

## TWIC Program - Eligible Immigration Categories

- 1. U.S. citizen or national
- 2. Lawful permanent resident (LPR) of the U.S.
- 3. Refugee admitted under 8 U.S.C. 1157.
- 4. Alien granted asylum under 8 U.S.C. 1158.
- Alien in valid M-1 nonimmigrant status enrolled at the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy or a comparable State maritime academy.
- 6. Citizen of Micronesia, Marshall Islands, or Palau.
- Commercial driver licensed in Canada or Mexico to transport hazardous materials or admitted to U.S. to conduct business under 8 CFR 214.2(b)(4)(i)(E).
- 8. Alien with <u>unrestricted</u> authorization to work in the U.S. holding one of the following visas:
  - A-1: Immediate family members of an Ambassador, Public Minister, Career Diplomat, Consular Officer, Head of State, with a bilateral agreement in place;
  - A-2: Immediate family members of other foreign government officials or employees coming to the United States, including technical and support staff of A-1, with a bilateral agreement in place;
  - A-13: Family unity;
  - E-1: Spouse and dependent children of an treaty trader;
  - E-2: Spouse of a treaty investor or employee of a treaty investor spouse;
  - G-1: Immediate family member of a principal resident representative of recognized foreign member government to international organization and staff, with a bilateral agreement in place;
  - G-3: Immediate family member of a representative of a non-recognized or nonmember foreign government to international organization, with a bilateral agreement in place;
  - G-4: Immediate family member of an International organization officer or employee with a bilateral agreement;
  - J-2: Spouse or minor child of exchange visitor;
  - K-3: Spouse of U.S. Citizen (under LIFE Act provisions);
  - K-4: Child of K-3;
  - L-2: Spouse or child of L-1;
  - N-8: Parent of alien classified SK-3 "special immigrant";
  - N-9: Child of N-8, SK-1, SK-2, or SK-4 "special immigrant";
  - Immediate family members of North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) officials and representatives with a bilateral agreement in place for the following visa types:
    - NATO-1
    - NATO-2
    - NATO-3
    - NATO-4
    - NATO-5
    - NATO-6

- S-7: Spouse, unmarried sons and daughters, and parents of witness or informant;
- T-1: Victim of a severe form of trafficking in persons;
- T-2: Spouse of victim of a severe form of trafficking in persons;
- T-3: Child of victim of a severe form of trafficking in persons:
- T-4: Parent of victim of a severe form of trafficking in persons (if T-1 is under 21 years of age);
- T-5: Unmarried sibling under age of 18 of a T-1 under age of 21:
- U-1: Victim of certain criminal activity;
- U-2: Spouse of U-1;
- U-3: Child of U-1;
- U-4: Parent of U-1 (if U-1 is under 21 years of age);
- U-5: Unmarried sibling under age 18 of a U-1 under age 21:
- V-1: Spouse of an LPR who is the principal beneficiary of a family-based petition which was filed prior to December 21, 2000, and has been pending for at least 3 years;
- V-2: Child of an LPR who is the principal beneficiary of a family-based visa petition that was filed prior to December 21, 2000, and has been pending for at least 3 years;
- V-3: The derivative child of a V-1 or V-2; OR
- TPS: Temporary protected status (TPS).
- 9. Alien with <u>restricted</u> authorization to work in the U.S. holding one of the following visas:
  - B1-OCS: Business visitor/outer continental shelf (OCS);
  - C-1/D: Combined transit and crewman visa;
  - E-1 (Principal): Treaty trader or employee of treaty trader;
  - E-2 (Principal): Treaty investor, or employee of treaty investor;
  - E-3: Australian nationals working in specialty occupations, including spouse;
  - H-1B: Specialty occupations;
  - L-1A: Executive, managerial (intracompany transferee);
  - L-1B: Specialized knowledge professionals;
  - M-3: Canadian or Mexican national commuter student;
  - O-1A: Extraordinary ability in sciences, arts, education, business, or athletics;
  - O-1B: Extraordinary achievement in motion picture and/or television productions; OR
  - TN: Trade visas for Canadian and Mexican business persons seeking to engage in professional activities under the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA).

## NOTE: The following visa types with unrestricted work authorization are <u>not</u> permitted to obtain a TWIC:

- S-5: Informant of criminal organization information;
- S-6: Informant of terrorism information;
- K-1: Fiancé or fiancée of U.S. citizen; OR
- K-2: Minor child of K-1.