

Volume XII – E-Filing Form I-821

Purpose

The purpose of this document is to highlight key aspects of the I-821 E-Filing module for prospective applicants who wish to E-File an Application for Temporary Protected Status (Form I-821). The following screenshots provide a preview of the I-821 on-line E-Filing Form and can be used as a reference to prepare for E-Filing the I-821 application.

In this document the following topics will be addressed:

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I-821 E-Filing Eligibility

E-Filing is not available for all applicants. There are a number of situations where you must continue to use the paper-based process in order to properly file your petition.

You are NOT eligible to E-File the I-821 if:

- You live outside of the US (does not include Guam, Puerto Rico, and the US Virgin Islands);
- You are applying for late initial or late registration;
- You are applying for a waiver of the filing fee;
- You are requesting your case to be expedited

Parts of the I-821 E-Filed Application

In Part 1 of the I-821, you will be asked if you are applying for an initial, re-registration, or late initial/re-registration TPS application. You will be able to select only one.

- At this time, initial applications and late initial/late re-registration applications are not available to be E-Filed, but can be paper filed.

The screenshot shows the 'Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services' header and the title 'I-821 Form: Application for Temporary Protected Status'. Below the title are navigation tabs: Overview, Filing Status, Form, Form Checklist, Certify Forms, Payment, and Confirmation. The 'Form' tab is selected. The main heading is 'Part 1. Type of application (check one)'. The text reads: 'In order to electronically process your application, you must provide information for the items marked * below. Please select one of the following items: *'. There are three radio button options:

- This is my first application to register for Temporary Protected Status (TPS).
- This is my application for re-registration or renewal of temporary treatment benefits. I have previously been granted TPS or temporary treatment benefits. I have maintained and continue to maintain eligibility for TPS.
- I am applying for late initial or late re-registration.

 At the bottom are buttons for 'Back', 'Cancel', and 'Continue'.

In Part 2, you will be asked to provide your personal information.

The screenshot shows a text box with the instruction: 'It is required that you enter either your Country of Citizenship or Country of Residence'. Below this is a form with several fields:

- State/Country: Select a Country (dropdown menu)
- Country of Residence: Select a Country (dropdown menu)
- Country of Citizenship/Nationality: Select a Country (dropdown menu)
- Marital Status: Single Married Divorce Widowed
- Other Names Used (including maiden name):

Last	First	Middle
Last	First	Middle

In Part 3, you will be asked to provide your contact information.

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- If you are applying for TPS benefits for more than four children, input four of your children’s information in the text boxes provided, and use a separate sheet of paper to write down your additional children’s information. You will send this in as part of your supporting documentation.

(Example – You have six children. Input four of your children’s information in the E-Filing System and two of your children’s information on a separate sheet of paper.)

In Part 4, you will be prompted to answer questions to determine if you qualify for TPS benefits.

- Select the TPS country for which you are applying
- Select “Yes” or “No” for all the questions listed

Part 4. Eligibility Standards

In order to electronically process your application, you must provide information for the items marked * below.

1. Fill in the necessary information:

I am a national of, or an alien having no nationality who last habitually resided in the foreign state: *

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and I entered the United States on: 02 / 14 / 2004
MM DD YYYY

and I have resided in the United States since that time.

2. To be eligible for Temporary Protected Status, you must be admitted to the United States, with certain exceptions. Do any of the following apply to you?

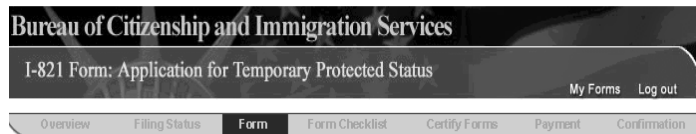
- a. have you been convicted of any felony or two or more misdemeanors committed in the United States;
- b. (i) have you ordered, incited, assisted, or otherwise participated in the persecution of any person on account of race, religion, membership in a particular social group or political opinion; Yes No
- (ii) have you been convicted of a final judgement of a particularly serious crime, constituting danger to the community of the United States (an alien convicted of an aggravated felony is considered to have committed a particularly serious crime); Yes No
- (iii) have you been convicted of a serious nonpolitical crime outside of the United States; Yes No

Only TPS countries currently open for registration will be listed in the drop down box

- If you answer “yes” to any of the Eligibility Standards questions in Part 4, you will be asked to provide an explanation on a separate sheet of paper. You will send this explanation sheet as part of your supporting documentation.

