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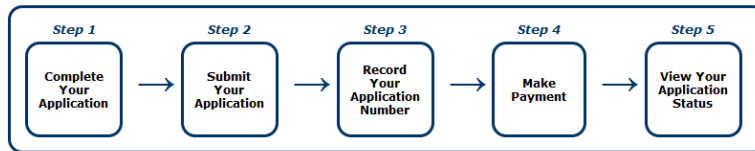| English | Čeština | 中文 | Dansk | Deutsch |
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Welcome to the Electronic System for Travel Authorization

NEWS

- The ESTA website will be down for scheduled maintenance from May 11, 2012 1:00:00 PM EDT to May 11, 2012 2:00:00 PM EDT. You will not be able to submit an application during this time.

International travelers who are seeking to travel to the United States under the Visa Waiver Program (VWP) are now subject to enhanced security requirements and will be required to pay an administrative fee. All eligible travelers who wish to travel to the U.S. under the Visa Waiver Program must apply for authorization and then pay the fee using the following process:

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Please refer to the **Help** link at the top of each Web page if you have questions.

Before you begin this application, make sure that you have a valid passport and credit card available. This application will only accept the following credit cards: MasterCard, VISA, American Express, and Discover (JCB, Diners Club).

Apply for a New Authorization to Travel to the United States for Individuals or Groups

Select this option if:

- You are a citizen or eligible national of a Visa Waiver Program country.
- You are currently not in possession of a visitor's visa.
- Your travel is for 90 days or less.
- You plan to travel to the United States for business or pleasure.
- You want to apply for a new authorization for one person or a group of applications for two or more persons.

Who is eligible for the Visa Waiver Program?

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Retrieve Previously Submitted Authorization to Travel to the United States for One or More Persons

Select this option if you have already submitted an application for one or more electronic travel authorizations and you want to perform one of the following to one or more applications:

- Review
- Update Application **What information can I update?**
- Pay
- View ESTA Status
- View Payment Receipt

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Disclaimer

The Electronic System for Travel Authorization performs checks against law enforcement databases. All travelers seeking admission to the United States under the Visa Waiver Program are required to obtain an electronic travel authorization using this system prior to being granted boarding.

If your electronic travel authorization application is approved, it establishes that you are eligible to travel, but does not establish that you are admissible to the United States under the Visa Waiver Program. Upon arrival to the United States, you will be inspected by a U.S. Customs and Border Protection Officer at a port of entry who may determine that you are inadmissible under the Visa Waiver Program or for any reason under United States law.

A determination that you are not eligible for electronic travel authorization does not preclude you from applying for a visa to travel to the United States.

All information provided by you, or on your behalf by a designated third party, must be true and correct. An electronic travel authorization may be revoked at any time and for any reason, such as new information influencing eligibility. You may be subject to administrative or criminal penalties if you knowingly and willfully make a materially false, fictitious, or fraudulent statement or representation in an electronic travel authorization application submitted by you or on your behalf.

WARNING: If upon application for admission to the United States at a port of entry you are admitted under the Visa Waiver Program (VWP) by a US Customs and Border Protection Officer, you may not accept unauthorized employment; or attend school; or represent the foreign information media during your visit under the program. You may not apply for: 1) a change of nonimmigrant status, 2) an extension of stay, or 3) adjustment of status to temporary or permanent resident, unless eligible under section 245(c)(4) of the Immigration and Nationality Act. Violation of these terms will subject you to REMOVAL.

Please indicate you have read and understand the information provided above:

○ **Yes, I have read and understand the information and agree to these terms.**
◉ **No, I need additional clarification or I decline to provide acknowledgement.**

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Travel Promotion Act

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The Travel Promotion Act of 2009

On March 4, 2010, President Obama signed into law the Travel Promotion Act (TPA) of 2009, Pub. L. No. 111-145. The Act directs the Secretary of Homeland Security to establish a fee for the use of the ESTA system, comprised of $10.00 for each VWP applicant receiving authorization to travel to the United States and $4.00 for the processing of the ESTA application. Applicants who are denied authorization to travel to the U.S. under the VWP will only be charged $4.00. The fee may only be paid by credit card. Applicants may save the application data and return to the application at a later date to enter the payment information. However, the application will not be submitted for processing until all payment information is completed.

