

7 FAM 1430 CARD OF IDENTITY AND REGISTRATION

7 FAM 1431 WHAT IS A CARD OF IDENTITY AND REGISTRATION

(TL:CON-55; 6-14-93)

A Card of Identity and Registration (CID) FS-225A, is a document identifying a registered U.S. citizen [see 7 FAM 1431 Exhibit 1431].

7 FAM 1432 AUTHORITY

(TL:CON-55; 6-14-93)

Authority for the issuance of Cards of Identity and Registration is found in 22 CFR 50.9 [see § 7 FAM 1412 .].

7 FAM 1433 ELIGIBILITY TO RECEIVE CARD OF IDENTITY AND REGISTRATION

(TL:CON-55; 6-14-93)

a. For many years, Cards of Identity and Registration (CID), were issued to U.S. citizens residing abroad who did not wish to apply for a passport. Other persons who preferred the convenience of a CID, upon its issuance, deposited their passport for safekeeping with the consular officer, since regulations prohibited them from having both documents in their possession at the same time.

b. Since February 1, 1991, posts may issue CIDs only in specific instances when authorized to do so by the Department. All CIDs issued prior to February 1, 1991, remain valid until their expiration date, five years from the date of issuance.

c. Upon authorization from the Department the following person(s) may be issued a CID for return to the United States:

(1) A national of the United States, not otherwise documented, who is being deported from a foreign country;

(2) A returning national whose passport has been withdrawn or who has been denied a passport under the provisions of 22 CFR, PART 50, 51, or 53. This includes U.S. nationals incarcerated abroad whose transfer to the United States, under the terms of a treaty with the incarcerating country, has been approved [see § 7 FAM 1435 and 7 FAM 150];

(3) U.S. nationals involved in a common disaster abroad, if not otherwise documented [see § 7 FAM 1436].

7 FAM 1434 APPLICATION PROCEDURES

7 FAM 1434.1 Application Form and Photographs

(TL:CON-55; 6-14-93)

- a. Application for a Card of Identity and Registration is made on Form DSP-11.*
- b. The photographs required for the issuance of a CID are the same as those required for a U.S. passport application [see §§ 7 FAM 1327 and 7 FAM 1386].*

7 FAM 1434.2 Fee

(TL:CON-55; 6-14-93)

No fee is charged for the issuance of the CID.

7 FAM 1435 ISSUANCE OF CARD OF IDENTITY AND REGISTRATION

7 FAM 1435.1 Preparation of Card

(TL:CON-55; 6-14-93)

- a. The consular officer or an employee under the officer's supervision completes the card, Form FS-225A, by typewriter, using the broken faced type font as a fraud deterrent.*
- b. The applicant signs the card in the presence of the consular officer.*
- c. The consular officer or designated post employee should mount the photograph of the applicant on the card in the same manner as a photograph is mounted in a non-machine-readable passport.*
- d. The consular officer or employee affixes the post's raised seal on the card so that it will partially cover the upper right corner of the photograph, with the balance of the seal on the card itself.*

7 FAM 1435.2 Numbering of Card

(TL:CON-55; 6-14-93)

a. Number sequentially each CID issued by the post beginning with No. 1, in the space provided at the top of the card's cover page.

b. *The post's numbering should be consecutive and should not start anew with the assignment of each new officer in charge of the office.*

7 FAM 1435.3 Period of Validity

(TL:CON-55; 6-14-93)

A Card of Identity and Registration may be issued only for direct return to the United States, except as otherwise instructed by the Department. Its period of validity should be limited to the length of time strictly necessary for the applicant to complete travel arrangement and return to the United States. In no case should the card be valid for longer than 3 months, unless otherwise instructed by the Department.

