

TABLE OF CHANGES – INSTRUCTIONS
Instructions for Form I-817, Application for Family Unity Benefits
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Current Page Number and Section	Current Text	Proposed Text
Page 1, When Should I File Form I-817?	[page 1] ... B. If you are granted Family Unity benefits under the LIFE Act, you are authorized to remain in the United States for two years (only one year if your spouse or parent has a pending application for adjustment to lawful permanent resident status). You will receive an EAD valid for the same period. ...	[page 1] ... B. If you are granted Family Unity benefits under the LIFE Act, you are authorized to remain in the United States for two years (only one year if your spouse or parent has a pending application for adjustment to lawful permanent resident status). You will receive an EAD valid for the same period. ...
Pages 1-2, General Instructions	[page 2] ... Biometric Services Appointment. USCIS may require that you appear for an interview or provide 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, petition, or request. After USCIS receives your application 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	[page 2] ... Biometric Services Appointment Every individual who is an applicant, petitioner, derivative, beneficiary, or sponsor of an immigration benefit request or other request submitted to USCIS is required to submit biometrics unless USCIS waives or exempts the requirement. You will be notified of the time and place of your appointment if you must appear and you will be provided requirements for rescheduling if necessary. If you fail to submit any biometric as required, USCIS may deny your application, petition, or request. DHS may store the biometrics submitted by

	<p>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.</p> <p>If you are required to provide biometrics, at your appointment you must sign an oath reaffirming that:</p> <p>...</p> <p>3. All of this information was complete, true, and correct at the time of filing.</p> <p>If you fail to attend your biometric services appointment, USCIS may deny your application.</p> <p>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.</p>	<p>an individual and use or reuse biometrics to conduct background and security checks, including a check of criminal history records maintained by the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), verify identity, produce documents, determine eligibility for immigration and naturalization benefits, or to perform any other functions necessary for administering and enforcing immigration and naturalization laws, and any other law within DHS authority.</p> <p>If you are required to provide biometrics, at your appointment you must sign an oath reaffirming that:</p> <p>...</p> <p>3. All of this information was complete, true, and correct at the time of filing.</p> <p>[deleted]</p> <p>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.</p>
<p>Pages 3-5, Eligibility for Filing Form I-817</p>	<p>[page 3]</p> <p>...</p> <p>3. Your spouse or parent has a pending adjustment of status application or was granted adjustment of status under the LIFE Act;</p> <p>...</p>	<p>[page 3]</p> <p>...</p> <p>3. Your spouse or parent has a pending adjustment of status application or was granted adjustment of status under the LIFE Act;</p> <p>...</p>
<p>Pages 8-12, What Evidence Must You Submit?</p>	<p>[page 12]</p> <p>...</p> <p>E. A list of all your residences in the United States since your last Form I-817 was approved.; and</p>	<p>[page 12]</p> <p>...</p> <p>E. A list of all your residences in the United States since your last Form I-817 was approved.</p>

	<p>F. Fingerprints, if you were under 14 years of age when your last Form I-817 was approved, but are now 14 years of age or older, or if USCIS requests them, as part of the biometric services</p>	[deleted]
<p>Page 12, What Is the Filing Fee?</p>	<p>[page 12]</p> <p>What Is the Filing Fee?</p> <p>The filing fee for Form I-817 is \$600. A biometric services fee of \$85 is also required for applicants 14 years of age or older.</p> <p>...</p>	<p>[page 12]</p> <p>What Is the Filing Fee?</p> <p>The filing fee for Form I-817 is \$600. A biometric services fee of \$85 is also required.</p> <p>...</p>
<p>Page 13, Processing Information</p>	<p>[page 13]</p> <p>...</p> <p>Requests for Interview. We may request that you appear at a USCIS office for an interview based on your application. At the time of any interview or other appearance at a USCIS office, we may require that you provide your fingerprints, photograph, and/or signature to verify your identity and/or update background and security checks.</p> <p>...</p>	<p>[page 13]</p> <p>...</p> <p>Requests for Interview. We may request that you appear at a USCIS office for an interview based on your application. 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.</p> <p>...</p>
<p>Page 14, Paperwork Reduction Act</p>	<p>[Page 14]</p> <p>Paperwork Reduction Act</p> <p>An agency may not conduct or sponsor an information collection, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information, unless it displays a currently valid Office of Management and Budget (OMB) control number. The public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated at 2 hours, including the time for reviewing instructions, gathering the required documentation and information, completing the application, attaching necessary documentation, and submitting the application. The collection of biometrics is estimated to require 1 hour and 10 minutes. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions</p>	<p>[Page 14]</p> <p>Paperwork Reduction Act</p> <p>An agency may not conduct or sponsor an information collection, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information, unless it displays a currently valid Office of Management and Budget (OMB) control number. The public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated at 2 hours, including the time for reviewing instructions, gathering the required documentation and information, completing the application, attaching necessary documentation, and submitting the application. The collection of biometrics is estimated to require 3 hours and 40 minutes. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions</p>

	for reducing this burden, to: U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, Regulatory Coordination Division, Office of Policy and Strategy, 20 Massachusetts Ave NW, Washington, DC 20529-2140; OMB No. 1615-0005. Do not mail your completed Form I-817 to this address.	for reducing this burden, to: U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, Regulatory Coordination Division, Office of Policy and Strategy, 20 Massachusetts Ave NW, Washington, DC 20529-2140; OMB No. 1615-0005. Do not mail your completed Form I-817 to this address.
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