

FY 2025 H-1B ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION PROCESS



Today's presentation will cover





- Review of Organizational Accounts
- Updates for FY25 H-1B Electronic Registration
- USCIS Online Account Creation
- Important Reminders
- New Features
- Key Dates and Information to Remember
- Questions and Answers

Improved H-1B Registration Process



- New regulations for FY2025 cap
- Integrity
- Beneficiary centric selection
- One passport or travel document for each prospective beneficiary



USCIS Online Account Enhancements





Online collaboration within groups

Shared access to H-1B registrations, I-129 and G-28



Fully electronic H-1B/I-129 process

From registration through final decision & transmission to DOS



Streamlined digital handshake & G-28

Simplified interface to reduce burden and improve UX



Permissions-based roles

Encourages proper account creation and usage



Scalable

Foundational for future groups and permission structures, i.e., family groups

Who Benefits?





- Prospective petitioning companies & organizations
 - HR professionals
 - Signatories working on behalf of companies & organizations
- Legal representatives and paralegals working on behalf of companies & organizations

Company Groups and Legal Teams



Companies have one or more Company Groups

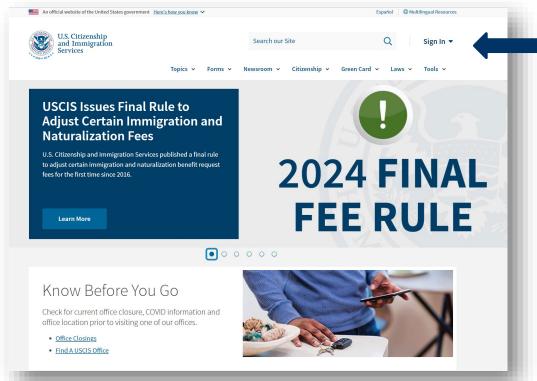


Legal representatives have a **Legal Team**



Creating Your USCIS Online Account



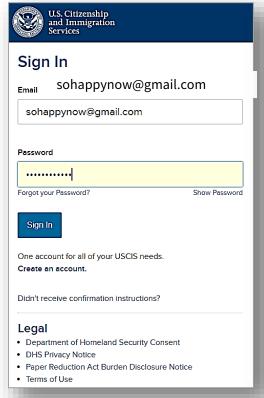


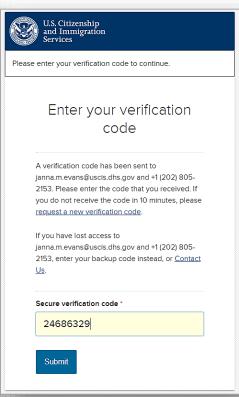
Create an account or sign in here:

- www.uscis.gov
- my.uscis.gov
- myaccount.uscis.gov

Creating Your USCIS Online Account, Cont.





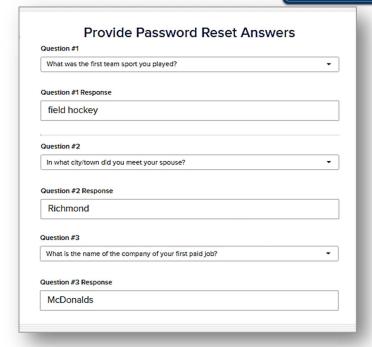


- 1. Go to my.uscis.gov
- 2. Select "Create an account"
- 3. Enter email address twice
- 4. System will send you a link
- Click on link, enter email address& password
- 6. System will send one-time PIN via text or email
- 7. Enter the PIN

Account Recovery



Two-Step Verification Backup Code If you lose access to your authentication device (you get a new mobile device or change your phone number), you can use this backup code to login to your USCIS account. If you change and confirm a new two-step verification method preference, your old code will no longer work. Please print or save a copy of this code, and store it somewhere safe so that you are not locked out of your account. Your backup code is: 3a1778dca0 Export As PDF Proceed



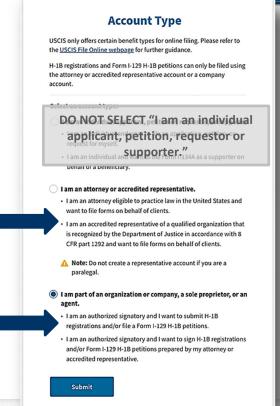


Save your backup code and password reset answers!

