# **TABLE OF CHANGES – INSTRUCTIONS**

# Form I-129S, Instructions for Nonimmigrant Petition Based on Blanket L Petition OMB Number: 1615-0010 6/1/2018

# **Reason for Revision:**

Legend for Proposed Text:

- Black font = Current text
- Purple font = Standard language
- Red font = Changes

Current Page Number and Section	Current Text	Proposed Text
Page 1,	[page 1]	[page 1]
What Is the Purpose of		
Form I-129S?	What Is the Purpose of Form I-129S?	[no change]
	This petition is for an employer (petitioner) to classify an employee (beneficiary) as an L-1 nonimmigrant intracompany transferee under a blanket L petition (LZ) approval.	
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Who May File Form I- 129S?	Who May File Form I-129S?	[no change]
	A petitioner with an approved blanket L-1 petition may file Form I-129S to classify a beneficiary, who is outside the United States, as an executive, manager, or specialized knowledge professional.	
	If the beneficiary is in the United States and a petitioner is requesting a change of status or extension of stay for that beneficiary, the petitioner should file Form I-129S <b>with</b> Form I-129, Petition for a Nonimmigrant Worker.	
Pages 1-2,	[page 1]	[page 1]
General Instructions	General Instructions	General Instructions
	U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) provides forms free of charge through the USCIS Web site. In order to view, print, or fill out our forms, you should use the latest version of Adobe Reader, which you can download for free at <a href="http://get.adobe.com/reader/">http://get.adobe.com/reader/</a> . If you do	U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) provides forms free of charge through the USCIS website. In order to view, print, or fill out our forms, you should use the latest version of Adobe Reader, which you can download for free at <a href="http://get.adobe.com/reader/">http://get.adobe.com/reader/</a> . If you do

not have Internet access, you may call the USCIS National Customer Service Center at **1-800-375-5283** and ask that we mail a form to you. For TTY (deaf or hard of hearing) call: **1-800-767-1833**.

**Signature.** Each petition must be properly signed and filed. For all signatures on this petition, USCIS will not accept a stamped or typewritten name in place of a signature.

Validity of Signatures for Form I-129S only. For Form I-129S only, we will consider an original, photocopied, faxed, or scanned copy of the handwritten signature valid for filing purposes. The photocopy, fax, or scan must be of the original document containing the handwritten, ink signature.

**Filing Fee.** Each petition must be accompanied by the appropriate filing fee. (See the **What Is the Filing Fee** section of these Instructions.)

**Evidence.** At the time of filing, you must submit all evidence and supporting documentation listed in the **What Evidence Must You Submit** section of these Instructions.

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Evidence. At the time of filing, you must submit all evidence and supporting documents listed in the What Evidence Must You Submit and/or Specific Instructions sections of these Instructions.

**Biometric Services Appointment.** USCIS may require that you appear for an interview or provide biometrics (fingerprints, photograph, and/or signature) at any time to verify your identity, obtain additional information, and conduct background and security checks, including a check of criminal history records maintained by the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), before making a decision on your application or petition. After USCIS receives your petition and ensures it is complete, we will inform you in writing if you need to attend a biometric services appointment. If an appointment is necessary, the notice will provide you the location of your local or designated USCIS Application Support Center (ASC) and the date and time of your appointment or, if you are currently overseas, instruct you to contact a U.S. Embassy, U.S. Consulate, or USCIS office outside the United States to set up an appointment.

If you are required to provide biometrics, at your appointment you must sign an oath reaffirming that:

- **1.** You provided or authorized all information in the petition;
- **2.** You reviewed and understood all of the information contained in, and submitted with, your petition; and
- **3.** All of this information was complete, true, and correct at the time of filing.

If you fail to attend your biometric services appointment, USCIS may deny your petition.

Copies. You should submit legible photocopies of documents requested, unless the Instructions specifically state that you must submit an original document. USCIS may request an original document at the time of filing or at any time during processing of an application, petition, or request. 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 after we receive them.** 

Translations. If you submit a document with information in a foreign language, you must also submit a full English translation. The translator must sign a certification that the English language translation is complete and accurate, and that he or she is competent to translate from the foreign language into English. The certification must also include the translator's signature, printed name, the signature date, and the translator's contact information.

