

ELIGIBILITY TOOL COPY: QUESTIONS, INSTRUCTIONAL AND HELP TEXT, AND OTHER COPY

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| | | | Primary CTA | Secondary CTA | | |
| Check to see if you are eligible to apply to become a U.S. citizen through naturalization | | These questions are solely intended to help you determine whether you may be eligible to submit the Application for Naturalization (N-400). This tool does not determine if you are actually eligible for citizenship. After you submit your application, USCIS will review your information and determine if you are eligible for citizenship through naturalization. | Determine my eligibility | Go directly to the Application for Naturalization (N-400) | | |
| Are one or both of your parents a U.S. citizen? | Yes No | | Next | Back | If yes, end tool. | |
| How old are you? | 18 or older Under 18 | | Next | Back | All users will see this question. If <18, end tool. | |
| Are you a member of the U.S. armed forces? | Yes No | U.S. armed forces include the U.S. Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, and certain components of the National Guard and the Selected Reserve of the Ready Reserve. | Next | Back | If yes, shortcut to military questions | |
| Are you a lawful permanent resident? | Yes No | A lawful permanent resident is someone who is residing in the United States under a legally recognized and lawfully recorded permanent residence status. | Next | Back | | |
| When did you become a lawful permanent resident? | Before [5 years ago/Month day, year] Between [5 years ago/Month day, year] and [3 years ago/Month day, year] Neither of these apply to me | The date may be located on the front or back of your Permanent Resident Card (formerly known as the Alien Registration Card or referred to as the Green Card), depending on when the card was issued. | Next | Back | Only users who are permanent residents will see this question. | |
| Are you married to a U.S. citizen? | Yes No | | Next | Back | All users with 3-5 years of permanent residency will see this question. | |
| Have you left the country in the past [3 OR 5] years? | Yes No | | Next | Back | Users who have been an LPR for <5 years will see the 5 year date; users who have been an LPR for <3 years and are married to a U.S. citizen will see the 3 year date. | |
| Have any of your trips outside of the U.S. been longer than 6 months? | Yes No | | Next | Back | | |
| Have you moved in the past 3 months? | Yes No | | Next | Back | | |
| Have you been married for 3 years or longer? | Yes No | | Next | Back | Only users married to a U.S. citizen will see this question. | |
| Has your spouse been a U.S. citizen for 3 years or longer? | Yes No | | Next | Back | Only users married to a U.S. citizen will see this question. | |
| Did you serve honorably in active duty or reserve service in the Army, Marine Corps, or National Guard? | Yes, during a designated period of conflict Yes, for a year or more Neither of these apply to me | View the requirements for citizenship for military members/> for a complete list of periods of conflict. | Next | Back | Only military users will see this question. | 329 |
| Are you a U.S. national? | Yes No | | Next | Back | Only users who are not eligible under 5-year LPR or 3-year LPR + marriage to U.S. citizens will see this screen. | 325 |
| Select all that apply | I am an employee or an individual under contract to the U.S. government I am performing ministerial or priestly functions for a religious denomination or interdenominational organization with a valid presence in the United States I have been employed for 5 years or more by a U.S. nonprofit organization that principally promotes the interests of the United States abroad through the communications media I am employed by an American institution of research recognized by the Attorney General I am employed by an American-owned firm or corporation engaged in the development of foreign trade and commerce for the United States I am employed by a public international organization of which the United States is a member by law or treaty (and my employment began after I became a permanent resident) None of these apply to me | | Next | Back | Only users who have been permanent residents for 5 years will see this screen. | 316(b) |
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| Select all that apply | I am married to a member of the U.S. armed forces who is stationed and living overseas I am married to a U.S. citizen who is working overseas as an employee or individual under contract to the U.S. government I am married to a U.S. citizen who is working overseas as an employee of an American institution of research recognized by the Attorney General I am married to a U.S. citizen who is working overseas as an employee of an American-owned firm or corporation engaged in the development of foreign trade and commerce for the United States I am married to a U.S. citizen who is working overseas as an employee of a public international organization of which the United States is a member of by law or treaty I am married to a U.S. citizen who is working overseas as a person who performs ministerial or priestly functions for a religious denomination or an inter-denominational organization with a valid presence in the United States None of these apply to me | | Next | Back | Only users who are married, but not eligible under standard 5-year LPR or 3-year LPR + marriage to U.S. citizens will see this screen. | 319(e) |
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| Are you the spouse, child, or parent of a deceased service member who was a U.S. citizen? | Yes No | | Next | Back | | 319(d) |
