

No Obligation to Return to India (NORI)

Applicant Name:	Passport No.:
Email Address:	Phone No.:

NORI applicants not based in USA may approach the nearest Indian Mission to avail NORI service. NORI applicants in India may approach CPV Division of the Ministry of External Affairs in New Delhi.

NORI applications for J-1 categories (Au pair and Edu Care, Camp Counsellor, Intern, International Visitor (department of state use), Professor and Research Scholar, Short-term Scholar, Specialist, Student, college/university, student, secondary, Summer Work Travel, Teacher, Trainee)

Sr. No	Mandatory Documents
Signature of the applicant on all documents should match the signature on their current valid passport	
1	Application form Download the Miscellaneous Application form and fill it up carefully. Each applicant is required to fill up separate Miscellaneous Application form
2	Photograph – Passport Size <u>Paste the applicant's photo</u> on the application form/s PHOTOGRAPH SPECIFICATIONS (Must be white background) • 2 Photos of size 51mm x 51 mm (2 by 2 size) preferably White Background– PHOTOGRAPHS MUST BE IDENTICAL. • Photo must be taken within 6 months. • Shoulder must be visible • Without glasses • Without flashlight reflection • With dark coloured attire to distinguish with white background • With good lighting on the face • Photos must be compliant with specifications. To know more about photo specifications – Please click here
3	Copy of Current Passport – Notarized and Photocopy Notarized photocopies of the first and last pages of the current valid passport
4	Copy of J1 Visa – Notarized and Photocopy Notarized photocopy of the J1 Visa page/(s).
5	Copy of Proof of Address in the USA - Notarized and Photocopy US Driving License or Utility Bill or Lease Agreement or State Identity Card or Mortgage Deed.

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The following documents are to be submitted along with an ink signed application requesting for issuance of NORI:

6	Original notarized affidavit containing full details of his/her visit to USA on student visa, especially, details of his/her Indian passport number, date and place of issue, period of stay in USA, his/her address in USA during his/her stay there and his/her present address in India where he/she is currently staying;
7	Original notarized bio-data containing full details of his/her educational qualifications, details of Passports/J1 Visa, his/her present address in India where he/she is currently staying, etc;
8	Copy of Case No. issued by US Immigration Send a copy of your CASE NUMBER given by US Immigration authorities (www.uscis.gov) to the Embassy (For Details, Please visit https://travel.state.gov/content/visas/en/study-exchange/student/residency-waiver.html).
9	Fee: Consular fee - \$25.00 per copy, \$2.00 -ICWF and VFS service fee \$19.00 . Total Fees \$46.00 per application . The fee can be paid online or through single money order / cashier's cheques, drawn in favour of "VFS Services (USA) Inc". Note: Personal cheques, personal money orders, and other banking instruments are not accepted.

Important Note:

- The Consulates in USA, Mission/Posts abroad and CPV Division will issue the waiver certificate and forward (ink signed copy only) to the Embassy of India in Washington DC for onward transmission to the Waiver Department, Department of State, who will then notify the applicant directly regarding further status of the application.
- NORI applications for J-1 category of Government Visitor shall follow the above-mentioned process after seeking clearance from their parent department.
- NORI applications for J-1 category of Physician shall follow the following the above-mentioned process after obtaining necessary clearance from Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.