Account Types for H-1B Registration and Filing

U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services

- Representative account—Select this if you are a legal representative, and prospective petitioning entity is your client
- 2. Organizational account—Select this if you work for prospective petitioning company/entity
 - HR professional
 - In-house counsel



Legal Representatives

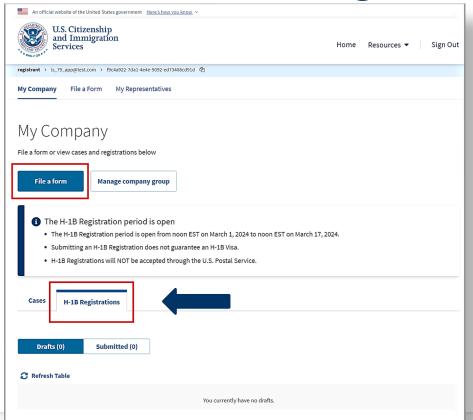


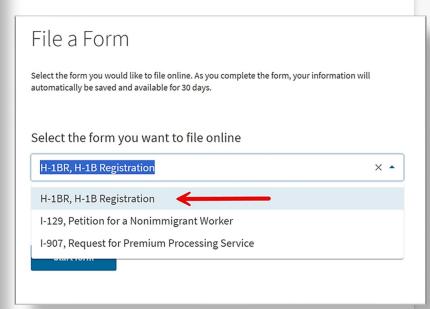
- Overview of legal representative experience
- What type of account you need
- Submitting Form G-28
- Working with the company



H-1B Electronic Registration







H-1B Registration Overview Page



H-1B Registration

A U.S. employer or agent (prospective petitioner) who seeks to obtain H-1B nonimmigrant classification on behalf of an individual subject to the H-1B numerical allocations will need to submit a registration during a designated registration period, unless the registration requirement is suspended by USCIS. A petitioner may only submit one registration per beneficiary in any fiscal year. If USCIS believes that related entities (including, but not limited to, a parent company, subsidiary, or affiliate) may not have a legitimate business need to file or submit more than one H-1B petition or registration on behalf of the same alien subject to the numerical limitations of section 214(g)(1)(A) of the Act or otherwise eligible for an exemption under section 214(g)(5)(C) of the Act, USCIS may issue a request for evidence, notice of intent to deny, or notice of intent to revoke the approval of each petition. Each registration must identify, among other things, the beneficiary's name and valid passport information (including passport number, country of issuance, and expiration date). Each beneficiary may be registered under only one passport.

Prospective petitioners, or their attorneys or accredited representatives, may submit up to 250 registrations per submission.

The annual initial registration period will last a minimum of 14 calendar days and will start at least 14 calendar days before the earliest date on which H-1B cap-subject petitions may be filed for a particular fiscal year.

If a sufficient number of registrations for unique beneficiaries projected as needed to reach the H-1B regular cap have not been received within the initial registration period, USCIS will notify all registrants who have properly registered that their registrations for unique beneficiaries have been selected. USCIS will keep registration open past the initial registration period until USCIS has determined that it has received enough registrations for unique beneficiaries projected as needed to meet the H-1B regular cap.

After the end of the initial registration period, if USCIs has received more registrations for unique beneficiaries than needed to meet the projected number of registrations to reach the regular cap, we will randomly select a sufficient number of registrations for unique beneficiaries. A similar process will apply for those who may be eligible for the advanced degree exemption. Once USCIS selects a registration for a unique beneficiary, all registrations for that beneficiary will be selected and eligible to file a Form I-129, Petition for a Nonimmigrant Worker, may then be filed by the petitioner based on a selected registration to request classification of the beneficiary as an H-1B worker.

