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**Form N-470, Application to Preserve Residence for Naturalization Purposes**  
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<b>Page 2-3, General Instructions</b>	<p>[Page 2]</p> <p><b>General Instructions</b></p> <p>...</p> <p><b>Filing Fee.</b> Each application must be accompanied by the appropriate filing fee. (See the <b>What Is the Filing Fee</b> section of these Instructions.)</p> <p><b>Biometric Services Fee.</b> If you file this application with USCIS, you do not need to include a biometric services fee at the time you submit your application. If you are later notified that you must submit biometrics, you will receive a biometric services appointment notice with instructions on how to submit the additional biometric services fee. If you file this application with an agency other than USCIS, please check with that agency to determine if and when you must submit a biometric services fee.</p> <p><b>Evidence.</b> At the time of filing, you must submit all evidence and supporting documentation listed in the <b>Specific Instructions</b> and/or <b>What Evidence Must You Submit</b> sections of these Instructions.</p> <p>...</p>	<p>[Page 2]</p> <p><b>General Instructions</b></p> <p>...</p> <p><b>Filing Fee.</b> See Form G-1055, available at <a href="http://www.uscis.gov/forms">www.uscis.gov/forms</a>, for specific information about the fees applicable to this form.</p> <p>[deleted]</p> <p><b>Evidence.</b> At the time of filing, you must submit all evidence and supporting documentation listed in the <b>Specific Instructions</b> and/or <b>What Evidence Must You Submit</b> sections of these Instructions.</p> <p>...</p>
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<p><b>Page 6-7, What Is the Filing Fee?</b></p>	<p><b>[Page 6]</b></p> <p><b>What Is the Filing Fee?</b></p> <p>The filing fee for Form N-470 is <b>\$355.</b></p> <p><b>NOTE:</b> The filing fee is not refundable, regardless of any action USCIS takes on this application. <b>DO NOT MAIL CASH.</b> You must submit all fees in the exact amounts.</p> <p><b>Use the following guidelines when you prepare your check or money order for the Form N-470 filing fee:</b></p> <p><b>1.</b> The check or money order must be drawn on a bank or other financial</p>	<p><b>[deleted]</b></p>

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.”

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.

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**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 N-470’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

	<p>2. Call the USCIS National Customer Service Center at <b>1-800-375-5283</b> and ask for fee information. For TTY (deaf or hard of hearing) call: <b>1-800-767-1833</b>.</p> <p><b>NOTE:</b> If your Form N-470 requires payment of a biometric services fee for USCIS to take your fingerprints, photograph, and/or signature, you can use the same procedure to obtain the correct biometric services fee.</p> <p><b>Fee Waiver</b></p> <p>You may be eligible for a fee waiver under 8 CFR 103.7(c). If you believe you are eligible for a fee waiver, complete Form I-912, Request for Fee Waiver, and submit it and any required evidence of your inability to pay the filing fee with this application. You can review the fee waiver guidance at <a href="http://www.uscis.gov/feewaiver">www.uscis.gov/feewaiver</a>.</p> <p><b>Re-filing Form N-470</b></p> <p>If USCIS denied your previously filed Form N-470 and you are filing a new Form N-470, you must pay the filing fee. <b>Otherwise, USCIS will not accept your Form N-470. USCIS cannot apply a previously submitted filing fee amount to a newly filed Form N-470.</b></p>	
<p><b>Page 7, Where to File?</b></p>	<p>[Page 7]</p> <p><b>Where to File?</b></p> <p>Please see our website at <a href="http://www.uscis.gov/N-470">www.uscis.gov/N-470</a> or call the USCIS Contact Center at <b>1-800-375-5283</b> for the most current information about where to file this application. For TTY (deaf or hard of hearing) call: <b>1-800-767-1833</b>.</p>	<p>[Page 7]</p> <p><b>Where to File?</b></p> <p>Please see our website at <a href="http://www.uscis.gov/N-470">www.uscis.gov/N-470</a> or call the USCIS Contact Center at <b>1-800-375-5283</b> for the most current information about where to file this application. For TTY (deaf or hard of hearing) call: <b>1-800-767-1833</b>.</p>
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<p><b>Page 9, Paperwork Reduction Act</b></p>	<p><b>[Page 9]</b></p> <p><b>Paperwork Reduction Act</b></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 36 minutes per response including the time for reviewing instructions, gathering the required documentation and information, completing the application, preparing statements, 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 for reducing this burden, to: U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, Office of Policy and Strategy, Regulatory Coordination Division, 5900 Capital Gateway Drive, Mail Stop #2140, Camp Springs, MD 20588-0009; OMB No.1615-0056. <b>Do not mail your completed Form N-470 to this address.</b></p>	<p><b>[Page 9]</b></p> <p><b>Paperwork Reduction Act</b></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 <b>0.417 hours</b> per response including the time for reviewing instructions, gathering the required documentation and information, completing the application, preparing statements, 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 for reducing this burden, to: U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, Office of Policy and Strategy, Regulatory Coordination Division, 5900 Capital Gateway Drive, Mail Stop #2140, Camp Springs, MD 20588-0009; OMB No.1615-0056. <b>Do not mail your completed Form N-470 to this address.</b></p>