



I Am a Permanent Resident...

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How Do I...Renew or Replace My Permanent Resident Card?



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A Permanent Resident Card is proof of your permanent resident status in the United States (U.S.). It also serves as a valid identification document and proof that you are eligible to live and be employed in the U.S. Although some Permanent Resident Cards, commonly known as "Green Cards," contain no expiration date, most are valid for 10 years. If you have been granted conditional permanent resident status, the card is valid for 2 years.

It is important to keep your card up-to-date. Without a valid card, it may be difficult for you to prove that you are a permanent resident and may affect your ability to travel or to prove your eligibility to be employed in the U.S.

When do I need to *renew* my Permanent Resident Card?

If your card was valid for 10 years, you should apply to renew it before it expires. If it has already expired, apply as soon as possible.

If your Permanent Resident Card is valid for 2 years, you are a conditional permanent resident. You will need to file a petition to remove the conditions of your residence before the card expires. This is not the same as simply renewing your permanent resident card.

If your card does not have any expiration date on the front, then you have a very old version. Most old versions are no longer valid. Even if yours is still valid, we recommend you apply to renew it.

When do I need to *replace* my Permanent Resident Card?

Apply to *replace* your Permanent Resident Card if any information on your card needs to be changed, or if your card has been lost, stolen, or damaged.

Also, if you became a permanent resident before you turned 14 years old, you are required to replace your card when you turn 14.

What application do I file to *replace* or *renew* my Permanent Resident Card?

To apply to renew or replace your card, use **Form I-90**, *Application to Replace Permanent Resident Card*. The I-90 is available on our website.

How do I file the I-90 to *renew* or *replace* my Permanent Resident Card?

Just follow the instructions on the application. In many cases you can **e-file** your I-90 on our website.

If you have question after you read the I-90 instructions, see our website or call us.

How do I *remove conditions* on my 2-year Conditional Permanent Resident Card?

If you are a permanent resident who was granted conditional permanent resident status, you are required to file a petition to remove those conditions within 90 days of your card expiring.

If your status was based upon a marriage, file **Form I-751**, *Petition to Remove Conditions on Residence*.

If your status was based upon being an investor/entrepreneur, file **Form I-829**, *Petition by Entrepreneur to Remove Conditions on Permanent Resident Status*.

If you do not file the petition to remove the conditions before your card expires, you may lose your permanent resident status. The I-751 and I-829 are available on our website. The instructions for the forms will give you more details. If you have questions after you read those instructions, just check our website or call customer service.



Key Information

Key forms referenced in this Fact Sheet	Form #
Application to Replace Permanent Resident Card	I-90
Petition to Remove Conditions on Residence	I-751
Petition by Entrepreneur to Remove Conditions on Permanent Resident Status	I-829

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- **On the Internet at: uscis.gov**

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- **Customer Service: 1-800-375-5283**

- Hearing Impaired TDD Customer Service: 1-800-767-1833

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