USCIS may deny or revoke the approval of an H-1B petition if it determines that the fee associated with the registration is declined, not reconciled, disputed, or otherwise invalid after submission. The registration fee is non-refundable and due at the time the registration is submitted.



Before You Start Your Registration

■ Eligibility

A U.S. employer or agent may file H-1B cap petitions, and as such, will be required to submit an H-1B registration to be eligible to file the H-1B cap petition.

U.S. Employers: Person or entity in the United States that:

- · Has a bona fide job offer for the beneficiary to work within the United States;
- Has a legal presence in the United States and is amenable to service of process in the United States and
- Has an Internal Revenue Service (IRS) tax identification number.

Agents: A U.S. individual or company in business as an agent may file an H-1B Registration for workers who are traditionally self-employed or workers who use agents to arrange short-term employment on their behalf with numerous employers, and in cases where a foreign employer authorizes the agent to act on its behalf.

🖆 Duplicates

A registrant (prospective petitioner) may only submit one registration per beneficiary in any fiscal year. If a registrant, or their authorized attorney or representative, submits more than one registration per beneficiary in the same fiscal year, all registrations filed by that registrant, or on their behalf by their authorized attorney or representative, related to the beneficiary for the fiscal year will be considered invalid, and USCIS may deny or revoke the approval of any petition filed for the beneficiary based on those registrations.

Fee

Fee: \$10 per registration

We will send you to Pay.gov, our safe, secure payment website, to make your payment and submit your registration(s) online.

Important Payment Requirements:

When paying with check please be sure to enter the bank routing number and bank account number accurately. While the status of the registration(s) in the system will indicate "submitted" following completion of the Pay.gov payment process, your H-18 registration(s) will be invalidated if the payment does not clear.

If payment is completed with a credit card or debit card the status of the registration(s) in the system will indicate "submitted' following completion of the Pay.gov payment process. However, your H-1B registration(s) will be invalidated if the payment does not clear or the payment is later declined or disputed.

Money orders, certified bank checks, and non-reloadable debit cards cannot be used as a form of payment in the Pay.gov system.

If you use a business checking account to make your payment please ensure that your institution does not restrict or block ACH Payments for this service. If your business checking account is restricted your payment will declined and your registration(s) will be invalidated.

USCIS Refund Policy

USCIS does not refund fees, regardless of any action we take on your submission, application, petition, or request, or how long USCIS takes to reach a decision.

By continuing this transaction, you acknowledge that you must submit fees in the exact amount and that you are paying the fees for a government service.

Please refer to the instructions for the form(s) you are filing for additional information or you may call the USCIS Contact Center at 800-375-5283. For TTY (deaf or hard of hearing) 800-767-1833.



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USCIS Online Account





Completing Your Registration Online

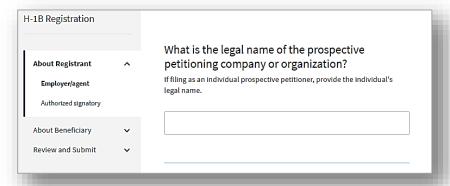
🖺 We will automatically save your responses

We will automatically save your information when you select "next" to go to a new page or navigate to another section of the registration system. We will save your draft information until the initial registration period closes.

- Your entries are saved automatically
- Sign out when you want to, you can resume where you left off
- You must SUBMIT before noon Eastern on March 22, 2024

Information About Registrant



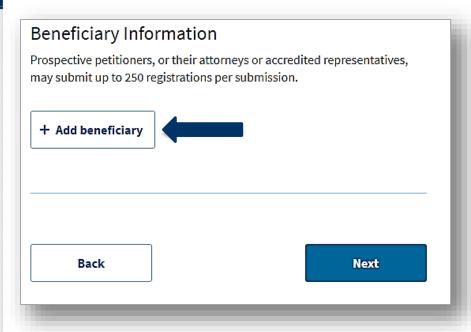


Provide information about registrant (prospective petitioner):

