

As part of the U.S. visa application process, applicants are generally required to attend an in-person interview at a U.S. consular post (embassy or consulate). However, some applicants might not need to attend an interview if they meet specific criteria. This streamlined process is available for individuals applying in specific nonimmigrant visa categories or applying for visa renewals within the same nonimmigrant category. This process offers a more convenient and less stressful alternative to an in-person interview.

If you believe you qualify for an interview waiver, it is essential to visit your local U.S. consular post's website or appointment scheduling platform to understand the

requirements. Typically, U.S. consular posts will ask you to mail documents or schedule an appointment to submit them in person. These documents usually include the DS-160 confirmation page, a valid passport, prepaid courier packaging for passport/ document return, the fee receipt, two passport-style photographs, and I-797 approval notice.

Please note that procedures may be different among consular posts, and consular officers may still require in-person interviews in certain cases or because of local conditions. Consulting an immigration attorney is an important step in understanding the filing process and determining if you qualify for a waiver.

You may qualify for an interview waiver if:

- You are applying for an H-2A or H-2B visa (temporary agricultural and non-agricultural workers) for the first time; or
- You are applying for other nonimmigrant visa classifications and:
 - you previously had a nonimmigrant visa in any classification, unless the only previous visa was a B visa; and
 - are applying within 48 months of your most recent nonimmigrant visa's expiration date.
- You are applying in your country of nationality or residence;
- You have never been refused a visa (unless the refusal was overcome or waived); and
- You are not ineligible or potentially ineligible.

This authority is in place until further notice

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