| Are you currently authorized to accompany your spouse at his or her overseas station, and do you intend to naturalize while abroad? | Yes No | | Next | Back | | 319(e) |
| Do you intend to join your spouse at his or her overseas station after naturalization? | Yes No | | Next | Back | Only users married to a member of the U.S. armed forces OR another qualifying employee located overseas will see this question. | 319(b) |

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CTA/call to action

| Message # | Option # | INA Section | Title | Basis for Eligibility Message | Instructional Text | Primary CTA | Secondary CTA |
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| #1 | 1 | 316(a) | You may be eligible to apply for naturalization | You have been a lawful permanent resident for more than 5 years | Your eligibility will also depend on your ability to establish good moral character and your ability to meet the English and civics requirements for naturalization. | Go to the Application for Naturalization (N-400) | Start over |
| #1 | 2 | 319(a) | You may be eligible to apply for naturalization | You have been a lawful permanent resident for more than 3 years and your spouse is a U.S. citizen | You are required to have been married to and living with your spouse for the past 3 years and your spouse is required to have been a U.S. citizen for the past 3 years. Your eligibility will also depend on your ability to establish good moral character and your ability to meet the English and civics requirements for naturalization. | Go to the Application for Naturalization (N-400) | Start over |
| #1 | 4 | 319(d) | You may be eligible to apply for naturalization | You are the spouse, child, or parent of a deceased service member who was a U.S. citizen | If you are the spouse of a deceased service member who was a U.S. citizen, you are required to have been married to and living with your U.S. citizen spouse at the time of his or her death in order to be eligible as the spouse of a deceased service member . You are still eligible for naturalization if you remarry after your spouse's death. Your eligibility will also depend on your ability to establish good moral character and your ability to meet the English and civics requirements for naturalization. | Go to the Application for Naturalization (N-400) | Start over |
| #1 | 5 | 319(b) | You may be eligible to apply for naturalization | Your spouse is a U.S. citizen and is regularly engaged in qualifying employment overseas | You are required to be a lawful permanent resident at the time of your USCIS interview. Your eligibility will also depend on your ability to establish good moral character and your ability to meet the English and civics requirements for naturalization. | Go to the Application for Naturalization (N-400) | Start over |
| #1 | 6 | 325 | You may be eligible to apply for naturalization | You are a U.S. national from America Samoa or Swains Island | You are required to reside in a state in a USCIS service district for at least 3 months before filing your application. Any time you resided in America Samoa or Swains Island counts as time in the United States for the continuous residence. Your eligibility will also depend on your ability to establish good moral character and your ability to meet the English and civics requirements for naturalization. | Go to the Application for Naturalization (N-400) | Start over |
| #1 | 9 | 319(c) | You may be eligible to apply for naturalization | You have been a lawful permanent resident for more than 5 years and you are engaged in qualifying nonprofit employment | Your eligibility will also depend on your ability to establish good moral character and your ability to meet the English and civics requirements for naturalization. | Go to the Application for Naturalization (N-400) | Start over |
| #1 | 10 | 319(e) | You may be eligible to apply for naturalization | Your spouse is serving in the U.S. armed forces and stationed overseas, and you are authorized to accompany your spouse to the overseas station | You are required to have official military orders that authorize you to accompany your spouse to his or her overseas station in order to meet the continuous residence and physical presence requirements. You are also required to be a lawful permanent resident at the time of your USCIS interview. Your eligibility will also depend on your ability to establish good moral character and your ability to meet the English and civics requirements for naturalization. | Go to the Application for Naturalization (N-400) | Start over |
| #2 w/ appropriate BFE based on user selection | 329 | | You may be eligible to apply for naturalization | You served in the U.S. armed forces during a designated period of conflict, but military filers cannot apply for naturalization online yet | You should file the paper version of the Application for Naturalization (N-400). There is no application fee for military filers. You should also learn more about applying for naturalization as a military member. You are required to be a lawful permanent resident at the time of your interview or you must have been physically present at the time of enlistment, reenlistment, extension of service, or induction into the U.S. armed forces. Your eligibility will also depend on your ability to establish good moral character and your ability to meet the English and civics requirements for naturalization. | Go to the paper form | Start over |
