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Instructions for Form I-929, Petition for Qualifying Family Member of a U-1
Nonimmigrant
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Page 1, General Instructions	<p>[page 1]</p> <p>...</p> <p>Translations</p> <p>Any document containing a foreign language submitted to USCIS must be accompanied by a full English language translation which the translator has certified as complete and accurate, and by the translator's certification that he or she is competent to translate from the foreign language into English.</p> <p>[new]</p>	<p>[page 1]</p> <p>...</p> <p>Translations</p> <p>Any document containing a foreign language submitted to USCIS must be accompanied by a full English language translation which the translator has certified as complete and accurate, and by the translator's certification that he or she is competent to translate from the foreign language into English.</p> <p>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 biometrics as required, USCIS may deny your application, petition, or request.</p> <p>DHS may store the biometrics submitted by an individual and use or reuse biometrics to conduct background and security checks, including a check of criminal history</p>

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.

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.

Part 3. Biographic Information

Provide the biographic information requested in **Part 3., Item Numbers 1. - 6.** Providing this information as part of your application may reduce the time you spend at your USCIS ASC appointment as described in the **Biometric Services Appointment** section of these Instructions.

Item Numbers 1. - 2. Ethnicity and Race. Select the boxes that best describe your ethnicity and race.

Categories and Definitions for Ethnicity and Race

1. Hispanic or Latino. A person of Cuban, Mexican, Puerto Rican, South or Central American, or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race. (**NOTE:** This category is only included under Ethnicity in **Part 3., Item Number 1.**)

2. White. A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, the Middle East, or North Africa.

3. Asian. A person having origins in any

		<p>of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, or the Indian subcontinent including, for example, Cambodia, China, India, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Pakistan, the Philippine Islands, Thailand, and Vietnam.</p> <p>4. Black or African American. A person having origins in any of the black racial groups of Africa.</p> <p>5. American Indian or Alaska Native. A person having origins in any of the original peoples of North and South America (including Central America), and who maintains tribal affiliation or community attachment.</p> <p>6. Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander. A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Hawaii, Guam, Samoa, or other Pacific Islands.</p> <p>Item Number 3. Height. Select the values that best match your height in feet and inches. For example, if you are five feet and nine inches, select “5” for feet and “09” for inches. Do not enter your height in meters or centimeters.</p> <p>Item Number 4. Weight. Enter your weight in pounds. If you do not know your weight, or need to enter a weight under 30 pounds or over 699 pounds, enter “000.” Do not enter your weight in kilograms.</p> <p>Item Number 5. Eye Color. Select the box that best describes the color of your eyes.</p> <p>Item Number 6. Hair Color. Select the box that best describes the color of your hair.</p>
<p>Page 2, What Documents Do You Need to Demonstrate a Family Relationship?</p>	<p>[page 2]</p> <p>...</p> <p>Certain documents are required to be submitted with this petition to show that a relationship exists between you and your relative. In all cases, submit a recently taken clear photograph of the family member for whom you are filing, and if you are filing for:</p> <p>...</p>	<p>[page 2]</p> <p>...</p> <p>Certain documents are required to be submitted with this petition to show that a relationship exists between you and your relative. If you are filing for:</p> <p>...</p>

	<p>In either case, you must also submit copies of evidence that each child was in the legal custody of and resided with the parent(s) who adopted him or her for at least 2 years before or after adoption. Legal custody may only be granted by a court or recognized government entity and is usually granted at the time the adoption is finalized. However, if legal custody is granted by a court or recognized government agency prior to the adoption, that time may count to fulfill the 2-year legal custody requirement.</p> <p>[new]</p>	<p>In either case, you must also submit copies of evidence that each child was in the legal custody of and resided with the parent(s) who adopted him or her for at least 2 years before or after adoption. Legal custody may only be granted by a court or recognized government entity and is usually granted at the time the adoption is finalized. However, if legal custody is granted by a court or recognized government agency prior to the adoption, that time may count to fulfill the 2-year legal custody requirement.</p> <p>I. For parent-child relationships: USCIS may require that the petitioner submit other evidence of the claimed biological relationship, such as deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA) testing. USCIS will only accept DNA test results from laboratories accredited by the AABB (formerly the American Association of Blood Banks). A list of laboratories can be viewed at www.aabb.org/sa/facilities/Pages/RTes tAccrFac.aspx.</p>
<p>Page 4, What Is the Filing Fee?</p>	<p>[page 4]</p> <p>What Is the Filing Fee?</p> <p>The filing fee for Form I-929 is \$230.</p> <p>...</p>	<p>[page 4]</p> <p>What Is the Filing Fee?</p> <p>The filing fee for Form I-929 is \$230. A biometric services fee of \$85 is also required.</p> <p>...</p>
<p>Page 5, Paperwork Reduction Act</p>	<p>[page 5]</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 OMB control number. The public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated at 1 hour per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, and completing and submitting the form. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden to: U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services,</p>	<p>[page 5]</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 OMB control number. The public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated at 1 hour per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, and completing and submitting the form. The estimated public reporting burden for biometrics processing is 3 hours and 40 minutes. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden to:</p>

	Regulatory Coordination Division, Office of Policy and Strategy, 20Massachusetts Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20529-2140. OMB No. 1615-0106. Do not mail your completed Form I-929 to this address.	U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, Regulatory Coordination Division, Office of Policy and Strategy, 20Massachusetts Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20529-2140. OMB No. 1615-0106. Do not mail your completed Form I-929 to this address.
Page 5, Checklist	<p>[page 5]</p> <p>...</p> <p>Did you submit evidence to establish that discretion should be exercised?</p> <p>Did you submit the beneficiary's photo?</p> <p>Did you submit evidence to establish that discretion should be exercised?</p>	<p>[page 5]</p> <p>...</p> <p>Did you submit evidence to establish that discretion should be exercised?</p> <p>[deleted]</p> <p>Did you provide the beneficiary's address where he or she is residing now?</p>