



New Online Visa Form DS-160

Improving the Non-Immigrant Visa Application Process

Key Changes

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Electronic Visa Application Form	Consular Electronic Application Center
Hard copy (paper)	Soft copy (electronic)
Fill out 3 forms: DS-156, DS-157, DS-158, Questionnaire	Fill out 1 form: * DS-160 *
Print entire application: 3 to 8 pages	Print confirmation page only: 1 page
Sign on paper	Electronic signature
Static Form (same for all, unchanging)	Dynamic Form (form changes based applicant's responses)

U. S. Department of State Streamlines the Visa Process

Online Non-Immigrant Visa (NIV) Form: DS-160

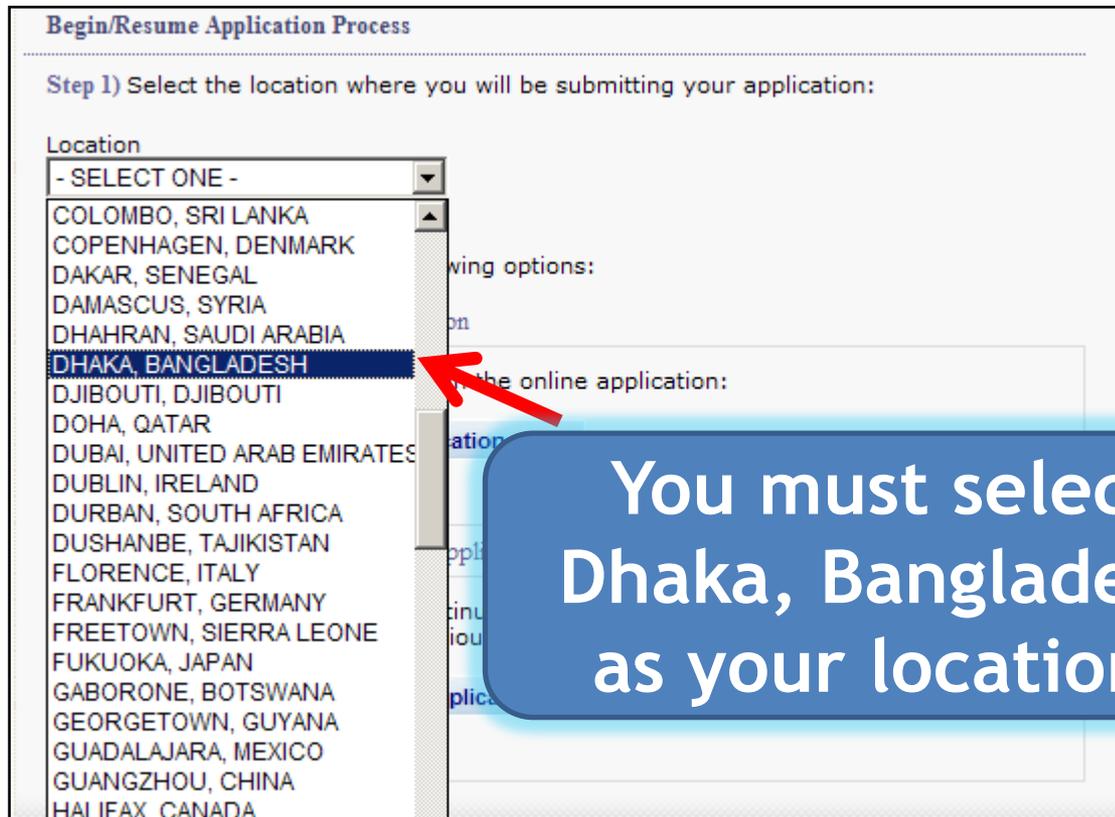
- Speed the NIV application process
- Eventually increase number of NIV applications that U.S. Consular staff can evaluate daily
- Transform the process into a more “green”, environmentally-friendly operation

Important: Applicants do not apply for a visa online. They are submitting an application form online.

How will it work?