| #2 w/ appropriate BFE based on user selection | 328 | | You may be eligible to apply for naturalization | You served in the U.S. armed forces for 1 year or more, but military filers cannot apply for naturalization online yet | You should file the paper version of the Application for Naturalization (N-400). There is no application fee for military filers. You should also learn more about applying for naturalization as a military member. You are required to be a lawful permanent resident at the time of your interview. Your eligibility will also depend on your ability to establish good moral character and your ability to meet the English and civics requirements for naturalization. | Go to the paper form | Start over |
| #4 | 1 | 319(a) | You may be eligible to apply for naturalization, depending on your travel history | You have been a lawful permanent resident for more than 3 years and your spouse is a U.S. citizen | Your eligibility may depend on the length of your international travel and the reason you were traveling. If you have been absent from the United States for one year or more, you are required to have an approved Application to Preserve Residence for Naturalization Purposes (Form N-470) before you apply for naturalization. You should learn more about continuous residence and physical presence requirements for naturalizations. You are also required to have been married to and living with your spouse for the past 3 years and your spouse is required to have been a U.S. citizen for the past 3 years. Your eligibility will also depend on your ability to establish good moral character and your ability to meet the English and civics requirements for naturalization. | Go to the Application for Naturalization (N-400) | Start over |
| #4 | 2 | 316(a) | You may be eligible to apply for naturalization, depending on your travel history | You have been a lawful permanent resident for more than 5 years | Your eligibility may depend on the length of your international travel and the reason you were traveling. If you have been absent from the United States for one year or more, you are required to have an approved Application to Preserve Residence for Naturalization Purposes (Form N-470) before you apply for naturalization. You should learn more about continuous residence and physical presence requirements for naturalizations. Your eligibility will also depend on your ability to establish good moral character and your ability to meet the English and civics requirements for naturalization. | Go to the Application for Naturalization (N-400) | Start over |
| #4 w/ appropriate BFE based on user selection | 7 | 316(b) | You may be eligible to apply for naturalization, depending on your travel history | You have been a lawful permanent resident for more than 5 years and you are an employee or individual under contract to the U.S. government | Your eligibility may depend on the length of your international travel and the reason you were traveling. If you have been absent from the United States for one year or more, you are required to have an approved Application to Preserve Residence for Naturalization Purposes (Form N-470) before you apply for naturalization. You should learn more about continuous residence and physical presence requirements for naturalizations. Your eligibility will also depend on your ability to establish good moral character and your ability to meet the English and civics requirements for naturalization. | Go to the Application for Naturalization (N-400) | Start over |

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| #4 w/ appropriate BFE based on user selection | 8 | 317 | You may be eligible to apply for naturalization, depending on your travel history | You have been a lawful permanent resident for more than 5 years and you are fulfilling religious duties | Your eligibility may depend on the length of your international travel and the reason you were traveling. If you have been absent from the United States for one year or more, you are required to have an approved Application to Preserve Residence for Naturalization Purposes (Form N-470) before you apply for naturalization. You should learn more about continuous residence and physical presence requirements for naturalization . | Go to the Application for Naturalization (N-400) | Start over | |
| #4 w/ appropriate BFE based on user selection | 11 | 316(b) | You may be eligible to apply for naturalization, depending on your travel history | You have been a lawful permanent resident for more than 5 years and you are employed by an American research institution | Your eligibility may depend on the length of your international travel and the reason you were traveling. If you have been absent from the United States for one year or more, you are required to have an approved Application to Preserve Residence for Naturalization Purposes (Form N-470) before you apply for naturalization. You should learn more about continuous residence and physical presence requirements for naturalization . | Go to the Application for Naturalization (N-400) | Start over | |
| #4 w/ appropriate BFE based on user selection | 12 | 316(b) | You may be eligible to apply for naturalization, depending on your travel history | You have been a lawful permanent resident for more than 5 years and you are employed by an American company engaged in developing foreign trade and commerce for the United States | Your eligibility may depend on the length of your international travel and the reason you were traveling. If you have been absent from the United States for one year or more, you are required to have an approved Application to Preserve Residence for Naturalization Purposes (Form N-470) before you apply for naturalization. You should learn more about continuous residence and physical presence requirements for naturalization . | Go to the Application for Naturalization (N-400) | Start over | |
