



**U.S. Citizenship
and Immigration
Services**
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Stakeholder Message

Premium Processing Fee Increase Effective Oct. 19, 2020

U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) today [announced](#) it will increase fees for premium processing, effective Oct. 19, as required by the [Continuing Appropriations Act, 2021 and Other Extensions Act, Pub. L. No. 116-159](#), signed into law on Oct. 1. The Act includes the Emergency Stopgap USCIS Stabilization Act, which requires USCIS to establish and collect additional premium processing fees, and to use those additional funds for expanded purposes.

Background

The [USCIS premium processing service](#) allows petitioners to pay an additional filing fee to expedite the adjudication of certain forms, generally within 15 days. Pub. L. No. 116-159 increases the fee for [Form I-907, Request for Premium Processing](#), from \$1,440 to \$2,500, for all filings except those from petitioners filing [Form I-129, Petition for a Nonimmigrant Worker](#), requesting H-2B or R-1 nonimmigrant status. The premium processing fee for petitioners filing Form I-129 requesting H-2B or R-1 nonimmigrant status is increasing from \$1,440 to \$1,500.

Any Form I-907 postmarked on or after Oct. 19 must include the new fee amount. If USCIS receives a Form I-907 postmarked on or after Oct. 19 with the incorrect filing fee, we will reject the Form I-907 and return the filing fee. For filings sent by commercial courier (such as UPS, FedEx and DHL), the postmark date is the date reflected on the courier receipt.

Pub. L. No. 116-159 also gives USCIS the ability to expand premium processing to additional forms and benefit requests, but USCIS is not yet taking that action. Any expansion of premium processing to other forms will be implemented as provided in the legislation.

More Information

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Kind regards,

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