice of Action, showing that your Form I-360 was approved.</p> <p>NOTE: You cannot concurrently file Forms I-360 and 485 for this classification.</p> <p><u>Questions Regarding Form I-485</u></p> <p>For additional information about Form I-485, including how to file your application or filing locations not mentioned, call the USCIS National Customer Service Center at 1-800-375-5283 or visit our Web site at www.uscis.gov.</p>
<p>P.5</p> <p>15. Evidence of eligibility</p> <p>B. Based on admission as a K-1 fiance(e) of a U.S. citizen and subsequent marriage to that citizen</p> <p>Attach a copy of the fiance(e) petition approval notice, a copy of you marriage certificate, and your Form I-94.</p>	<p>12. Evidence of eligibility</p> <p>B. Based on admission as a K-1 fiancé(e) of a U.S. citizen and subsequent marriage to that citizen</p> <p>Attach a copy of the fiancé(e) petition approval notice, copy of you marriage certificate, and your Form I-94, Arrival/Departure Document.</p>
<p>P 4 and 5</p> <p>Numbers 13 through 18</p>	<p>Correct number sequence –</p> <p>Should be Numbers 10 through 15</p>
<p>How to Check if Fees are Correct</p> <p>1. Visit our Internet Website at www.uscis.gov, select “Immigration Forms,”</p>	<p>How to Check if Fees are Correct</p> <p>1. Visit our Internet Website at www.uscis.gov, select “FORMS,”</p>
<p>P.9 Address Change</p> <p>If you change your address and you have an application or petition pending with USCIS, you may change your address on line at www.uscis.gov, click on "Change your address with USCIS," and</p>	<p>If you change your address and you have an application or petition pending with USCIS, you may change your address on line at www.uscis.gov, click on "Change of Address," and</p>

<p>P. 9 Processing Information</p> <p>Any application that is not signed or is not accompanied by the correct application fee will be rejected with a notice that the application is deficient. You may correct the deficiency and resubmit the application. An application is not considered properly filed until accepted by USCIS.</p>	<p>You must have a U.S. address to file this form.</p> <p>Any application that is not signed or is not accompanied by the correct application fee will be rejected with a notice that the application is deficient. You may correct the deficiency and resubmit the application. An application is not considered properly filed until accepted by USCIS.</p>
<p>Page 11</p> <p>Paperwork Reduction Act</p> <p>An agency . . . Management Division, 111 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W., 3rd Floor, Suite 3008, Washington, DC 20529-2210; OMB No. 1615-0023. Do not mail your application to this address.</p>	<p>An agency . . . Products Division, 111 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W., 3rd Floor, Suite 3008, Washington, DC 20529-2210; OMB No. 1615-0023. Do not mail your application to this address.</p>