- Legal name
- "Doing Business As" name
- Employer ID number
- Primary U.S. office address

Information About Beneficiary(ies)



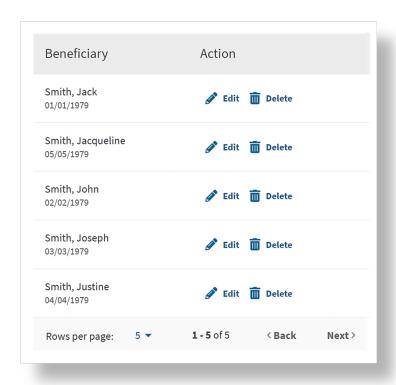


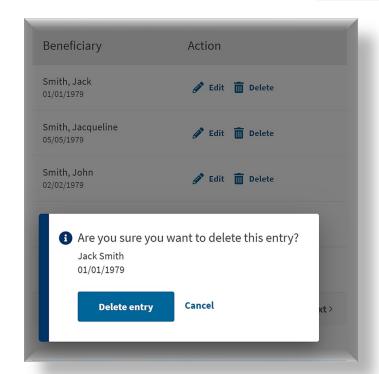
Information needed for each prospective beneficiary

- Full name
- Gender
- Date of birth
- Country of birth
- Country of citizenship
- Passport/Travel document number, country of issuance, and expiration date

Information About Beneficiary(ies), Cont.







New This Year—Passport or Travel Document



- Must provide beneficiary's passport or travel document information.
- The passport or travel document provided must be the one the beneficiary, if or when abroad, intends to use to enter the United States if issued an H-1B visa.
- Each beneficiary must be registered under only one passport or travel document.



Duplicate Checker

- Using the duplicate checker is optional
- Ultimate responsibility for duplicates lies with registrant, not USCIS
- USCIS may identify additional duplicates later in process

Check your registration(s) for duplicates.

(This process is optional)

A registrant (prospective petitioner), or their authorized attorney or representative, may only submit one registration per beneficiary in any fiscal year. If a registrant, or their authorized attorney or representative, submits more than one registration per beneficiary in the same fiscal year, we will invalidate all registrations submitted by that registrant, or on their behalf by their authorized attorney or representative, related to the beneficiary for the fiscal year. Before you submit your registration(s), you can check if the registrant named in this submission previously submitted a registration for any of the beneficiaries included in this submission for the same fiscal year.

To check your registration(s) for duplicates, you must provide your Employer Identification Number (EIN) on the "About Registrant" page and add at least one beneficiary on the "About Beneficiary" page. Then, select the "Check for duplicates" button to perform the check. A duplicate will be found if you or another person already submitted a registration for the beneficiary on behalf of your organization for the same fiscal year.

Once the check is complete, you can review the list of beneficiaries who have duplicates on the previous page. We recommend staying on this page until the check is complete. If you add beneficiaries after performing this check, you can perform the check again.

Note: Using this check does not guarantee that duplicates will not be identified by USCIS at a later date. This check will compare the beneficiaries listed in this draft with any registrations previously submitted during this registration period. It will not check for duplicates within this draft or between drafts. You can review the list of beneficiaries you included on the previous page (or on the spreadsheet on your account homepage) to make sure you have not entered a beneficiary more than once. Even if utilizing this check, the burden is still on the registrant to ensure that no duplicate registrations are submitted.