WARNING: The administrative fee will be collected by credit card. It is crucial that all applicants enter their ESTA and credit card information accurately. If information is entered incorrectly, the applicant may be charged additional fees to reapply. Updates to an application will not accrue additional fees. Applicants who do not complete the payment process will not receive authorization to travel to the United States and will not be allowed to board any aircraft or vessel destined for the United States. If an applicant stops payment of the fee, his or her authorization to travel to the United States will be revoked. CBP is not responsible for additional fees that may be charged by the applicant's credit card company for the transaction. By pressing the "Apply" button in the application process, applicants agree not to dispute any administrative fee charged by CBP for the use of the ESTA system, and further acknowledge that there are no refunds.

Please indicate you have read and understand the information provided above:

○ **Yes, I have read and understand the information and agree to these terms.**
◉ **No, I need additional clarification or I decline to provide acknowledgement.**

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Application

The following information is required of every nonimmigrant visitor not in possession of a visitor's visa who is a national of one of the countries[1] listed in **8 CFR 217.2** . Please enter all information requested. Each member of your traveling party must complete a separate application.

Please provide all responses in English. Mandatory fields are indicated by a red asterisk *.

Applicant Information

Applicant Name * ?   **Family Name**   **First (Given) Name**

In the Family Name field, enter your family name as the family name appears on your passport under the Family Name or Surname field. The family name is required to complete the application.

In the First (Given) Name field, enter your first (given) name as the first name appears on your passport under the First or Given Name field. Do not include the middle name in this field. The first name is required to complete the application. If you have no first name, then enter the letters FNU which stands for First Name Unknown.

Are you known by any other names or aliases? * ?

Indicate whether you are known by any other names or aliases by selecting yes or no. Answering this question is required to complete your application.

○ Yes   ○ No

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Other Names/Aliases * ?

Family Name

First (Given) Name

Enter up to 10 other names or aliases by which you are known if you selected "yes" to the previous question. At least one entry is required to complete the application. For each alias:

In the Family Name field, enter your alternate family name. The family name is required to complete the application.

In the First (Given) Name field, enter your alternate first (given) name. Do not include the middle name in this field. The first name is required to complete the application. If you have no alternate first name, then enter the letters FNU which stands for First Name Unknown.

Birth Date * ?

Day   **Month**   **Year**

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In the Day field, choose the day on which you were born. The day of birth is required to complete the application or to check the status of your application.

In the Month field, choose the month in which you were born. The month of birth is required to complete the application or to check the status of your application.

In the Year field, choose the year in which you were born. The year of birth is required to complete the application and to check the status of your application.

City of Birth * ?

Enter the city, town, village, or hamlet in which you were born. The city, town, village, or hamlet where you were born is required to complete the application. If you do not know the city in which you were born, enter UNKNOWN.

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Country of Birth * ❓   --Please Select ▼

Choose the country in which you were
born. The country where you were born
is required to complete the application.

Gender * ❓   ○ Male   ○ Female

Choose your gender, either male or
female. The gender is required to
complete the application.

Parents * ❓   *Family Name*   *First (Given) Name*

Enter the names of your parents. These
are required to complete the
application. If you do not know the
name of one or both of your parents,
enter UNKNOWN, for each parent. This
field can include the names of your
biological, adoptive, step-parent or
guardian.

In the Family Name field, enter your
parent's family name. The family name
is required to complete the application.
If you do not know one or both of your
parents, enter UNKNOWN.