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## **How To Fill Out Form I-129S**

- **1.** Type or print legibly in black ink.
- **2.** If you need extra space to complete any

item within this petition, use the space		
provided in <b>Part 10. Additional</b>		
<b>Information</b> or attach a separate sheet of		
paper; type or print the beneficiary's name		
and Alien Registration Number (A-		
Number) (if any) at the top of each sheet;		
indicate the Page Number, Part Number,		
and <b>Item Number</b> to which your answer		
refers; and sign and date each sheet.		

**3.** Answer all questions fully and accurately. If a question does not apply (for example, if the beneficiary has never been married and the question asks "Provide the name of your current spouse"), type or print "N/A," unless otherwise directed. If the answer to a question which requires a numeric response is zero or none (for example, "How many children do you have" or "How many times have you departed the United States"), type or print "None," unless otherwise directed.

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# Pages 2-5, Specific Instructions

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**Specific Instructions** 

Part 1. Information About The Employer (Petitioner)

Item Number 1. Name of the Petitioner. Provide the full legal name of the sponsoring company or organization (petitioner) that is petitioning for classification of an employee (beneficiary) as an L-1A (Manager or Executive) or L-1B (Specialized Knowledge) professional nonimmigrant.

**Item Numbers 2.a. - 3. Petitioner's Mailing Address.** Provide the U.S. mailing address for the petitioner. Also indicate whether the sponsoring company or organization's mailing address is the same as its physical address.

**Item Numbers 4.a. - 4.e. Petitioner's Physical Address.** Provide the U.S. physical address for the petitioner.

**Item Numbers 5. - 8. Petitioner's Contact Information.** Provide the petitioner's telephone and fax numbers as well as the business email and Web site addresses (if any).

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Part 1. Information About The Employer (Petitioner)

**Item Number 1. Name of Petitioning Organization.** Provide the full legal name of the company or organization (petitioner) that is petitioning for classification of an employee (beneficiary) as an L-1A (Manager or Executive) or L-1B (Specialized Knowledge) professional nonimmigrant.

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**Item Numbers 5. - 8. Petitioner's Contact Information.** Provide the petitioner's telephone and fax numbers as well as the business email and website addresses (if any).

**Item Numbers 9. - 10. Petitioner's Employees in the United States.** Indicate whether the petitioner employs more than 50 individuals in the United States and if more than half of those employees (50 percent) are in H-1B, L-1A, or L-1B nonimmigrant status.

Part 2. Information About the Proposed Position and Prior Periods of Stay in the United States

**Item Numbers 1.a. - 1.b. Proposed Employment.** Select the appropriate box to indicate the nature of the beneficiary's position or proposed employment in the United States if the petition to classify the beneficiary is approved.

**Item Numbers 2.a. - 2.b. Dates of Proposed Employment.** Provide the beneficiary's dates of proposed employment.

**Item Numbers 3.a. - 6. Prior Periods of Stay in the United States.** If the beneficiary was previously in the United States in a work-authorized capacity during the last seven years, provide the dates of employment and the beneficiary's nonimmigrant status.

Part 3. Information About the Beneficiary

**Item Number 1. Alien Registration Number (A-Number)** (if any). Provide the beneficiary's A-Number (if any). The beneficiary's A-Number is the number used to identify if USCIS already has any immigration records for the beneficiary.

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Item Number 2. USCIS Online Account Number (if any). If you have previously filed an application, petition, or request using the USCIS online filing system (previously called USCIS Electronic Immigration System (USCIS ELIS)), provide the USCIS Online Account Number you were issued by the system. You can find your USCIS Online Account Number by logging in to your account and

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**Item Number 3. U.S. Social Security Number** (if any). Provide the beneficiary's U.S. Social Security number.

**Item Numbers 4.a. - 4.c. Beneficiary's Full Name.** Provide the beneficiary's full legal name.

**Item Numbers 5.a. - 5.c. Other Names Used.** Provide all other names the beneficiary has ever used, including aliases, maiden name, names from all previous marriages, and nicknames.

**Item Numbers 6.a. - 7. Beneficiary's Foreign Mailing Address.** Provide the beneficiary's foreign mailing address. Also indicate whether the beneficiary's foreign mailing address is the same as his or her foreign physical address.

**Item Numbers 8.a. - 8.f. Beneficiary's Foreign Physical Address.** Provide the beneficiary's foreign physical address.

**Item Number 9. Date of Birth.** Provide the beneficiary's date of birth in mm/dd/yyyy format.

**Item Number 10. Gender.** Indicate whether the beneficiary is a male or female.

**Item Numbers 11. - 13. Place of Birth.** Provide the name of the city or town, province or state, and country where the beneficiary was born.