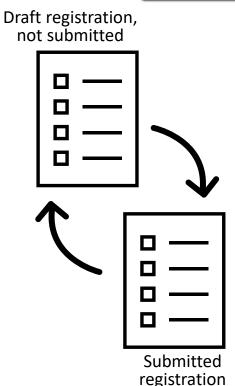
Check for duplicates



Running the Duplicate Checker

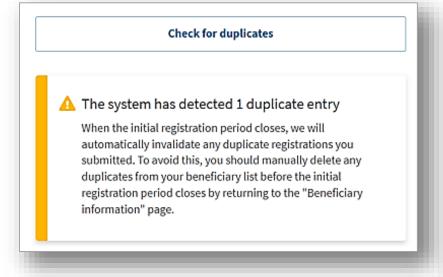


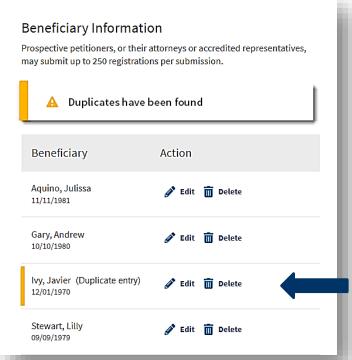
- Tool compares registrations listed in a draft with registrations already submitted by employer this fiscal year
- Employer must have already submitted (and paid for) a registration for the tool to find duplicates
- Tool does not check for duplicates within the current draft or between drafts prepared by different people



Duplicate Checker – Alerts

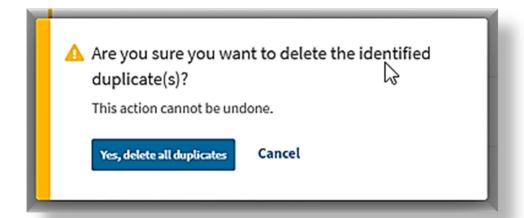






Deleting Duplicates

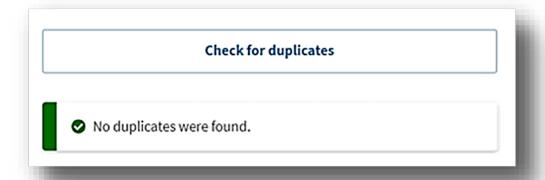




When the tool identifies a duplicate, and you opt to delete it, this removes the duplicate from the current draft, not in registrations you already submitted.

Duplicate Checker – Alerts, Cont.





- If no duplicates are found, you will see this green alert
- We encourage you to review all registrations carefully, every time, before and after you submit

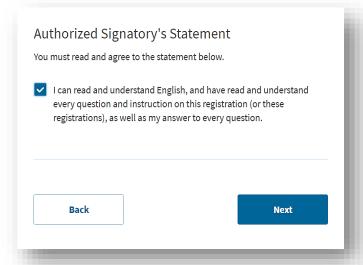
Check for Duplicates with .CSV File

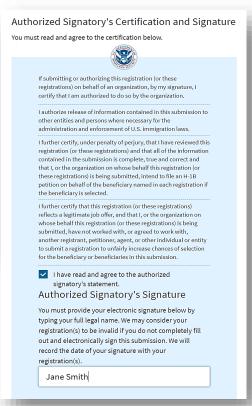


Manager Boca Sea Outf You need to continue View CSV of beneficiary to	e filling out your registration.	
Beneficiaries	Status	Action
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Gary, Andrew 10/10/1980	In progress	N/A
lvy, Javier 12/01/1970	In progress	N/A
Stewart, Lilly 09/09/1979	In progress	N/A
Continue registration	Delete registration	

Certification & Signature







- Users must attest that submissions are complete and true, and job offers are legitimate
- Signature is required

Pay & Submit

- Pay.gov is safe and secure
- Pay with credit card or U.S. bank account
- Submit





We will send you to Pay.gov — our safe, secure payment website — to make your payment and submit your registration(s) online.

Here are the steps in the payment and submission process:

- 1. Provide your billing information on Pay.gov
- 2. Provide your credit card or U.S. bank account information
- 3. Submit your payment

When you have paid your fee, your registration(s) will be submitted.

Pay.gov will redirect you to a uscis.gov confirmation screen, which will include your receipt number. Please keep a copy of your receipt number for your records. You can track the status of your registration(s) through your USCIS online account.

Pay and submit

Pay & Submit, Cont.