In the First (Given) Name field, enter
your parent's first (given) name. Do not
include the middle name in this field.
The first name is required to complete
the application. If your parent has no
first name, or if you do not know one or
both of your parents, enter UNKNOWN.

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Passport Information (1 of 3)

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Passport Information

Passport Number *

Enter your passport number as it appears on your passport. The passport number may contain numbers and/or characters. Please closely distinguish between the number zero and the letter O. The passport number is required to complete the application or to check the status of your application.

The passport number may contain numbers and/or characters. Please closely distinguish between the two, such as the numbers zero and one, and the letters O and I.

Passport Issuing Country (Country of Citizenship) *

--Please Select

Choose the country of citizenship, as it appears on your passport. The passport issuing country is required to complete the application.

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Passport Issuance Date * ❓   **Day**   **Month**   **Year**

In the Day field, choose the day on which your passport was issued, as it appears on your passport under the Date of Issue field. The day on which the passport was issued is required to complete the application.

In the Month field, choose the month in which your passport was issued, as it appears on your passport under the Date of Issue field. The month in which the passport was issued is required to complete the application.

In the Year field, choose the year in which your passport was issued, as it appears on your passport under the Date of Issue field. The year in which the passport was issued is required to complete the application.

Passport Expiration Date * ❓   **Day**   **Month**   **Year**

In the Day field, choose the day on which your passport expires, as it appears on your passport under the Expiration Date or Extension field. The day on which the passport expires is required to complete the application.

In the Month field, choose the month in which your passport expires, as it appears on your passport under the Expiration Date or Extension field. The month in which the passport expires is required to complete the application.

In the Year field, choose the year in which your passport expires, as it appears on your passport under the Expiration Date or Extension field. The year in which the passport expires is required to complete the application.

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Country of Citizenship * ❓   --Please Select ▼

Choose the country of citizenship, as it appears on your passport. The passport issuing country is required to complete the application.

National Identification Number * ❓

Enter the number on your identity document, other than a passport, issued by your country. The National Identification Number, if issued to you, is required to complete the application. If you do not have a National Identification Number, enter UNKNOWN.

Are you a citizen of any other country? * ❓

Indicate whether you are a citizen of any other country. Answering this question is required to complete your application.

○ Yes   ○ No

Other Citizenship * ❓   *Country*   *Passport Number*

In the Country field, choose the country of your other citizenship(s). If you answered yes above, the country is required to complete your application.

--Please Select ▼
--Please Select ▼
--Please Select ▼
--Please Select ▼

In the Passport Number field, enter your passport number as it appears in your other passport(s). The passport number may contain numbers and/or characters. Please closely distinguish between the two, such as the numbers zero and one, and the letters O and I. The passport number is optional to complete your application.

Contact Information (1 of 2)

Contact Information

E-mail Address * ⓘ

Enter the e-mail address at which you can be contacted. The e-mail address is required to complete the application. If you do not have an e-mail address, you may provide an alternative third-party e-mail address belonging to a point of contact (e.g. a family member, friend or business associate.)

Telephone Number * ⓘ

Type   *Country Code*   *Number*

At least one telephone number is required to complete the application. If you do not have a telephone number, you may provide an alternative third-party telephone number belonging to a point of contact (e.g. a family member, friend, or business associate).

In the Type field, choose the type of the telephone number where you may be contacted. The telephone type is required to complete the application.

In the Country Code field, enter the country code of the telephone number where you may be contacted. The country code is required to complete the application.

In the Number field, enter the telephone number where you may be contacted. The number is required to complete the application.

Contact Information (2 of 2)

Home Address * ?

Address Line 1

Apartment Number

In the Address Line 1 field, enter the number and street of the location of your home address. Do not include the city and state in this field. Address line 1 is required to complete the application.

Address Line 2

City

In the Apartment Number field, enter apartment, suite, unit, or other, as appropriate. Do not include the city and state in this field. Apartment number is optional to complete the application.