Select the Consulate (or Embassy) where the appointment will be scheduled:

Dhaka



Begin/Resume Application Process

Step 1) Select the location where you will be submitting your application:

Location

- SELECT ONE -

- COLOMBO, SRI LANKA
- COPENHAGEN, DENMARK
- DAKAR, SENEGAL
- DAMASCUS, SYRIA
- DHAHRAN, SAUDI ARABIA
- DHAKA, BANGLADESH**
- DJIBOUTI, DJIBOUTI
- DOHA, QATAR
- DUBAI, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES
- DUBLIN, IRELAND
- DURBAN, SOUTH AFRICA
- DUSHANBE, TAJIKISTAN
- FLORENCE, ITALY
- FRANKFURT, GERMANY
- FREETOWN, SIERRA LEONE
- FUKUOKA, JAPAN
- GABORONE, BOTSWANA
- GEORGETOWN, GUYANA
- GUADALAJARA, MEXICO
- GUANGZHOU, CHINA
- HALIFAX, CANADA

You must select Dhaka, Bangladesh as your location.

Tip 1: Choose the Correct Visa Type

Travel Information

NOTE: Provide the following information for all applicants. If you are coming to the United States for business or pleasure and you are coming to the United States to get married, you are the principal applicant. If you are accompanying your spouse, you are not the principal applicant. If you are accompanying your spouse, you are not the principal applicant.

Q: Are you the principal applicant?

A: Yes No

Answer the additional question:

Purpose of Trip to U.S. ⓘ

- SELECT ONE -
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- BUSINESS/CONFERENCE VISITOR (B1)
- TOURIST/PERSONAL TRAVEL VISITOR (B2)
- BUSINESS/PERSONAL TRAVEL (B1, B2)
- BORDER CROSSING CARD/LASER VISA (BCC)
- STUDENT/EXCHANGE VISA (F, J, M, Q)
- OTHER

For B-1, B-2, B-1/B-2, every applicant is a Principal Applicant.

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Q: Are you the principal applicant?

A: Yes No

Answer the additional question:

Surnames of Principal Applicant

ZHANG

Given Names of Principal Applicant

SAN

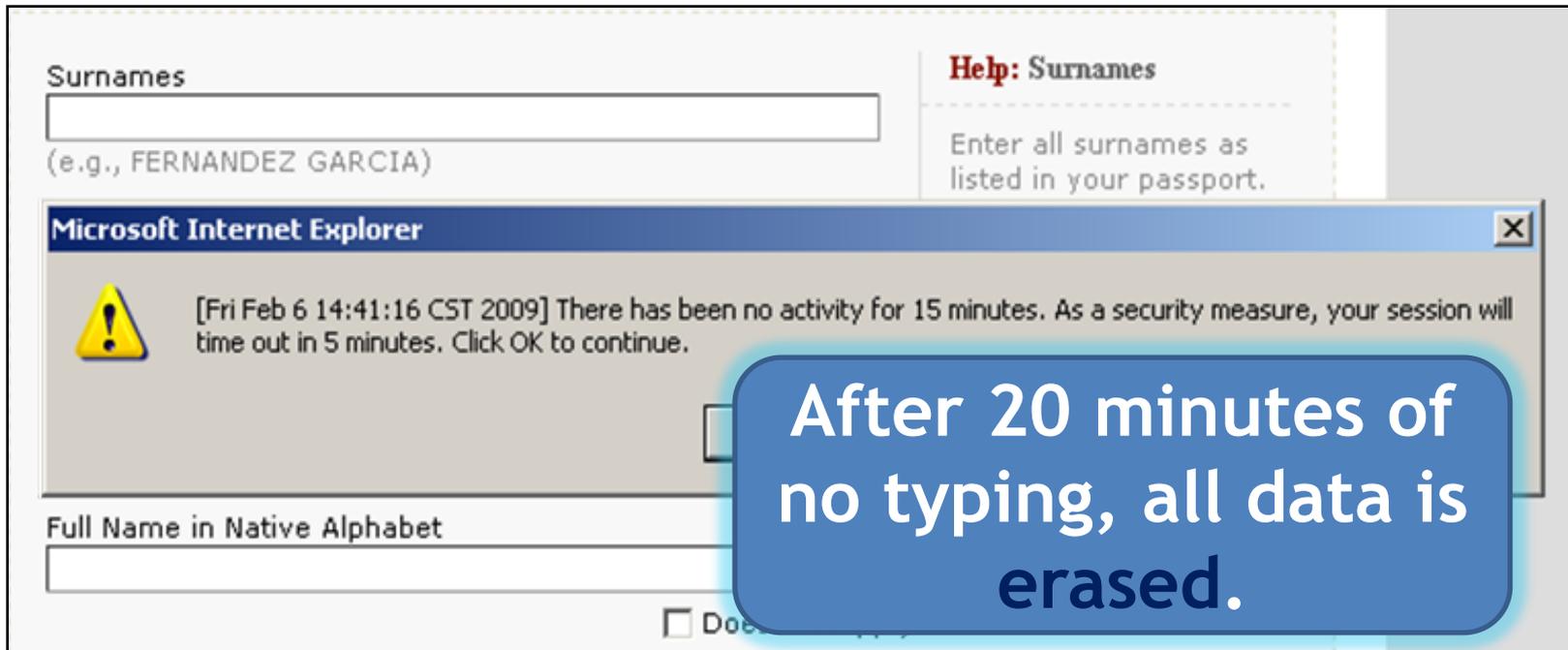
Principal Applicant's Purpose of Trip to U.S. ⓘ

