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APPLICATION TO REPLACE A PERMANENT RESIDENT CARD (GREEN CARD) (I-90)

THIS HANDOUT DOES NOT APPLY TO INDIVIDUALS WITH A *CONDITIONAL* PERMANENT RESIDENCY CARD. Please see the handout "Petition to Remove Green Card Conditions on Residence".

A lawful permanent resident card (Green Card) usually expires after 10 years. You may renew your Green Card while in Japan and if you are unable to do so, you may be eligible for reentry into the U.S. even with an expired Green Card. See below for more details

HOW CAN I RENEW MY GREEN CARD WHILE OVERSEAS?

If you have a 10-year Green Card and your sponsor is an active duty servicemember or a DoD state-hire civilian employee with command sponsorship, you may renew your Green Card while you are overseas. You will need to file the form I-90 <https://www.uscis.gov/i-90>.

WHAT DOCUMENTS ARE NEEDED?

Follow the instructions given as you are filing. Generally, you will need the following documents:

- ☐ **Form G-1145** E-notification of Application/Petition Acceptance <https://www.uscis.gov/g-1145>
Place on top of your application package.
- ☐ **Form I-90** <http://www.uscis.gov/i-90> On top of the application form, write "Active Military Orders" or "Government Orders". Use FPO or APO address for your mailing address.
- ☐ A copy of your spouse's **military orders**
- ☐ A **photocopy of both sides of your Lawful Permanent Resident Card** (green card)
- ☐ Two properly completed **FD-258 fingerprint cards** taken by security.
- ☐ **Photos** – two identical color passport-style photos (2" x 2" or 5cm x 5 cm)
- ☐ **Fees** – A total of \$540 as of 1 April 2021 (\$455 application fee and \$85 biometric fee). Check www.uscis.gov/i-90 for the current fees. You may pay with money order, personal check, cashier's check, or credit card using Form G-1450. Make your check payable to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security. Fee Waiver Request: Check <https://www.uscis.gov/feewaiver> for eligibility and other information about a fee waiver. Please note that requesting a fee waiver may affect your current immigration status.
- ☐ Any evidence required by I-90 instruction applicable to your case.

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HOW CAN I TRACK THE DELIVERY OF MY GREENCARD?

Please visit the USCIS website to know how to track the delivery of your Green Card
<https://www.uscis.gov/forms/filing-guidance/how-to-track-delivery-of-your-green-card-employment-authorization-document-ead-and-travel-document>

CAN I TRAVEL TO THE US WITH AN EXPIRED GREEN CARD?

Dependents of Service Members or stateside-hired DoD civilians do not lose their Lawful Permanent Residence status while they are in Japan on orders plus four months after their sponsor PCS out of Japan. See the below State Department letter on travelling to the U.S. with an expired Green Card.

	<p>U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE U.S. Embassy Tokyo, Box 114 Unit 9800, Box 114, APO AP 96303-0114 USA or Box 114, 1-10-5 Akasaka, Minato-ku, Tokyo 107-8420 JAPAN</p>
<p>Subject: Travel to the U.S. on an Expired Alien Registration Card (I-151 or I-551 "green card") or Without an Immigrant Visa for a non-U.S. Citizen Spouse or Minor Child Who Was Previously Admitted to the U.S. as an Immigrant of a U.S. Military Service member or of a Direct Hire U.S. Government Civilian Employee Who Has Been Overseas on U.S. Government Orders.</p>	
<p>1. U.S. immigration regulations, contained in 8 CFR 211.1 (a)(6), permit non-U.S. citizen spouses or minor children who are returning to a lawful permanent residence in the U.S. to present a VALID OR EXPIRED alien registration receipt card (I-151 or I-551) in lieu of an immigrant visa, provided that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ the family member has resided abroad during the official overseas assignment of a military service member or a direct hire U.S. government (USG) civilian employee (sponsor);➤ the family member is preceded by, accompanying, or following to join the sponsor within 4 months of the sponsor's return to the U.S.;➤ the family member is NOT a dependent parent, parent-in-law, child over 21 years old, or ward; and➤ A family member of a non-USG or locally-hired sponsor can NOT make use of this regulation (e.g. AAFES/NEX, AmCross, MWR, contractor).	
<p>2. The authorized family member should present the following documents to the air or sea carrier to facilitate boarding:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ valid passport;➤ valid or expired I-151 or I-551; and➤ sponsor's USG orders for an official overseas assignment.	<p>If you filed your I-751 or I-90 form and received a notice from USCIS, carry both the expired green card and the USCIS notice.</p>
<p>3. A non-U.S. citizen spouse or minor child who meets the above conditions and has the required documents may be transported to the U.S. without danger of penalty imposed by section 273(b) of the Immigration and Nationality Act, as amended.</p>	

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT
Please email LegalAssistMCB@usmc.mil stating your full name, your status (AD, dependent, etc) and the reason for your appointment

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