State/Province/Region

Country

--Please Select ▼

In the Address Line 2 field, enter floor, building, or other, as appropriate. Do not include the city and state in this field. Address line 2 is optional to complete the application.

In the City field, enter the city, town, village, or hamlet of your home address. The city, town, village, or hamlet is required to complete the application.

In the State/Province/Region field, enter the state, province, or region of your home address. The state/province /region is reqiured to complete the application.

In the Country field, choose the country of your home address. The country is required to complete the application.

Emergency Contact Info

Emergency Contact Information In or Out of the United States

Emergency Contact * ❓

Family Name

First (Given) Name

Enter your emergency point of contact who may be a person in or outside of the United States, e.g., a family member, friend, or business associate.

In the Family Name field, enter your emergency contact's family name. You must complete this field to complete the application. If you have no emergency contact, enter UNKNOWN.

In the First (Given) Name field, enter the emergency contact's first name. You must complete this field to complete the application. If you have no emergency contact (or your contact has only one name), enter UNKNOWN.

Telephone Number * ❓

Country Code

Number

In the Country Code field, enter the country code of your emergency contact's telephone number. The country code is required to complete the application. If you do not have an emergency contact telephone country code you may enter zeros.

In the Number field, enter your emergency contact's telephone number. The number is required to complete the application. If you do not have an emergency contact telephone number you may enter zeros.

E-mail Address * ❓

Enter your emergency contact's e-mail address. E-mail address is required to complete the application. You may also enter UNKNOWN.

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Travel Information

Is your travel to the US occurring in transit to another country? * ❓

Indicate whether your travel to the US is occurring in transit to another country by selecting yes or no. Answering this question is required to complete your application.

○ Yes   ○ No

US Point of Contact Information

US Point of Contact * ❓

A U.S. point of contact may be a friend, relative, or business associate. If you do not have a U.S. point of contact, please enter the name, address and telephone number of the location where you will be staying (e.g. a hotel name). You may also enter UNKNOWN.

Address * ❓

Address Line 1

Apartment Number

In the Address Line 1 field, enter the number and street of your US point of contact's address. Do not include the city and state in this field. Address line 1 is required to complete the application. You may also enter UNKNOWN.

Address Line 2

City

In the Apartment Number field, enter apartment, suite, unit, or other, as appropriate. Do not include the city and state in this field. Apartment number is optional to complete the application.

State

--Please Select ▼

In the Address Line 2 field, enter floor, building, or other, as appropriate. Do not include the city and state in this field. Address line 2 is optional to complete the application.

In the City field, enter the city of your US point of contact's address. The city is required to complete the application. You may also enter UNKNOWN.

In the State field, choose the state of your US point of contact's address. The state is required to complete the application. You may also select UNKNOWN.

Telephone Number * ❓

Enter your US point of contact's telephone number. The number is required to complete the application. If you do not have a point of contact telephone number you may enter zeros.

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Address While In The United States ❓

The address where you will be staying in the US is optional to complete the application. If multiple locations are planned, enter the first address. If the complete address is not known, enter the name of the hotel or location you will visit.

In the Address Line 1 field, enter the number and street of the location where you will stay while in the United States. Do not include the city and state in this field. Address line 1 is optional to complete the application.

In the Apartment Number field, enter apartment, suite, unit, or other, as appropriate. Do not include the city and state in this field. Apartment number is optional to complete the application.

In the Address Line 2 field, enter floor, building, or other, as appropriate. Do not include the city and state in this field. Address line 2 is optional to complete the application.

In the City field, enter the city of the address where you will stay while in the United States. The city is optional to complete the application.

In the State field, choose the state of the address where you will stay while in the United States. The state is optional to complete the application.

Address Line 1

Apartment Number

Address Line 2

City

State

--Please Select ▼

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Employment Information

Do you have a current or previous employer? * ②

Indicate whether you have a current or previous employer by selecting yes or no. Answering this question is required to complete your application.

