CURRENT U.S. BIOMETRIC EXIT PROCEDURES FOR INTERNATIONAL VISITORS AT AIRPORTS AND SEAPORTS

Upon Departure

When leaving the United States, international visitors should return their paper Form I-94 (Arrival-Departure Record) or Form I-94W to an airline or ship representative. By returning the form, international visitors have completed the U.S. entry-exit process. International visitors are not currently required to check out at a biometric exit kiosk.

However, in the future those international visitors who provide biometrics when they enter the United States will also be required to provide biometrics when departing the United States.
On April 24, 2008, the Department of Homeland Security proposed draft regulations to establish biometric exit procedures at U.S. airports and seaports. After the regulations are finalized, deployment is expected to begin in 2009. Visitors will be notified about the new requirements before they take effect.

US-VISIT provides biometric identification and analysis services to federal, state and local agencies. Most international visitors between the ages of 14 and 79 who hold a non-U.S. passport or visa and apply to enter the United States experience US-VISIT procedures—the collection of digital fingerprints and a photograph. Department of State consular officers and U.S. Customs and Border Protection officers use US-VISIT's biometric identification and analysis services to establish and verify international visitors' identities in order to make visa-issuance and admission decisions.

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