

Social Security Number and Card — Deferred Action For Childhood Arrivals



Am I eligible for a Social Security number and card?

If the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) approves your request for Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals and your application to work in the United States, you may be eligible for a Social Security number. After you get your (I-766) Employment Authorization Card, you can apply for a Social Security number.

How do I apply for a Social Security number?

Social Security must interview you in person so you can complete and sign your application. Call your local office, which you can find online at www.socialsecurity.gov/locator. You must bring papers proving you have permission to work in the United States, your immigration status, age and identity.

You Must Show Social Security

You must show us the originals or certified copies of two documents:

1. Form I-766 Employment Authorization Card (EAD, work permit), and
2. Your foreign birth certificate (if you have one or can get one within 10 business days). If you cannot, we may accept your:
 - Foreign passport;
 - U.S. military record; or
 - Religious record showing age or date of birth.

If you do not have or cannot get one of the above preferred papers within 10 business days, we may accept your:

- U.S. driver's license;
- U.S. state-issued identification card; or
- School record (issued five or more years ago) showing age or date of birth.

Please note: While you may have shown USCIS photocopies of the above papers, you must bring Social Security originals or copies certified the agency that issued them. **We cannot accept photocopies or notarized copies.** We must independently verify the documentation you show us.

For more information, visit www.socialsecurity.gov or call toll-free, **1-800-772-1213** (for the deaf or hard of hearing, call our TTY number, **1-800-325-0778**).