○ Yes ○ No

Employer Name * ②

[   ]

Enter the name of your current employer. If you are not currently employed, enter the name of your previous employer. Employer name is required to complete the application. You may also enter SELF-EMPLOYED, STUDENT, CHILD, HOMEMAKER, STAY-AT-HOME PARENT, or any other word to describe your employment status.

Address *

In the Address Line 1 field, enter the number and street of the location of the employer you listed in the Employer Name field. Do not include the city and state in this field. Address line 1 is required to complete the application. If you do not know the address of the employer you listed you may enter UNKNOWN.

In the Apartment Number field, enter apartment, suite, unit, or other, as appropriate. Do not include the city and state in this field. Apartment number is optional to complete the application.

In the Address Line 2 field, enter floor, building, or other, as appropriate. Do not include the city and state in this field. Address line 2 is optional to complete the application.

In the City field, enter the city, town, village, or hamlet. The city, town, village, or hamlet is required to complete the application. If you do not know the city you may enter UNKNOWN.

In the State/Province/Region field, enter the state, province, or region. The state/province/region is required to complete the application. If you do not know the state/province/region you may enter UNKNOWN.

In the Country field, choose the country. The country is required to complete the application. You may also select UNKNOWN.

Address Line 1

Address Line 2

State/Province/Region

Apartment Number

City

Country
--Please Select

Telephone Number ❓   *Country Code*   *Number*

In the Country Code field, enter the country code of your employer's telephone number. The country code is optional to complete the application.

In the Number field, enter your employer's telephone number. The number is optional to complete the application.

Job Title ❓

Enter the job title of your current or previous employment. Job title is optional to complete this application.

Eligibility Questions

Do any of the following apply to you? (Answer Yes or No)

Please select if you need additional help on any of these questions.

1) Do you have a physical or mental disorder; or are you a drug abuser or addict; or do you currently have any of the following diseases: *

  Yes No

- Chancroid
- Gonorrhea
- Granuloma Inguinale
- Leprosy, infectious
- Lymphogranuloma venereum
- Syphilis, infectious
- Active Tuberculosis

2) Have you ever been arrested or convicted for a crime that resulted in serious damage to property, or serious harm to another person or government authority? *

  Yes No

3) Have you ever violated any law related to possessing, using, or distributing illegal drugs? *

  Yes No

4) Do you seek to engage in or have you ever engaged in terrorist activities, espionage, sabotage, or genocide? *

  Yes No

5) Have you ever committed fraud or misrepresented yourself or others to obtain, or assist others to obtain, a visa or entry into the United States? *

  Yes No

6) Are you currently seeking employment in the United States or were you previously employed in the United States without prior permission from the U.S. government? *

  Yes No

7) Have you ever been denied a U.S. visa you applied for with your current or previous passport, or have you ever been refused admission to the United States or withdrawn your application for admission at a U.S. port of entry? *

  Yes No

If yes:

when _____

where _____

8) Have you ever stayed in the United States longer than the admission period granted to you by the U.S. government? *

  Yes No

Waiter and Certification

Waiver of Rights: I have read and understand that I hereby waive for the duration of my travel authorization obtained via ESTA any rights to review or appeal of a U.S. Customs and Border Protection Officer's determination as to my admissibility, or to contest, other than on the basis of an application for asylum, any removal action arising from an application for admission under the Visa Waiver Program.

In addition to the above waiver, as a condition of each admission into the United States under the Visa Waiver Program, I agree that the submission of biometric identifiers (including fingerprints and photographs) during processing upon arrival in the United States shall reaffirm my waiver of any rights to review or appeal of a U.S. Customs and Border Protection Officer's determination as to my admissibility, or to contest, other than on the basis of an application for asylum, any removal action arising from an application for admission under the Visa Waiver Program.

