

TYPES OF NONIMMIGRANT VISAS

Type	Description
A-1	Foreign government official
A-2	Foreign government employee and members of immediate family.
A-3	Personal employee of A-1 or A-2 and members of immediate family
B-1	Temporary visitor for business. "Business" does not include accepting employment in the United States and can be reimbursed for actual travel and per diem expenses only.
B-2*	Temporary visitor for pleasure and cannot receive any type of payments.
C-1*, C-2*, C-3*	Aliens in travel status while travelling directly through the United States.
D-1	Alien crewman on shore leave or transferring to another vessel or aircraft. In no event may the time limit exceed 200 days; accepting employment in the United States is grounds for deportation.
E-1	Aliens who conduct trade or inventories between the United States and the foreign state of which he/she is a national, and immediate family.
E-2	Treaty investors and immediate family.
F-1	Students admitted to attend a specified school. Students may accept employment on campus, but they may accept ⁶ off-campus employment only with written permission from the U.S. Immigration Service. If they fail to maintain their student status, they are subject to deportation.
F-2*	Immediate family of student - may not accept employment.
G-1, G-2, G-3, G-4, G-5	Representatives and personnel of international organizations and immediate family.
H-1	A visitor of distinguished merit and ability to perform temporary services of an exceptional nature.
H-2	Temporary worker performing services unavailable in the United States.
H-3	Trainee
H-4*	Spouse or child of alien classified H-1, H-2, or H-3 - may not accept employment.
I	Members of foreign press, radio, film or other information media.

- J-1 Exchange of visitors who are in the U.S. under a Department of State approved program for study, teaching, research or training.
- J-2 Spouse or child of J-1 - may request permission for employment from U.S Immigration Office
- K-1 Fiancee - person must marry U.S. citizen within 90 days of entry into U.S.
- L-1 Intercompany transferee
- L-2* Immediate family of L-1.

* Nonimmigrant aliens asteriked above may not accept employment in the United States. Students and exchange visitors may, with appropriate permission, accept certain employment. A nonimmigrant alien is subject to deportation if he/she violates the terms of admission; abandons his/her status; overstays the period of admission; engages in criminal, immoral, narcotic or subversive activity; or accepts unauthorized employment.

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