**Item Number 14. Country of Citizenship or Nationality.** Provide the country where the beneficiary is currently a citizen or national. If the beneficiary does not have

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**Item Numbers 5.a. - 5.c. Other Names Used.** Provide all other names the beneficiary has ever used, including aliases, maiden name and nicknames.

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citizenship in any country, indicate "stateless."

# Part 4. Information About the Proposed United States Employment

**Item Number 1. Blanket L Petition Receipt Number.** Provide the receipt number for the approved blanket L petition upon which this petition is based.

**Item Number 2. Forms Filed with Form I-129S.** Indicate whether you are filing Form I-129 with this petition.

Item Numbers 3.a. - 3.e. Proposed Employment Address for the Beneficiary. Provide the U.S. address where the beneficiary will perform work as an L-1A or L-1B professional nonimmigrant.

**Item Numbers 4. - 6. Wages and Hours of Proposed Employment.** Provide the wages per year the beneficiary will receive and the number of hours the beneficiary will work each week for the proposed employment. Also describe any other compensation the beneficiary will receive, including dollar value (if applicable).

**Item Numbers 7. - 8. Proposed Job Title and Duties.** Provide the job title the beneficiary will hold and the duties he or she will perform while in the United States. Also indicate how much time the beneficiary will spend performing those duties on a daily basis.

Item Numbers 9. - 11. Primary
Worksite. If the beneficiary will perform
work as an L-1B specialized knowledge
professional, indicate whether the
beneficiary will work primarily offsite and,
if yes, who will supervise and control the
beneficiary's work and the amount of time
they will spend overseeing the
beneficiary's work. Also, explain how the
beneficiary's specialized knowledge is
related to the petitioner and how the offsite
placement is not an arrangement to provide
"labor for hire."

# Part 5. Information About Foreign Employment

Item Numbers 1.a. - 1.c. Qualifying Foreign Position. Select the appropriate box to indicate the nature of the beneficiary's qualifying position while working for a qualifying foreign employer for the requisite one continuous year out of three years. Visit the USCIS Web site at <a href="https://www.uscis.gov/eir/visa-guide/l-1-intracompany-transferee/l-1-visa">www.uscis.gov/eir/visa-guide/l-1-intracompany-transferee/l-1-visa</a> for more information.

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**Item Numbers 2. - 3.f. Qualifying Foreign Employer Name and Address.**Provide the foreign addresses where the beneficiary worked for a qualifying foreign employer for the required one continuous year out of three years.

Item Numbers 4. - 13. Other
Information About the Beneficiary's
Foreign Employment. Provide the job
titles the beneficiary held while working for
the qualifying foreign employer, the dates
of such employment, the duties he or she
performed during the required one
continuous year out of three years, the
wages he or she earned per year, and the
hours he or she worked per week.

Part 6. Certification Regarding the Release of Controlled Technology or Technical Data to Foreign Persons in the United States

Item Numbers 1. - 2. Indicate whether the petitioner must obtain a license to release technology or technical data to the beneficiary. For a description of the requirements based on the Export Administration Regulations (EAR) and the International Traffic In Arms Regulations (ITR), see the Certification Pertaining to the Release of Controlled Technology or Technical Data to Foreign Persons in the United States section in these Instructions.

Part 7. Statement, Contact Information, Declaration, Certification, and Signature of the Petitioner of Authorized Signatory

**Item Numbers 1.a. - 8.b.** Select the appropriate box to indicate that you, the

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Part 7. Statement, Contact Information, Declaration, and Signature of the Petitioner or Authorized Signatory

**Item Numbers 1.a. - 8.b.** Select the appropriate box to indicate whether you

petitioner or authorized signatory, either read this petition yourself or whether you had an interpreter assist you. If someone assisted you in completing the petition, select the box indicating that you used a preparer. Further, you (or an authorized signatory for the petitioner) must sign and date your petition and provide your daytime telephone number, mobile telephone number (if any), and email address (if any). Every petition **MUST** contain the signature of the petitioner (or authorized signatory, if applicable). A stamped or typewritten name in place of a signature is not acceptable.

**NOTE:** For Form I-129S only, we will consider an original, photocopied, faxed, or scanned copy of the handwritten signature valid for filing purposes. The photocopy, fax, or scan must be of the original document containing the handwritten, ink signature.

