**TABLE OF CHANGES – INSTRUCTIONS**

**Form I-129F, Petition for Alien Fiancé (e)**

**OMB Number: 1615-0001**

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| **Reason for Revision: Updates are required for Form I-129F due to a Fee Increase.** |

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| **Page 12,**  **What Is the Filing Fee?** | [page 12]  The filing fee for a Form I-129F is **$340**.  There is no fee for Form I-129F petitions for classification of an alien as a spouse of a United States citizen.  **Use the following guidelines when you prepare your check or money order for the Form I-129F filing fee:**   1. The check or money order must be drawn on a bank or other financial institution located in the United States and must be payable in U.S. currency; **and** 2. Make the check or money order payable to **U.S. Department of Homeland Security.**   **NOTE:** Spell out U.S. Department of Homeland Security; do not use the initials “USDHS” or “DHS.”   1. If you live outside the United States, contact the nearest U.S. Embassy or consulate for instructions on the method of payment.   [page 12]  **Notice to Those Making Payment by Check**  If you send us a check, it will be converted into an electronic funds transfer (EFT). This means we will copy your check and use the account information on it to electronically debit your account for the amount of the check. The debit from your account will usually take 24 hours and will be shown on your regular account statement.  You will not receive your original check back. We will destroy your original check, but we will keep a copy of it. If the EFT cannot be processed for technical reasons, you authorize us to process the copy in place of your original check. If the EFT cannot be completed because of insufficient funds, we may try to make the transfer up to two times.  **How to Check If the Fees Are Correct**  Form I-129F filing is current as of edition date in the lower left corner of this page. However, because USCIS fees change periodically, you can verify if the fees are correct by following one of the steps below.   1. Visit the USCIS Web site at [**www.uscis.gov**](http://www.uscis.gov), select “FORMS,” and check the appropriate fee; or 2. Call the USCIS National Customer Service Center at **1-800-375-5283** and ask for fee information. For TTY (deaf or hard of hearing) call: **1-800-767-1833.** | [page 12]  The filing fee for Form I-129F is **$535**.  **NOTE:**  The filing fee is not refundable, regardless of any action USCIS takes on this petition.  **DO NOT MAIL CASH.**  You must submit all fees in the exact amounts.  There is no fee for Form I-129F petitions for classification of an alien as a spouse of a United States citizen.  **Use the following guidelines when you prepare your check or money order for the Form I-129F filing fee:**   1. The check or money order must be drawn on a bank or other financial institution located in the United States and must be payable in U.S. currency; **and** 2. Make the check or money order payable to **U.S. Department of Homeland Security.**   **NOTE:** Spell out U.S. Department of Homeland Security; do not use the initials “USDHS” or “DHS.”   1. If you live outside the United States, contact the nearest U.S. Embassy or U.S. Consulate for instructions on the method of payment.   [page 12]  **Notice to Those Making Payment by Check.** If you send us a check, USCIS will convert it into an electronic funds transfer (EFT). This means we will copy your check and use the account information on it to electronically debit your account for the amount of the check. The debit from your account will usually take 24 hours and your bank will show it on your regular account statement.  You will not receive your original check back. We will destroy your original check, but will keep a copy of it. If USCIS cannot process the EFT for technical reasons, you authorize us to process the copy in place of your original check. If your check is returned as unpayable, USCIS will re-submit the payment to the financial institution one time.  If the check is returned as unpayable a second time, we will reject your application and charge you a returned check fee.  **How to Check If the Fees Are Correct**  Form I-129F’s filing fee is current as of the edition date in the lower left corner of this page. However, because USCIS fees change periodically, you can verify that the fees are correct by following one of the steps below.   1. Visit the USCIS website at [**www.uscis.gov**](http://www.uscis.gov), select “FORMS,” and check the appropriate fee; or 2. Call the USCIS National Customer Service Center at **1-800-375-5283** and ask for fee information. For TTY (deaf or hard of hearing) call: **1-800-767-1833.** |
| **Page 13,**  **Processing Information** | **Initial Processing.** Once USCIS accepts your petition we will check it for completeness. If you do not completely fill out this petition, you will not establish a basis for your eligibility and USCIS may reject or deny your petition.  **Requests for More Information.** We may request that you provide more information or evidence to support your petition. We may also request that you provide the originals of any copies you submit. If USCIS requests an original document from you, it will be returned to you after USCIS determines it no longer needs your original.  **NOTE:** If you submit original documents when not required or requested by USCIS, **your original documents may be immediately destroyed upon receipt.**  **Decision.** The decision on Form I-129F involves a determination of whether you have established eligibility for the immigration benefit you are seeking. USCIS will notify you of the decision in writing. | [page 13]  **Processing Information**  **Initial Processing.** Once USCIS accepts your petition we will check it for completeness. If you do not completely fill out this petition, you will not establish a basis for your eligibility and USCIS may reject or deny your petition.  **Requests for More Information.** We may request that you provide more information or evidence to support your petition. We may also request that you provide the originals of any copies you submit. If USCIS requests an original document from you, it will be returned to you after USCIS determines it no longer needs your original.  [Deleted]  **Decision.** The decision on Form I-129F involves a determination of whether you have established eligibility for the immigration benefit you are seeking. USCIS will notify you of the decision in writing. |