- SELECT ONE -
- SELECT ONE -
- STUDENT/EXCHANGE VISA (F, J, M, Q)
- OTHER

If the wrong visa type is chosen, the form may ask questions that do not apply to the applicant.

Tip 2: Save Regularly

- Save regularly to your computer hard drive
- Warning message after 15 minutes of no typing in the form
- If the form remains inactive for 20 minutes, **the form resets and all data is lost/erased**. If you haven't saved the form, you must re-start from the beginning
- Saving the file on hard-drive is crucial in case corrections are needed



The screenshot shows a web form with a "Surnames" input field and a "Help: Surnames" section. The help text reads: "Enter all surnames as listed in your passport." Below the form, a Microsoft Internet Explorer window displays a warning message: "[Fri Feb 6 14:41:16 CST 2009] There has been no activity for 15 minutes. As a security measure, your session will time out in 5 minutes. Click OK to continue." A blue callout box with white text is overlaid on the warning message, stating: "After 20 minutes of no typing, all data is erased."

Tip 3 : Be Accurate and Specific

Previous Work/Education/Training Information

NOTE: Provide your employment information for the last five years, if applicable

Q: Were you previously employed?

A: Yes No

Q: Have you attended any educational institutions other than elementary schools?

A: Yes No

Provide the following information on all educational institutions you have attended, not including elementary schools.

Name of Institution

Street Address (Line 1)

Street Address (Line 2) **Optional*

Applicants will not be interviewed if education and employment data is incomplete.

Only use “do not know” or “does not apply” if true – otherwise enter best available data.

Tip 4 : Be Honest

Security and Background: Medical and Health Information

NOTE: Provide the following security and background information. Provide complete and accurate information to all questions that require an explanation. A visa may not be issued to persons who are within specific categories defined by law as inadmissible to the United States (except when a waiver is obtained in advance). Are any of the following applicable to you? While a YES answer does not automatically signify ineligibility for a visa, if you answer YES you may be required to personally appear before a consular officer.

Q: Do you have a communicable disease of public health significance such as tuberculosis (TB)?

A: Yes No

Q: Do you have a mental or physical disorder that poses or is likely to pose a threat to the safety or welfare of yourself or others?

A: Yes No

Q: Are you or have you ever been a drug abuser or addict?

