



U.S. Embassy Guatemala City

Accepting Full Calendar Month Reports For Social Security

Certain non-U.S. Citizens can receive Social Security regular monthly benefit payments after residing lawfully in the United States of America for **one full calendar month**. They are required to live in the U.S. for one month each time they are outside of the U.S. for six full consecutive months and wish to receive payments. See the example illustrated in the calendar at the end of this document. This requirement applies to beneficiaries eligible to receive a payment but who:

- Are **not** a U.S. citizen, or
- Were **not** initially eligible for monthly benefits before January 1, 1985, or
- Have **not** resided in the U.S. for at least five years.

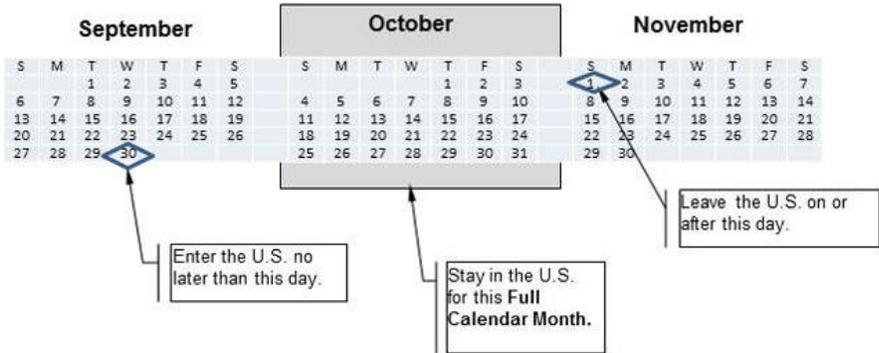
You must report completing your full-calendar month to receive payment. Once you have completed your full calendar month visit, you must present the following documents to the Federal Benefits Unit:

- Passport with date stamp entry into the United States.
- Plane ticket stubs associated with the travel dates on the passport
- Hotel receipts or statements of individuals specifying the dates the person provided the beneficiary with lodging. The person signing the letter must provide their address, telephone number and date the letter. The statement does not need to be notarized.

We will ask you to complete and sign a statement that includes:

- The dates you entered and left the U.S.;
- The address at which you stayed; and
- A statement that you did not go outside the U.S. at any time during the month you were present in the U.S.

Example: How to comply with a One Full Calendar Month in the U.S. This means you have to be lawfully present in the U.S. before the first minute of the first day of a month and stay until after the last minute of the last day of that month.



Once you have all the documents, schedule an appointment.

Monday through Thursday from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

<http://guatemala.usembassy.gov/uspasportappointments.html>.

Select the option Notarial Services/ Other services