☐   * **Certification**: I, the applicant, hereby certify that I have read, or have had read to me, all the questions and statements on this application and understand all the questions and statements on this application. The answers and information furnished in this application are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

☐   For third-parties submitting the application on behalf of the applicant, I hereby certify that I have read to the individual whose name appears on this application (applicant) all the questions and statements on this application. I further certify that the applicant certifies that he or she has read, or has had read to him or her, all the questions and statements on this application, understands all the questions and statements on this application, and waives any rights to review or appeal of a U.S. Customs and Border Protection Officer's determination as to his or her admissibility, or to contest, other than on the basis of an application for asylum, any removal action arising from an application for admission under the Visa Waiver Program. The answers and information furnished in this application are true and correct to the best of the applicant's knowledge and belief.

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Payment Required Status

Application Status

Payment Required

Your application is not complete and will not be processed by CBP until the processing fee has been paid. You must complete payment within 7 days.

Add New Application   Add Unpaid Application

Application Number	Passport Number	Passport Issuing Country	Family Name	First (Given) Name	Birth Date
R9R1X3XXR3AC2TQ7	PT1040919	JAPAN	FRIDAYS JPN	ZERO	September 19, 1904

View Application   Print Application   Update Application   Remove Application

Print or record the application number or numbers. This will help to return to the application to pay the fee or check the status.

Print

DISCLAIMER:

☐ I understand that a request by the cardholder to the bank for a refund of the fees will result in an automatic denial of the application.

Total: US $14.00

Exit   Pay

Pending Status

Application Status

Authorization Pending

Your travel authorization is under review because an immediate determination could not be made. This response does not indicate negative findings. A determination will be available within 72 hours. Return to this website to retrieve and view the ESTA status of a previously submitted authorization for one or for a group of two or more persons.

DHS recommends you print this screen for your records.

Print

You may exit this site or submit an application for another traveler at this time.

Application Number	Passport Number	Passport Issuing Country	ESTA Status
R9RR7X97R3FKHHH4	PT1210924	BRUNEI	**Authorization Pending**

[View Application] [Print Application]

[Exit]

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Approved Status

Application Status

Authorization Approved

Your travel authorization has been approved and you are authorized to travel to the United States under the Visa Waiver Program. This does not guarantee admission to the United States; a Customs and Border Protection (CBP) officer at a port of entry will have the final determination.

If necessary, you can update the following information on an approved authorization: address while in the United States and e-mail address. To access your travel authorization, you will be required to provide your application number, passport number, and birth date. If you need to change any other information on the form, you must apply for a new travel authorization.

Have a nice trip. Welcome to the United States.

DHS recommends you print this screen for your records but you will not be required to present a copy of your authorization in order to travel.

Print

You may exit this site or submit an application for another traveler at this time.

To begin planning your trip to the United States today, please visit **DiscoverAmerica.com**, the Official Travel and Tourism website of the United States.

U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) has developed a new program called Automated Passport Control (APC) that expedites the entry process for eligible Visa Waiver Program international travelers by providing an automated process through CBP's Primary Inspection area. To learn more about APC and participating airports following this link:

http://www.cbp.gov/travel/us-citizens/automated-passport-control-apc

Application Number	ESTA Expiration Date	Passport Number	Passport Issuing Country	ESTA Status
R8R8X3WRR3FKHC24	September 19, 2016	091914001	UK - BRITISH CITIZEN	**Authorization Approved**

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Exit	View Receipt

Denied Status

Application Status

Travel Not Authorized

You are not authorized to travel to the United States under the Visa Waiver Program. You may be able to obtain a visa from the Department of State for your travel. Please visit the United States Department of State website at **www.travel.state.gov** for additional information about applying for a visa.

DHS recommends you print this screen for your records.

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You may exit this site or submit an application for another traveler at this time.

Application Number	ESTA Expiration Date	Passport Number	Passport Issuing Country	ESTA Status
R8WRX6X6R3FKTFFA		F06825025	CHILE	**Travel Not Authorized**

[View Application] [Print Application]

[Exit]   [View Receipt]

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