E-Filing

If you are re-registering for TPS during the re-registration period and you do not need to submit any supporting documents or evidence, you are eligible to file your applications electronically. For more information on e-filing, please visit the USCIS E-Filing Reference Guide at the USCIS Web site at http://www.uscis.gov.

Employment Authorization Document (EAD)

May I request an interim EAD at my local USCIS office?

No. USCIS will not issue interim EADs to TPS applicants and re-registrants at local offices.

Am I eligible to receive an automatic 6-month EAD extension from September 10, 2010, through March 9, 2011?

To receive an automatic 6-month extension of your EAD:
• You must be a national of El Salvador (or an alien having no nationality who last habitually resided in El Salvador) who has applied for and received an EAD under the designation of El Salvador for TPS, and
• You have not had TPS withdrawn or denied.

This automatic extension is limited to EADs issued on Form I–766, Employment Authorization Document, bearing an expiration date of September 9, 2010. These EADs must also bear the notation “A–12” or “C–19” on the face of the card under “Category.”

What documents may a qualified individual show to his or her employer as proof of employment authorization and identity when completing Form I–9?

During the first six months of this extension, qualified individuals who have received a 6-month automatic extension of their EADs by virtue of this Federal Register notice may present their extended TPS-based EADs, as described above, to their employers as proof of identity and employment authorization through March 9, 2011. To minimize confusion over this extension at the time of hire or re-verification, qualified individuals may also present a copy of this Federal Register notice regarding the automatic extension of employment authorization documentation through March 9, 2011.

After March 9, 2011, TPS beneficiaries may present their EADs on Form I–766 with an extension date of March 9, 2012, to their employers as proof of employment authorization and identity. The EAD will bear the notation “A–12” or “C–19” on the face of the card under “Category.” After March 9, 2011, employers may not accept EADs that no longer have a valid date.

Employers should not request proof of Salvadoran citizenship. Employers should accept the EADs as valid “List A” documents. Employers should not ask for additional Form I–9 documentation if presented with an EAD that has been automatically extended or a new valid EAD pursuant to this Federal Register notice, and the EAD reasonably appears on its face to be genuine and to relate to the employee. Employees also may present any other legally acceptable document or combination of documents listed on the Form I–9 as proof of identity and employment eligibility.

Note to Employers

Employers are reminded that the laws requiring employment eligibility verification and prohibiting unfair immigration-related employment practices remain in full force. This Notice does not supersede or in any way limit applicable employment verification rules and policy guidance, including those rules setting forth re-verification requirements. For questions, employers may call the USCIS Customer Assistance Office at 1–800–357–2099. Employers may also call the U.S. Department of Justice Office of Special Counsel for Immigration Related Unfair Employment Practices (OSC) Employer Hotline at 1–800–255–8155.

Note to Employees

Employees or applicants may call the OSC Employee Hotline at 1–800–255–7688 for information regarding the automatic extension. Additional information is available on the OSC Web site at http://www.justice.gov/crt/osc/.

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Federal Emergency Management Agency


Puerto Rico; Major Disaster and Related Determinations

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency, DHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This is a notice of the Presidential declaration of a major disaster for the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico (FEMA–1919–DR), dated June 24, 2010, and related determinations.

DATES: Effective Date: June 24, 2010.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given that, in a letter dated June 24, 2010, the President issued a major disaster declaration under the authority of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121 et seq. (the “Stafford Act”), as follows:

I have determined that the damage in certain areas of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico resulting from severe storms and flooding during the period of May 26–31, 2010, is of sufficient severity and magnitude to warrant a major disaster declaration under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121 et seq. (the “Stafford Act”). Therefore, I declare that such a major disaster exists in the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

In order to provide Federal assistance, you are hereby authorized to allocate from funds available for these purposes such amounts as you find necessary for Federal disaster assistance and administrative expenses. You are authorized to provide Public Assistance in the designated areas and Hazard Mitigation throughout the Commonwealth. Consistent with the requirement that Federal assistance is supplemental, any Federal funds provided under the Stafford Act for Public Assistance and Hazard Mitigation will be limited to 75 percent of the total eligible costs.

TABLE 1—MAILING ADDRESSES—Continued

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<td>You are using a Non-US Postal Service delivery service for both re-registration and first time late initial registration. You were granted TPS by an Immigration Judge (IJ) or the Board of Immigration Appeals (BIA), and you wish to request an EAD or are re-registering for the first time.</td>
<td>USCIS, Attn: TPS El Salvador, 131 S. Dearborn—3rd Floor, Chicago, IL 60603–5517. USCIS, Attn: TPS El Salvador, P.O. Box 7332, Chicago, IL 60680–7332.</td>
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Further, you are authorized to make changes to this declaration for the approved assistance to the extent allowable under the Stafford Act.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) hereby gives notice that pursuant to the authority vested in the Administrator, under Executive Order 12148, as amended, Justo Hernández, of FEMA is appointed to act as the Federal Coordinating Officer for this major disaster.

The following areas of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico have been designated as adversely affected by this major disaster:

The municipalities of Arecibo, Barranquitas, Coamo, Corozal, Dorado, Naranjito, Orocovis, Utuado, Vega Alta, and Vega Baja for Public Assistance. All municipalities in the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico are eligible to apply for assistance under the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.

The following Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Numbers (CFDA) are to be used for reporting and drawing funds: 97.030, Community Disaster Loans; 97.031, Cora Brown Fund; 97.032, Crisis Counseling; 97.033, Disaster Legal Services; 97.034, Disaster Housing Assistance to Individuals and Households—Other Needs; 97.035, Disaster Housing Assistance to Individuals and Households—Other Needs; 97.036, Disaster Grants—Public Assistance (Presidentially Declared Disasters); 97.039, Hazard Mitigation Grant.

W. Craig Fugate,
Administrator, Federal Emergency Management Agency.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Federal Emergency Management Agency


South Dakota; Amendment No. 3 to Notice of a Major Disaster Declaration

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency, DHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice amends the notice of a major disaster declaration for the State of South Dakota (FEMA–1915–DR), dated May 13, 2010, and related determinations.

DATES: Effective Date: July 1, 2010.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The notice of a major disaster declaration for the State of South Dakota is hereby amended to include the following areas among those areas determined to have been adversely affected by the event declared a major disaster by the President in his declaration of May 13, 2010.


The following Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Numbers (CFDA) are to be used for reporting and drawing funds: 97.030, Community Disaster Loans; 97.031, Cora Brown Fund; 97.032, Crisis Counseling; 97.033, Disaster Legal Services; 97.034, Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA); 97.046, Fire Management Assistance Grant; 97.048, Disaster Housing Assistance to Individuals and Households; 97.050, Presidentially Declared Disaster Assistance to Individuals and Households—Other Needs; 97.056, Disaster Housing Operations for Individuals and Households; 97.160, Hazard Mitigation Grant; 97.192, Federal Emergency Management Agency Brown Fund; 97.208, Disaster Assistance to Individuals and Households; 97.209, Disaster Housing Assistance to Individuals and Households—Other Needs; 97.210, Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA); 97.211, Hazard Mitigation Grant.

W. Craig Fugate,
Administrator, Federal Emergency Management Agency.