

## **NEXUS**

NEXUS is a joint program with the Canada Border Services Agency that allows pre-screened, approved travelers faster processing. NEXUS was established in 2002 as part of the Shared Border Accord, a partnership between the United States and Canada that creates open channels of dialogue and working groups committed to the mutual goals of securing our shared border, while promoting the legitimate trade and travel that is vital to both economies.

NEXUS is an example of cross-border coordination at work. A key goal of the partnership is to establish and expand trusted travel lanes at airports, waterways, and land crossings. It's a way to strike the right balance between enhanced security and faster, more efficient travel between the U.S. and Canada.

A NEXUS membership card also fulfills the travel document requirements of the Western Hemisphere Travel Initiative (WHTI) that has required a passport or other secure travel document by all U.S. and Canadian citizens seeking entry or re-entry into the U.S. by air since January 23, 2007 and by land and sea since June 1, 2009.

Individuals may qualify to participate in NEXUS if they are a citizen or permanent resident of the United States or Canada residing in either country, or if they are a citizen of a country other than Canada or the United States who plan to temporarily reside lawfully in Canada or the United States for the term of their NEXUS membership and who pass various criminal history and law enforcement checks by both countries.

NEXUS is an integrated program with one application and fee submission providing expedited passage in the air, land and marine modes of travel. Each approved member will receive a radio frequency identification card. However, individuals who are interested in air travel must undergo an iris capture to have their membership accepted at airports. To participate, both the United States and Canada must approve an individual's application. For NEXUS toll-free information (U.S and Canada) call 1-866-NEXUS 26 (1-866-639-8726). For a complete list of eligibility requirements and locations, visit www.nexus.gov or www.nexus.gc.ca.

## Membership & Locations

- Nearly 650,000 members and growing
- 19 border crossing locations
- 23 enrollment centers
- 2 urban enrollment centers (Seattle, Wash. and Vancouver, Canada)
- 33 marine reporting locations in the Great Lakes and Seattle, Washington regions
- 8 Canadian pre-clearance locations with kiosks at the following airports:
  - ♦ Vancouver International
  - **♦** Toronto Pearson International
  - Ottawa McDonald Cartier International
  - ♦ Montreal Pierre Trudeau International
  - ♦ Halifax International
  - ♦ Calgary International
  - **♦** Edmonton International
  - ♦ Winnipeg International