| #4 w/ appropriate BFE based on user selection | 13 | 316(b) | You may be eligible to apply for naturalization, depending on your travel history | You have been a lawful permanent resident for more than 5 years and you are employed by a public international organization of which the United States is a member | Your eligibility may depend on the length of your international travel and the reason you were traveling. If you have been absent from the United States for one year or more, you are required to have an approved Application to Preserve Residence for Naturalization Purposes (Form N-470) before you apply for naturalization. You should learn more about continuous residence and physical presence requirements for naturalization . | Go to the Application for Naturalization (N-400) | Start over | |
| #5 | 1 | 319(a) | You may be eligible to apply for naturalization, depending on where you moved from | You have been a lawful permanent resident for more than 3 years and your spouse is a U.S. citizen | Your eligibility may depend on where you moved from. If you moved to a new USCIS service district or state in the last 3 months, you need to wait until you have lived in the new location for 3 months before filing. You should learn more about USCIS service districts . | Go to the Application for Naturalization (N-400) | Start over | |
| #5 | 2 | 316(a) | You may be eligible to apply for naturalization, depending on where you moved from | You have been a lawful permanent resident for more than 5 years | You are also required to have been married to and living with your spouse for the past 3 years and your spouse is required to have been a U.S. citizen for the past 3 years. | Your eligibility may depend on where you moved from. If you moved to a new USCIS service district or state in the last 3 months, you need to wait until you have lived in the new location for 3 months before filing. You should learn more about USCIS service districts . | Go to the Application for Naturalization (N-400) | Start over |
| #6 | 1 | 316(a) | You may be eligible to apply for naturalization, depending on your travel history and where you moved from | You have been a lawful permanent resident for more than 5 years | Your eligibility will also depend on your ability to establish good moral character and your ability to meet the English and civics requirements for naturalization . | Go to the Application for Naturalization (N-400) | Start over | |
| #6 | 7 | 316(b) | You may be eligible to apply for naturalization, depending on your travel history and where you moved from | You have been a lawful permanent resident for more than 5 years and you are an employee or individual under contract to the U.S. government | Your eligibility may depend on where you moved from. If you moved to a new USCIS service district or state in the last 3 months, you need to wait until you have lived in the new location for 3 months before filing. You should learn more about USCIS service districts . | Your eligibility may depend on the length of your international travel and the reason you were traveling. If you have been absent from the United States for one year or more, you are required to have an approved Application to Preserve Residence for Naturalization Purposes (Form N-470) before you apply for naturalization. You should learn more about continuous residence and physical presence requirements for naturalization . | Go to the Application for Naturalization (N-400) | Start over |
| #6 | 8 | 317 | You may be eligible to apply for naturalization, depending on your travel history and where you moved from | You have been a lawful permanent resident for more than 5 years and you are fulfilling religious duties | Your eligibility will also depend on your ability to establish good moral character and your ability to meet the English and civics requirements for naturalization . | Your eligibility may depend on the length of your international travel and the reason you were traveling. If you have been absent from the United States for one year or more, you are required to have an approved Application to Preserve Residence for Naturalization Purposes (Form N-470) before you apply for naturalization. You should learn more about continuous residence and physical presence requirements for naturalization . | Go to the Application for Naturalization (N-400) | Start over |

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| | | | | <p>Your eligibility will also depend on your ability to establish good moral character and your ability to meet the English and civics requirements for naturalization.</p> | | | |
| #6 | 11 | 316(b) | You may be eligible to apply for naturalization, depending on your travel history and where you moved from | You have been a lawful permanent resident for more than 5 years and you are employed by an American research institution | <p>Your eligibility may depend on the length of your international travel and the reason you were traveling. If you have been absent from the United States for one year or more, you are required to have an approved Application to Preserve Residence for Naturalization Purposes (Form N-470) before you apply for naturalization. You should learn more about continuous residence and physical presence requirements for naturalization.</p> <p>Your eligibility may depend on where you moved from. If you moved to a new USCIS service district or state in the last 3 months, you need to wait until you have lived in the new location for 3 months before filing. You should learn more about USCIS service districts.</p> <p>Your eligibility will also depend on your ability to establish good moral character and your ability to meet the English and civics requirements for naturalization.</p> | Go to the Application for Naturalization (N-400) | Start over |
