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USCIS Update

USCIS Implements New Application and Petition Fee Schedule Today *Adjustment of status applicants eligible under July Visa Bulletin exempt from new fees*

WASHINGTON—U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) reminds the public that its new fee schedule is effective today, July 30, 2007. Applications or petitions postmarked or otherwise filed on or after today must include the new fee. USCIS will reject applications or petitions containing an incorrect fee.

USCIS announced the new fee schedule in May 2007 following a comprehensive review of nearly 4,000 public comments. The final fee schedule includes a reduction in fees for some families applying for adjustment of status, expands fee waiver and exemption eligibility, allows a one-time free extension of orphan petitions for prospective adoptive parents, and replaces old fees on various petitions and applications with new fees that ensure appropriate funding to meet national security requirements and customer service needs, and modernize an outdated business infrastructure.

For more information concerning the final fee schedule, visit USCIS' Web site at www.uscis.gov/21stCenturyService. There, you'll learn how USCIS will "Build an Immigration Service for the 21st Century" based upon this new fee structure.

USCIS' official fee schedule (Publication G-1055) is available for review and downloading at <http://www.uscis.gov/fees>.

As [announced](#) on July 17, 2007, the only applicants temporarily exempt from the new fee schedule are those who are eligible to apply for employment-based adjustment of status (Form I-485) under the Department of State's July Visa Bulletin No. 107. Detailed information for these filers is available on a special page on the USCIS Web site titled [Information on Employment-based Adjustment Applications](#).

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