## Part 8. Interpreter's Contact Information, Certification, and Signature

Item Numbers 1.a. - 7.b. If you used anyone as an interpreter to read the Instructions and questions on this petition to you in a language in which you are fluent, the interpreter must fill out this section, provide his or her name, the name and address of his or her business or organization (if any), his or her daytime telephone number, his or her mobile telephone number (if any), and his or her email address (if any). The interpreter must sign and date the petition.

### Part 9. Contact Information, Declaration, and Signature of the Person Preparing this Petition, if Other Than the Petitioner

**Item Numbers 1.a. - 8.b.** This section must contain the signature of the person who completed your petition, if other than you, the petitioner. If the same individual acted as your interpreter **and** your preparer,

read this petition yourself or whether you had an interpreter assist you. If someone assisted you in completing the petition, select the box indicating that you used a preparer. Further, you (the petitioner) must personally sign and date your petition and provide your daytime telephone number, mobile telephone number (if any), and email address (if any). Every petition **MUST** contain the signature of the petitioner. An electronic reproduction of an original, handwritten, ink signature, (such as a scan or fax) is acceptable. An electronically generated signature or a stamped or typewritten name in place of an original signature is not acceptable. Please note that if the petitioner is a corporation or other legal entity, the signatory of the petition must be authorized to sign on behalf of such entity, (for example, must be an individual with authority to legally bind the entity.) If the signatory is an outside agent or attorney of the petitioner, he or she may only sign the petition on the petitioner's behalf if authorized to act on the petitioner's behalf through a written Power of Attorney.

# Part 8. Interpreter's Contact Information, Certification, and Signature

Item Numbers 1.a. - 7.b. If you used anyone as an interpreter to read the Instructions and questions on this petition to you in a language in which you are fluent, the interpreter must fill out this section, provide his or her name, the name and address of his or her business or organization (if any), his or her daytime telephone number, his or her mobile telephone number (if any), and his or her email address (if any). The interpreter must sign and date the petition.

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	that person should complete both <b>Part 8.</b>	that person should complete both <b>Part 8.</b>
	and <b>Part 9.</b> If the person who completed	and <b>Part 9.</b> If the person who completed
	this petition is associated with a business or	this petition is associated with a business or
	organization, that person should complete	organization, that person should complete
	the business or organization name and	the business or organization name and
	address information. Anyone who helped	address information. Anyone who helped
	you prepare this petition <b>MUST</b> sign and	you prepare this petition <b>MUST</b> sign and
	date the petition. A stamped or typewritten	date the petition. A stamped or typewritten
	name in place of a signature is not	name in place of a signature is not
	acceptable. If the person who helped you	acceptable. If the person who helped you
	prepare your petition is an attorney or	prepare your petition is an attorney or
	accredited representative, whose	accredited representative, he or she may
	representation extends beyond preparation	also need to submit a completed Form G-
	of this petition, he or she may be obliged to	28, Notice of Entry of Appearance as
	also submit a completed Form G-28, Notice	Attorney or Accredited Representative, or
	of Entry of Appearance as Attorney or	Form G-28I, Notice of Entry of
	Accredited Representative, or Form G-28I,	Appearance as Attorney In Matters Outside
	Notice of Entry of Appearance as Attorney	the Geographical Confines of the United
	In Matters Outside the Geographical	States, along with your petition.
	Confines of the United States, along with	
	your petition.	
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	Part 10. Additional Information	Part 10. Additional Information
	<b>Item Numbers 1.a 7.d.</b> If you, the	<b>Item Numbers 1.a 7.d.</b> If you, the
	petitioner, need extra space to provide any	petitioner, need extra space to provide any
	additional information within this petition,	additional information within this petition,
	use the space provided in <b>Part 10.</b>	use the space provided in <b>Part 10.</b>
	Additional Information. If you need	<b>Additional Information</b> . If you need
	more space than what is provided in <b>Part</b>	more space than what is provided in <b>Part</b>
	<b>10.</b> , you may make copies of <b>Part 10.</b> to	<b>10.</b> , you may make copies of <b>Part 10.</b> to
	complete and file with your petition, or	complete and file with your petition, or
	attach a separate sheet of paper. Include the	attach a separate sheet of paper. Type or
	beneficiary's name and A-Number (if any)	print the beneficiary's name and A-Number
	at the top of each sheet; indicate the <b>Page</b>	(if any) at the top of each sheet; indicate the
	Number, Part Number, and Item	Page Number, Part Number, and Item
	<b>Number</b> to which your answer refers; and	<b>Number</b> to which your answer refers; and
	sign and date each sheet.	sign and date each sheet.
	We recommend that you print or save a	We recommend that you print or save a
	copy of your completed petition to	copy of your completed petition to
	review in the future and for your	review in the future and for your
	records.	records.
Page 5,	[page 5]	[page 5]
What Evidence Must You Submit?	What Evidence Must You Submit?	[no change]
	You must submit all evidence requested in	
	these Instructions with your petition. If you	
	fail to submit required evidence, USCIS	
1	ian to submit required evidence, USCIS	
	may reject or deny your petition for failure to submit requested evidence in accordance	