A: Yes No

Be honest when answering questions; otherwise you may be refused a visa and be permanently ineligible for a U.S. visa.

Tip 5: List all previous travel

Be sure to list **all** other countries visited in the period specified (list every country -- not just the USA)

Q: Have you ever been issued a U.S. Visa?

A: Yes No

Previous U.S. Visas

Date Last Visa Was Issued
[] [] []
(Format: DD-MMM-YYYY)

Visa Number
[] Do Not Know

Providing information about previous U.S. visas (and previous refusals) can speed up the application process.

Hiding a previous refusal can result in being refused again.



Visa Number is **red** (8 digits)

E-Signature

Photo Quality Standards Result



Photo passed quality standards

Your photo has successfully been
submitted and your
submission has been accepted.

You can continue your application.

Select
343200

E-Signature

I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that the foregoing is true and correct.

Enter your passport number:

Enter passport number.

Enter the code below as shown:

Enter the code.



Click the speaker button if you would like to hear the code.

Click the **Sign Application** button.

Sign Application

◀ **Back: REVIEW**

 **Save**

Next: Confirmation ▶

Confirmation Page

Confirmation

YOU MUST BRING this confirmation page and the following document(s) with you at all steps during the application process:

Passport.

The barcode **MUST** be clear and legible on the printed page. You may also print the entire application for your records. If you do not have access to a printer at this time, select the option to email your confirmation page to an email address.

Please contact your Consular Post directly for information on how to continue the application process. Please note that you will be required to provide proof that you have paid the visa application fee. You may also provide any additional documents you feel will support your case. **DO NOT** submit the entire application.

Some posts have special procedures for applicants who may not need a visa interview; you may find information about that process on the Consular Post's website.

If you have further questions or to find out how to contact the Consular Post please go to <http://usembassy.state.gov/> or <http://travel.state.gov>.

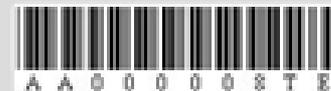
This confirms the submission of the Nonimmigrant visa application for:



Name Provided:	TEST, TEST
Nationality:	ANGULLA
Passport Number:	123
Completed On:	25 February 2008
Confirmation No:	AA000008TE

Location Selected:

US EMBASSY - TOKYO
555 TEST DR
TOKYO, JAPAN



Print Confirmation

Print Application

Email Confirmation

THIS IS NOT A VISA

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Overview of Process: Applicant's View

