



NATURALIZATION FAQ SHEET FOR SPOUSE OF A U.S. CITIZEN REGULARLY STATIONED ABROAD

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Where can I obtain Form N-400? Forms can be downloaded from the USCIS Web Site:
<http://uscis.gov/formsfee/forms/n-400.htm>.

Where do I file the application? You should submit the application to the [California Service Center](#). If you have already submitted the application to another Service Center, you should notify USCIS Honolulu via email or fax. Be sure to include your fingerprint cards if you reside outside the U.S.

What do I do after filing the application? When you receive the receipt from the Service Center, please notify the Honolulu District Office via email or fax. Please provide the receipt and A number related to the application and for military dependents or U.S. government employee dependents, the date of rotation of the U.S. citizen spouse. The Honolulu USCIS email address is: hawaii.naturalization@dhs.gov.

The fax number is 808-532-6386.

Note: If you do not receive a receipt within 30 days of filing your application and do not receive the application back in the mail, please notify the Honolulu District Office as provided above.

Why is my current residence address shown on the receipt as: 595 Ala Moana Blvd., Honolulu, HI 96813? Because the current computer system does not allow for a residence outside the U.S., the Honolulu District Office address is shown as your current residence in the computer. As long as your mailing address is correct you will receive all notices.

How long does the process take in Honolulu? The normal process in Honolulu is to schedule overseas applicants for interviews on Monday or Tuesday of the second or third week of each month. If the application is approved, there will be an oath administration ceremony on Wednesday of the same week. After the oath administration ceremony, you are required to apply for a passport. The U.S. Passport Agency in Honolulu will upon payment of the appropriate expedite fee process the application overnight. Departure from Honolulu should not be planned before 2:00 PM on Thursday of the same week.

Can an interview be scheduled other than on the days shown above? The Honolulu District Office will make every effort to schedule your interview and naturalization at a time that is convenient for you and which complies with the requirement that the U.S. Citizen spouse have at least one year remaining abroad from the date of naturalization. Please note, though, that if you wish to change your name at the time of naturalization, your interview will need to be scheduled during a week when there is an Oath

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Administration Ceremony at the U.S. District Court or you will be required to remain in Honolulu until the next scheduled ceremony. Ceremonies are not scheduled every week.

Who must appear for the interview? You and your U.S. citizen spouse. If you are a military dependent and your spouse is deployed and unable to attend, you should present a letter from his command verifying that.

How can I enter the United States?

If you are already a lawful permanent resident, you may use your unexpired Permanent Resident Card, Form I-551 for entry into the U.S. If your Permanent Resident Card is expired, please contact the nearest U.S. Consulate or Embassy to see if you need to obtain a transportation letter.

If this is your first entry into the United States, you must contact the nearest U.S. Consulate or Embassy to obtain an immigrant visa prior to your entry. Please refer to the general FAQ sheet for information on obtaining an immigrant visa. If your entry with an immigrant visa immediately precedes your appointment with our office, please show the CBP Officer your appointment notice and ask him or her to immediately forward your immigrant visa to our office.

Where is the USCIS office in Honolulu? We're located at 595 Ala Moana Boulevard in Honolulu. We are in the downtown area of Honolulu and approximately 2 miles from Waikiki. Additional information can be found at <http://uscis.gov/graphics/fieldoffices/honolulu/aboutus.htm>.

What procedure do I follow at the USCIS office in Honolulu? We ask that you follow standard procedures by standing in line to check-in for your appointment. For more information about the Honolulu Office, please visit <http://uscis.gov/graphics/fieldoffices/honolulu/aboutus.htm#anchor1658746>

What documents should I bring with me? Your appointment notice will specify what you must bring to your interview. To avoid unnecessary delays, it is important for you to carefully review this appointment notice.

Most importantly, please remember that you must be able to show that the U.S. citizen spouse will be stationed abroad at least one year after your naturalization – not one year from date of filing. To assist in the processing of your application by Honolulu please contact us at hawaii.naturalization@dhs.gov after you file the application. Your assistance in helping us monitor the progress of your application will be appreciated and you can email us reminder email 30 days after you receive the receipt for the application. We will work with the staff of the appropriate USCIS Service Center and will schedule your interview as soon as possible.

Where can I get information about Hawaii? This State of Hawaii Web Site has an abundance of information to help you decide where to stay and what to do while you are in Hawaii.

- Visiting Hawaii – The Aloha State: <http://www.ehawaii.gov.org/visiting/html/index.html> .