Pages 5-6,	with 8 CFR 103.2(b)(1) and these Instructions.  You must file your petition with the following documents:  1. A copy of the approval notice for the blanket L petition; and  2. A letter from the beneficiary's foreign qualifying employer detailing the beneficiary's dates of employment, job duties, qualifications, and salary. The letter must also show that the beneficiary worked for the employer for at least the required one continuous year out of three years in an executive, managerial, or specialized knowledge professional capacity. Visit the USCIS Web site at <a href="https://www.uscis.gov/eir/visa-guide/l-1-intracompany-transferee/l-1-visa">www.uscis.gov/eir/visa-guide/l-1-intracompany-transferee/l-1-visa</a> for more information about the one continuous year out of three years requirement.	2. A letter from the beneficiary's foreign qualifying employer detailing the beneficiary's dates of employment, job duties, qualifications, and salary. The letter must also show that the beneficiary worked for the employer for at least the required one continuous year out of three years in an executive, managerial, or specialized knowledge professional capacity. Visit the USCIS website at <a href="https://www.uscis.gov/eir/visa-guide/l-1-intracompany-transferee/l-1-visa">www.uscis.gov/eir/visa-guide/l-1-intracompany-transferee/l-1-visa</a> for more information about the one continuous year out of three years requirement.
What Is the Filing Fee?	What Is the Filing Fee?	[no change]
	There is <b>no base filing fee</b> for Form I-129S. However, there are two fees that the petitioner must submit with Form I-129S in certain situations.  Fraud Prevention and Detection Fee  The L-1 Visa Reform Act of 2004 requires a \$500 Fraud Prevention and Detection Fee. The petitioner must submit this fee as outlined below.	
	1. Visa Applications filed with the U.S. Department of State. The Secretary of State will collect the \$500 fee from the petitioner through a beneficiary:	1. Visa Applications filed with the U.S. Department of State. The Secretary of State will collect the \$500 fee from the petitioner through a beneficiary:
	<b>A.</b> Who applies at a U.S. Embassy or U.S. Consulate for an L-1 visa; and	[no change]
	<b>B.</b> On whose behalf the petitioner is seeking L-1 approval based on an approved blanket L petition.	
	2. Visa-Exempt Petitions filed with the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (USCIS or U.S. Customs and Border	2. Visa-Exempt Petitions filed with the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) (USCIS or U.S. Customs and

**Protection (CBP)).** The Secretary of Homeland Security will collect the \$500 fee from a petitioner who seeks:

**A.** Initial approval of L-1 classification for a beneficiary; or

**B.** Approval to employ an L-1 nonimmigrant currently working for another petitioner.

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#### Public Law 114-113 Fee

Public Law (Pub. L.) 114-113 requires that the petitioner pay a **\$4,500** fee for certain L-1 petitions. The law requires a petitioner to pay the fee on or after December 18, 2015, **if**:

- **1.** The petitioner employs 50 or more individuals in the United States;
- **2.** More than 50 percent of those employees are in H-1B, L-1A, or L-1B nonimmigrant status; **and**
- **3.** The petition is filed before October 1, 2025.

To determine whether you must pay the Pub. L. 114-113 fee, complete **Item Numbers 9.** and **10.** in **Part 1. Information About The Employer (Petitioner)** of Form I-129S. A petitioner is required to pay this fee if:

- **1.** The petitioner is required to pay the \$500 Fraud Prevention and Detection fee; and
- **2.** The petitioner answered "Yes" in response to both **Item Numbers 9.** and **10.** in **Part 1.** of Form I-129S.