Temporary increase in daily credit card transaction limit from \$24,999.99 to **\$39,999.99**



Pay for and submit your registration(s)

The final step to submit your H-1B registration(s) is to pay the required fee.

Your submission fee is: \$10.

Refund policy: USCIS does not refund fees, regardless of any action we take on your submission, application, petition, or request, or how long USCIS takes to reach a decision. By continuing this transaction, you acknowledge that you must submit fees in the exact amount and that you are paying the fees for a government service.

If your payment is declined, rejected, disputed, or canceled after submission, USCIS will consider all registrations submitted in the *t*ransaction invalid.

1 There is a transaction limit for credit cards for the FY 2025 H-1B cap of \$39,999.99, per credit card per day.

Alternatively, you may pay now for your registrations using one of the following from a financial institution located in the United States:

- · Different credit card;
- · Checking account; or
- · Debit card.

Successful Submission



You have successfully submitted your H-1B registration(s).

You have successfully submitted your H-1B registration(s).

We will notify you when the selection process has ended. You can track the status of your registration(s) through your USCIS account.

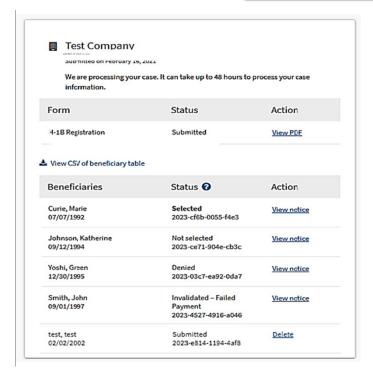
Each beneficiary has been assigned a confirmation number. This number is only associated with the submitted registration and cannot be used to track case status using Case Status Online.

Go to account home

Tracking Registrations and Notices



- You cannot use Case Status Online to check beneficiary confirmation number
- You must check status of H-1B registration(s) through your account
- USCIS will post notices to your account
- You can turn on automatic case notifications



Duplicates After Submission



If you find duplicates after submission...

And initial registration period is **still open** (before **noon** Eastern on March 22nd)

You can go into your account and delete extra submissions until there
is only one registration per beneficiary. We do not refund the \$10 fee
you paid.

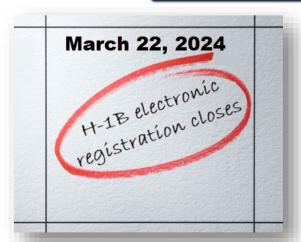
And initial registration period has closed (after noon Eastern on March 22nd)

 There is no way to correct this error. We will remove all registrations for that particular beneficiary submitted by that prospective petitioner.
 We do not refund the \$10 fee you paid.

Registration Period Timelines



- Target date: Feb. 28: New organizational accounts can be created
- March 6, 12 p.m. (Eastern): H-1B registration period opens, registrations can be created/submitted
- March 22, 12 p.m. (Eastern): H-1B registration period closes, no more registrations can be submitted
- March 31: USCIS intends to issue selection notifications through USCIS online account by this date
- April 1: Earliest date that FY25 H-1B cap-subject petitions can be filed.



Learn More



Frequently Asked Questions About Organizational Accounts (on our H-1B page)
 uscis.gov/working-in-the-united-states/temporary-workers/h-1b-specialty-occupations-and-fashion-models/organizational-accounts-frequently-asked-questions

• USCIS YouTube Channel: <u>www.youtube.com/USCIS</u>

USCIS Electronic Reading Room: <u>uscis.gov/records/electronic-reading-room</u>

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• Submit topics for Tech Talks: myUSCISoutreach@uscis.dhs.gov

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 provide feedback, and find local events



H-1B Electronic Registration Helpful Links & Resources



Account sign up/login page:

my.uscis.gov or www.uscis.gov

Help with account creation:

uscis.gov/file-online

Technical support, including:

- Password resets
- Account lockouts
- Update your verification code delivery method

my.uscis.gov/account/needhelp

H-1B Electronic Registration Process Webpage: uscis.gov/h-1b

For technical issues related to the USCIS
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