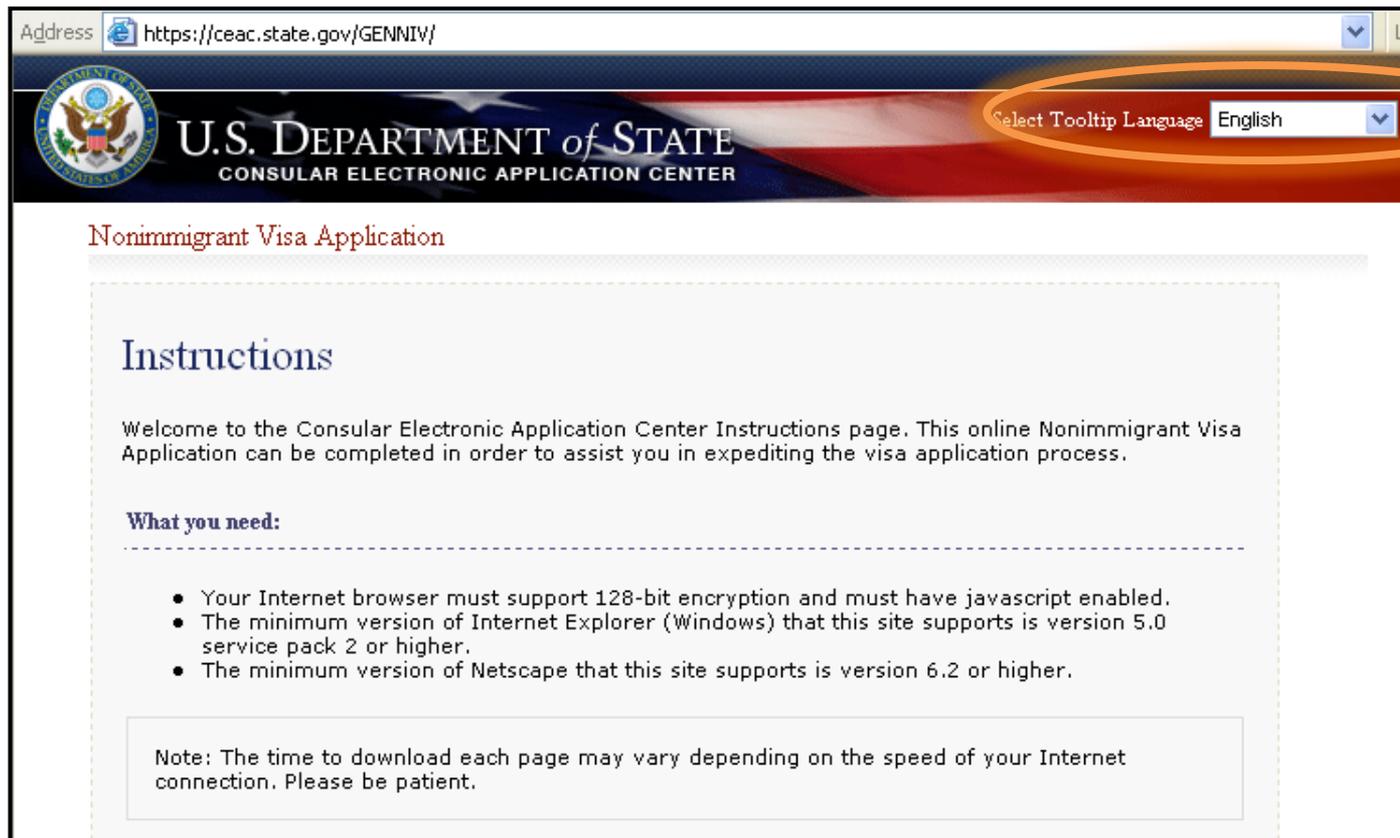
<https://ceac.state.gov/genniv>

- 1) Enter information into the online application form (75 min)
- 2) Verify that the application data is correct
- 3) Upload a digital photo of the applicant
- 4) Approve with eSignature by entering passport number & the code displayed on the screen. If a third-party assists the applicant with the application, they must identify themselves
- 5) Print the confirmation page (color or black-and-white)
- 6) Purchase an MRV receipt (Currently: SAIMON Overseas; Standard Chartered. Fee: TK 115)
- 7) Schedule an appointment (Currently: SAIMON Overseas. Fee: TK 550)
- 8) Bring the following to interview
 - Confirmation page
 - Current passport and all old passports
 - Supporting documents (invitation letter, itinerary or travel plan, C.V./resume, etc)
 - 1 extra photo (in case the uploaded photo is unacceptable)

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In the Future

The main instructions are in English. In the future, you will be able to select "Bengali" to show pop-up "Tooltip" help in the Bengali language when the user "hovers" mouse pointer over the text.



Address <https://ceac.state.gov/GENNIV/>

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CONSULAR ELECTRONIC APPLICATION CENTER

Select Tooltip Language English

Nonimmigrant Visa Application

Instructions

Welcome to the Consular Electronic Application Center Instructions page. This online Nonimmigrant Visa Application can be completed in order to assist you in expediting the visa application process.

What you need:

- Your Internet browser must support 128-bit encryption and must have javascript enabled.
- The minimum version of Internet Explorer (Windows) that this site supports is version 5.0 service pack 2 or higher.
- The minimum version of Netscape that this site supports is version 6.2 or higher.

Note: The time to download each page may vary depending on the speed of your Internet connection. Please be patient.