NOTE: The Fraud Prevention and Detection Fee and Pub. L. 114-113 Fee, when applicable, may not be waived. The petitioner should submit each fee in a separate check or money order to either the Department of State or the Department of Homeland Security, as described in the Fraud Prevention and Detection Fee section above. DO NOT MAIL CASH.

**Border Protection (CBP)).** The Secretary of Homeland Security will collect the **\$500** fee from a petitioner who seeks:

[no change]

**1.** The petitioner is required to pay the **\$500** Fraud Prevention and Detection fee; and

[no change]

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You must submit all fees in the exact amount. The **Fraud Prevention and Detection Fee** and **Pub. L. 114-113 Fee** are not refundable, regardless of any action taken on this petition.

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Use the following guidelines when you prepare your checks or money orders for the Fraud Prevention and Detection Fee and Public L. 114-113 Fee to USCIS:

- **1.** The checks or money orders 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 checks or money orders payable to either the **Department of State** or **U.S. Department of Homeland Security**, respectively.

**NOTE:** Spell out **U.S. Department of Homeland Security**; do not use the initials "USDHS" or "DHS."

**3.** If you live outside the United States, contact the nearest U.S. Embassy or U.S. Consulate for instructions on the method of payment.

**NOTE:** Petitioners filing Form I-129S with CBP or Department of State should contact those agencies directly regarding payment guidelines.

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 USCIS cannot complete the EFT because of insufficient

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### **Payments by Checks or Money Orders**

[no change]

**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** 

[no change]

**NOTE:** Spell out **U.S.** Department of Homeland Security; do not use the initials "USDHS" or "DHS."

[no change]

Notice to Those Making Payment by Check. If you send USCIS a check, we 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, we will re-submit

funds, we may try to make the transfer two the payment to the financial institution one additional times. time. If the check is returned as unpayable a second time, we will reject your petition and charge you a returned check fee. How to Check If the USCIS Fees Are How To Check If the USCIS Fees Are Correct Correct The Fraud Prevention and Detection Fee [no change] and Pub. L. 114-113 Fee are 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 Web site at **1.** Visit the USCIS website at www.uscis.gov, select "FORMS," and www.uscis.gov, select "FORMS," and check the appropriate fee; or check the appropriate fee; or 2. Call the USCIS National Customer **2.** Visit the USCIS Contact Center at Service Center at **1-800-375-5283** and ask www.uscis.gov/contactcenter to get for fee information. For TTY (deaf or hard answers to your questions and connect with of hearing) call: 1-800-767-1833. a live USCIS representative. The USCIS Contact Center provides information in English and Spanish. For TTY (deaf or hard of hearing) call: 1-800-767-1833. Page 7, [page 7] [page 7] Where To File? Where To File? Where To File? Please see our Web site at Please see our website at www.uscis.gov/Iwww.uscis.gov/I-129S or call our National **129S** or call our National Customer Service Customer Service Center at 1-800-375-Center at **1-800-375-5283** for the most **5283** for the most current information about current information about where to file this where to file this petition. For TTY (deaf petition. For TTY (deaf or hard of hearing) or hard of hearing) call: 1-800-767-1833. call: 1-800-767-1833. Beneficiaries Who Must Obtain a [no change] Nonimmigrant Visa Overseas. If the beneficiary requires a nonimmigrant visa, he or she should present the completed or previously approved petition at a U.S. Embassy or a U.S. Consulate abroad. **Beneficiaries in the United States Who Choose to Extend/Change Nonimmigrant Status.** If the beneficiary is in the United States and would like to

extend or change nonimmigrant status, file this petition at the USCIS service center that approved the blanket L petition along

with Form I-129.

	Citizens of Canada under NAFTA.  Petitioners who seek L-1 classification for citizens of Canada under the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) may also have the beneficiary present Form I-129S to a CBP officer in conjunction with an application for admission. The beneficiary may do this at either:  1. A "Class A" port-of-entry located on the U.S./Canada land border; or  2. A U.S. pre-clearance/pre-flight inspection station in Canada.	
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United States	U.S. Export Controls on the Release of	
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	<b>Data to Foreign Persons.</b> The Export	
	Administration Regulations (EAR) (15	
	CFR Parts 770-774) and the International	
	Traffic in Arms Regulations (ITAR) (22	
	CFR Parts 120-130) require U.S. persons to	
	seek and receive authorization from the	
	U.S. Government before releasing to	
	foreign persons in the United States	
	controlled technology or technical data.	
	Under both the EAR and the ITAR, release	
	of controlled technology or technical data to foreign persons in the United States,	
	even by an employer, is deemed as	
	an export to that person's country or	
	countries of citizenship or nationality. One	
	implication of this rule is that a U.S.	
	company must seek and receive a license	
	from the U.S. Government before it	
	releases controlled technology or technical	
	data to its nonimmigrant workers employed	
	as L-1 beneficiaries.	
	Requirement to Certify Compliance with	
	U.S. Export Control Regulations. The	
	U.S. Government requires each company or	
	other entity to certify that it has reviewed	
	the EAR and ITAR and determine whether	
	it will require a U.S. Government export	
	license to release controlled technology or	
	technical data to the beneficiary. If an	
	export license is required, then the	