I-821 and Concurrent E-Filing

- The I-821 must always be filed concurrently with an I-765. The E-Filing system will automatically generate an I-765 for completion after an I-821 is filled out.
- An I-131 cannot be concurrently E-Filed with an I-821 and its accompanying I-765.
- If you choose not to receive an Employment Authorization Document (EAD), you are still required to Concurrently E-File the I-765, but you will not be charged for the application fee.



End of I-821 Form

You have reached the end of the I-821 form.

You are required to complete an I-765 Form the I-765 form.

If you would like to review information entered, navigate through the form.

To cancel and exit this e-filing process, select **Cancel**.

Below is the fee/fees for all forms currently in your application.

Form	Description	Fee
I-821 - Bayes, Toni	I-821 Application Fee	\$ 50.00
I-821 - Bayes, Toni	Fingerprint Fee	\$ 50.00
I-765 - Bayes, Toni	I-765 Application Fee	\$ 120.00
Total due from filer:		\$220.00

I-821 - Bayes, Toni

[I-821 - Bayes, Toni](#)

[I-765 - Bayes, Toni](#)

Add New Form by selecting Add followed by the form number.

Review or Edit a Form by selecting the hyperlinked form number.

Delete a Form or Forms by selecting the checkbox for a form, or by selecting multiple boxes for more than one form, then selecting the Delete Form button. **Note:** if you delete a form that has any associated forms, those forms will also be deleted.

Certify Forms by selecting the Certify Forms button if the information in all the forms is correct.

Once you complete an I-821 you will be required to complete an I-765

The I-765 will now appear in your My Forms Page



PDF Troubleshooting

If the PDF Confirmation Receipt Page did not generate, or you were unable to save and/or print the PDF version of the Confirmation Receipt Page, DO NOT FILE AGAIN. Send an e-mail request to E-Filing.Support@dhs.gov and include your Receipt Number in the e-mail message.

Supporting Documentation for the I-821

Supporting documentation for the E-Filed I-821 is similar to that needed for the paper based I-821 application. Review I-821 paper form instructions to determine what copies of documents may need to be submitted.

Please note that for the E-Filed I-821:

- If you have requested an EAD, you will need to have your biometrics captured by USCIS
- If you have not requested an EAD, you should submit hardcopy photos
- If applicable, submit the Eligibility Standards explanation sheet

I-821 Mailing Addresses for Supporting Documentation

You will find the mailing address for your supporting documentation on your Confirmation Receipt page.

If you received an error and/or were unable to save and/or print the PDF version of your petition and confirmation receipt notice, you will need to follow the procedures below:

1. Wait to receive the official receipt notice (Form I-797) in the mail;
2. Note the receipt number on the I-797; and
3. Mail the supporting documentation to the appropriate address below, if the petition is a non-premium processing case.
 - o Include a cover letter referencing your receipt number and clearly state that the supporting documentation is for an E-Filed application.

IF...	THEN ...
Your petition receipt number begins with “WAC”	Send supporting documentation to: California Service Center ATTN: E-Filing TPS P.O. Box 10821 Laguna Niguel, CA 92607-0821
Your petition receipt number begins with “LIN”	Send supporting documentation Nebraska Service Center ATTN: E-Filed I-821 P.O. Box 87373 Lincoln, NE 68501-7373
Your petition receipt number begins with “SRC”	Send supporting documentation Texas Service Center P.O. Pox 852381 Mesquite, TX 75185-2381
Your petition receipt number begins with “EAC”	Send supporting documentation Vermont Service Center ATTN: TPS 75 Lower Welden Street St. Albans, VT 05479