| #6 | 12 | 316(b) | You may be eligible to apply for naturalization, depending on your travel history and where you moved from | You have been a lawful permanent resident for more than 5 years and you are employed by an American company engaged in developing foreign trade and commerce for the United States | <p>Your eligibility may depend on the length of your international travel and the reason you were traveling. If you have been absent from the United States for one year or more, you are required to have an approved Application to Preserve Residence for Naturalization Purposes (Form N-470) before you apply for naturalization. You should learn more about continuous residence and physical presence requirements for naturalization.</p> <p>Your eligibility may depend on where you moved from. If you moved to a new USCIS service district or state in the last 3 months, you need to wait until you have lived in the new location for 3 months before filing. You should learn more about USCIS service districts.</p> <p>Your eligibility will also depend on your ability to establish good moral character and your ability to meet the English and civics requirements for naturalization.</p> | Go to the Application for Naturalization (N-400) | Start over |
| #6 | 13 | 316(b) | You may be eligible to apply for naturalization, depending on your travel history and where you moved from | You have been a lawful permanent resident for more than 5 years and you are employed by a public international organization of which the United States is a member | <p>Your eligibility may depend on the length of your international travel and the reason you were traveling. If you have been absent from the United States for one year or more, you are required to have an approved Application to Preserve Residence for Naturalization Purposes (Form N-470) before you apply for naturalization. You should learn more about continuous residence and physical presence requirements for naturalization.</p> <p>Your eligibility may depend on where you moved from. If you moved to a new USCIS service district or state in the last 3 months, you need to wait until you have lived in the new location for 3 months before filing. You should learn more about USCIS service districts.</p> <p>Your eligibility will also depend on your ability to establish good moral character and your ability to meet the English and civics requirements for naturalization.</p> | Go to the Application for Naturalization (N-400) | Start over |
| #6 | 2 | 319(a) | You may be eligible to apply for naturalization, depending on your travel history and where you moved from | You have been a lawful permanent resident for more than 3 years and your spouse is a U.S. citizen | <p>Your eligibility may depend on the length of your international travel and the reason you were traveling. If you have been absent from the United States for one year or more, you are required to have an approved Application to Preserve Residence for Naturalization Purposes (Form N-470) before you apply for naturalization. You should learn more about continuous residence and physical presence requirements for naturalization.</p> <p>Your eligibility may depend on where you moved from. If you moved to a new USCIS service district or state in the last 3 months, you need to wait until you have lived in the new location for 3 months before filing. You should learn more about USCIS service districts.</p> <p>Your eligibility will also depend on your ability to establish good moral character and your ability to meet the English and civics requirements for naturalization.</p> | Go to the Application for Naturalization (N-400) | Start over |
| #3 | | 320 | You may already be a U.S. citizen | | <p>You may need to file a different application if one or both of your parents were U.S. citizens. You may file the Application for Certificate of Citizenship (N-600) if you were born abroad and one or both of your parents was U.S. citizens. You may also file an application if you became a U.S. citizen by operation of law after your birth. You should learn more about obtaining citizenship through your parents.</p> | Go to the Application for Naturalization (N-400) | Start over |
| #10 | | | You may not be eligible to apply for naturalization at this time | | <p>Learn more about the path to U.S. citizenship https://www.uscis.gov/us-citizenship/citizenship-through-naturalization/path-us-citizenship</p> | Go to the Application for Naturalization (N-400) anyway | Start over |
| #9 | | | You may not be eligible to apply for naturalization at this time | In order to apply for naturalization based on your spouse's overseas employment, you must intend to join him or her overseas. | <p>Learn more about the path to U.S. citizenship https://www.uscis.gov/us-citizenship/citizenship-through-naturalization/path-us-citizenship</p> | Go to the Application for Naturalization (N-400) anyway | Start over |
| #7 | | | You may not be eligible to apply for naturalization at this time | You may not be able to apply for naturalization as the spouse of a U.S. citizen because you have not met one of the requirements. | <p>Learn more about the path to U.S. citizenship https://www.uscis.gov/us-citizenship/citizenship-through-naturalization/path-us-citizenship</p> | Go to the Application for Naturalization (N-400) anyway | Start over |