company or other entity must further certify that it will not release or otherwise provide access to controlled technology or technical data to the beneficiary until it has received from the U.S. Government the required authorization to do so. The petitioner must indicate whether or not a license is required on Part 6. Certification Regarding the Release of Controlled Technology or Technical Data to Foreign Persons in the United States.

**Controlled Technology and Technical** 

Data. The licensing requirements described above will affect only a small percentage of petitioners because most types of technology are not controlled for export or release to foreign persons. The technology and technical data that are, however, controlled for export or release to foreign persons are identified on the EAR's Commerce Control List (CCL) and the ITAR's U.S. Munitions List (USML). The CCL is found at 15 CFR 774, Supp. 1 and www.access.gpo.gov/bis/ear/ear\_data.ht ml#ccl. The USML is at 22 CFR 121.1 and www.pmddtc.state.

**gov/regulations** laws/itar.html. The EAR-controlled technology on the CCL generally pertains to that which is for the production, development, or use of what are generally known as "dual-use" items. The ITAR-controlled technical data on the USML generally pertains to that which is directly related to defense articles.

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The U.S. Department of Commerce's Bureau of Industry and Security (BIS) administers the CCL and is responsible for issuing licenses for the release to foreign persons of technology controlled under the EAR. The U.S. Department of State's Directorate of Defense Trade Controls (DDTC) administers the USML and is responsible for issuing licenses for the release to foreign persons of technical data controlled under the ITAR. Information about the EAR and how to apply for a license from BIS are at www.bis.doc.gov. Specific information about EAR's requirements pertaining to the release of controlled technology to foreign persons is at www.bis.doc.gov/index.php/policy-

Page 8, Address Change	guidance/deemed- exports. Information about the ITAR and how to apply for a license from DDTC are at www.pmddtc.state.gov. Specific information about the ITAR's requirements pertaining to the release of controlled technical data is at www.pmddtc.state.gov/faqs/license foreignpersons.html.  [page 8]	[page 8]
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	A petitioner or beneficiary who is not a U.S. citizen must notify USCIS of his or her new address within 10 days of moving from his or her previous residence. For information on filing a change of address, go to the USCIS Web site at <a href="https://www.uscis.gov/addresschange">www.uscis.gov/addresschange</a> or contact the USCIS National Customer Service Center at 1-800-375-5283. For TTY (deaf or hard of hearing) call: 1-800-767-1833.	A petitioner or beneficiary who is not a U.S. citizen must notify USCIS of his or her new address within 10 days of moving from his or her previous residence. For information on filing a change of address, go to the USCIS website at www.uscis.gov/addresschange or contact the USCIS National Customer Service Center at 1-800-375-5283. For TTY (deaf or hard of hearing) call: 1-800-767-1833.
	request to the USCIS Lockbox facilities because the Lockbox does not process change of address requests.	
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Processing Information	<b>Processing Information</b>	<b>Processing Information</b>
	[new]	You must have a United States address to file this petition.
	<b>Initial Processing.</b> 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.	<b>Initial Processing.</b> 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. USCIS will return any requested originals when they are no longer needed.	Requests for More Information. USCIS 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 we request an original document from you, it will be returned to you after USCIS determines it no longer needs your original.
	[new]	<b>Requests for Interview.</b> We may request that you (the petitioner and/or beneficiary)

	<b>Decision.</b> The decision on Form I-129S 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.	appear at a USCIS office for an interview based on your petition. At the time of any interview or other appearance at a USCIS office, we may require that you provide your biometrics to verify your identity and/or update background and security checks.  [no change]
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	To ensure you are using the latest version of this petition, visit the USCIS Web site at <a href="https://www.uscis.gov">www.uscis.gov</a> where you can obtain the latest USCIS forms and immigration-related information. If you do not have Internet access, you may order USCIS forms by calling our toll-free number at 1-800-870-3676. You may also obtain forms and information by calling the the Forms Request Line at 1-800-870-3676. You may also obtain forms and information by calling the USCIS National Customer Service Center at 1-800-375-5283. For TTY (deaf or hard of hearing) call: 1-800-767-1833.	To ensure you are using the latest version of this petition, visit the USCIS website at www.uscis.gov where you can obtain the latest USCIS forms and immigration-related information. If you do not have Internet access, you may order USCIS forms by calling the Forms Request Line at 1-800-870-3676. You may also obtain forms and information by calling the USCIS National Customer Service Center at 1-800-375-5283. For TTY (deaf or hard of hearing) call: 1-800-767-1833.
	Instead of waiting in line for assistance at your local USCIS office, you can schedule an appointment online at <a href="www.uscis.gov">www.uscis.gov</a> . Select "Schedule an appointment online" and follow the screen prompts to set up your appointment. Once you finish scheduling an appointment, the system will generate an appointment notice for you.	Instead of waiting in line for assistance at your local USCIS office, you can schedule an appointment online at <a href="www.uscis.gov">www.uscis.gov</a> . Select "Make an Appointment" and follow the screen prompts to set up your appointment. Once you finish scheduling an appointment, the system will generate an appointment notice for you.
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Penalties	Penalties	[no change]
	If you knowingly and willfully falsify or conceal a material fact or submit a false document with your Form I-129S, we will deny your Form I-129S and may deny any other immigration benefit. In addition, you will face severe penalties provided by law and may be subject to criminal prosecution.	

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### **USCIS Privacy Statement**

AUTHORITIES: The information requested on this petition, and the associated evidence is collected under INA, 8 U.S.C. sections 1103, 1184, and 1202 and 8 CFR parts 103 and 214 authorize USCIS to collect the information and associated evidence requested on this benefit petition. Additionally, Pub. L. 114-113, requires the collection of information regarding the number of H-1B and L-1 employees in the United States.

**PURPOSE:** The primary purpose for providing the requested information on this petition is to determine if you have established eligibility to request classification of alien employees as L-1 nonimmigrant intra-company transferees under a previously approved blanket L petition. DHS will use the information you provide to grant or deny the immigration benefit you are seeking.

**DISCLOSURE:** The information you provide is voluntary. However, failure to provide the requested information, and any requested evidence, may delay a final decision in your case or result in denial of your petition.

ROUTINE USES: DHS may share the information you provide on this petition with other Federal, state, local, and foreign government agencies and authorized organizations. DHS follows approved routine uses described in the associated published system of records notices [DHS/USCIS-007 - Benefits Information System and DHS/USCIS-001 - Alien File, Index, and National File Tracking System of Records], which you can find at <a href="www.dhs.gov/privacy">www.dhs.gov/privacy</a>. DHS may also share the information, as appropriate, for law enforcement purposes or in the interest of national security.

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### **DHS Privacy Notice**

**AUTHORITIES:** The information requested on this petition, and the associated evidence, is collected under the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA), 8 U.S.C. sections 1103, 1184 and 1202, and 8 CFR parts 103 and 214. Additionally, Public Law 114-113, requires the collection of information regarding the number of H-1B and L-1 employees in the United States.

**PURPOSE:** The primary purpose for providing the requested information on this petition is to **request classification** of alien employees as L-1 nonimmigrant intracompany transferees under a previously approved blanket L petition. DHS uses the information you provide to grant or deny the immigration benefit you are seeking.

**DISCLOSURE:** The information you provide is voluntary. However, failure to provide the requested information, including the beneficiary's Social Security number (if applicable), and any requested evidence, may delay a final decision or result in denial of your petition.

**ROUTINE USES:** DHS may share the information you provide on this petition and any additional requested evidence with other Federal, state, local, and foreign government agencies and authorized organizations. DHS follows approved routine uses described in the associated published system of records notices [DHS/USCIS-001 - Alien File, Index, and National File Tracking System, DHS/USCIS-007 - Benefits Information System, and DHS/CBP-011 U.S. Customs and Border Protection TEC] and the published privacy impact assessments [DHS/USCIS/PIA-016a Computer Linked **Application Information Management** System and Associated Systems and DHS/CBP/PIA-009 TECS System: CBP Primary and Secondary Processing] which you can find at www.dhs.gov/privacy.

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