7 FAM 1436 CARDS OF IDENTITY AND REGISTRATION FOR INCARCERATED U.S. CITIZEN FUGITIVES AND U.S. CITIZENS BEING EXTRADITED

7 FAM 1436.1 Incarcerated U.S. Citizens

(TL:CON-55; 6-14-93)

a. *American citizen prisoners who do not have U.S. passports and who have been approved for transfer to the United States under the terms of an existing prisoner transfer treaty with a foreign country are normally issued Cards of Identity and Registration as evidence of their U.S.citizenship. Hold the Card of Identity and Registration at the post and turn it over to U.S. Bureau of Prisons escort personnel at the time of the transfer for presentation to the Immigration and Naturalization Service and/or U.S. Customs Service upon arrival at a port of entry into the United States. Issue Cards of Identity and Registration for this purpose for direct return to the United States.*

b. *If the American citizen prisoner possesses a valid U.S. passport, limit the passport for direct return to the United States. No CID is issued in such cases.*

c. *If the American citizen prisoner is being transferred to the United States under the terms of the Prisoner Transfer Treaty from a country contiguous with the United States, often no CID is issued. The prisoner transfers with such documentation as prescribed or arranged by the Department with the host country authorities, U.S. Bureau of Prisons, and the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization and Customs Services.*

7 FAM 1436.2 Fugitives and U.S. Citizens Being Extradited

(TL:CON-55; 6-14-93)

a. *CIDs issued to fugitives from U.S. justice being returned to the United States or other U.S. citizens being extradited should be held by the post and turned over to escort personnel, U.S. or foreign as the case may be, for presentation to INS and Customs officials upon arrival in the United States.*

b. *If the person possesses a valid U.S. passport, no CID is issued and the passport is limited for direct return to the United States.*

7 FAM 1437 CARD OF IDENTITY AND REGISTRATION FOR VICTIMS OF COMMON DISASTERS OR OTHER EMERGENCY SITUATIONS

(TL:CON-55; 6-14-93)

a. *While it is desirable to issue CIDs to undocumented U.S. citizens abroad who must travel because they are victims of a disaster, threatened by civil disturbances, or have an individual emergency, the first priority of a consular office is to assist the citizen in reaching a safe haven or returning to the United States by any legally possible means. A CID may not be necessary for this if it will unduly delay or interfere with other assistance efforts.*

b. *In many cases local authorities can be convinced to let U.S. citizens depart their country without a passport or CID. In such cases, movement out of harm's way may be achieved through "travel letters", telephonic or telegraphic requests for U.S. passport waivers or other appropriate procedures. [See 12 FAH-1 , Appendix V, Chapter 5 § 7 FAM 1474, and § 7 FAM 1316.4-3 .]*

7 FAM 1438 ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

7 FAM 1438.1 Secure Storage

(TL:CON-55; 6-14-93)

Observe the same secure storage rules for Cards of Identity and Registration as for U.S. passports. Keep the Cards in an approved vault, safe, or file cabinet equipped with a three-way combination lock, and maintain the same inventory controls as for passports.

7 FAM 1438.2 Procurement and Receipts

(TL:CON-55; 6-14-93)

a. Posts may requisition blank CIDs from CA/EX/GSD by telegram.

b. Account for receipt of such CIDs by returning the duplicate of Form DS-859A, duly signed and dated, to the shipping office.

7 FAM 1438.3 Report of Cards Issued

(TL:CON-55; 6-14-93)

The Department requires each post to report its issuances of CIDs on Form OF-177, Monthly Report of Passports Issued, as a separate item entitled "Cards of Identity and Registration," together with the "C" number of all cards issued during the previous month, the name of the person to whom the card was issued, and the date of issuance. Posts may amend Form OF-177 by typewriter to show these items [see 7 FAM 1378 Exhibit 1378.4].

7 FAM 1438.4 Issuance Recorded on Form OF-240

(TL:CON-55; 6-14-93)

Posts also record the issuance of a CID on the registrant's Passport and Nationality Card, Form OF-240.

7 FAM 1439 UNASSIGNED

7 FAM 1431 Exhibit 1431

CARD OF IDENTITY AND REGISTRATION

EXHIBIT 1431

CARD OF IDENTITY AND REGISTRATION

OFFICIAL NOTATIONS

No. _____

CARD OF IDENTITY AND REGISTRATION

SAMPLE



FOREIGN SERVICE
of the
UNITED STATES
OF AMERICA

ci 260299

FRONT

American Foreign Service
Form No. 25-A
Established April 1953

AMERICAN FOREIGN SERVICE

CARD OF IDENTITY AND REGISTRATION

This document is not a passport. It is issued only for local use. It is valid until July 10, 1992.

This is to certify that Vivian Sherwood whose photograph, description, and signature appear hereinafter is currently registered as a citizen of the United States of America.

SAMPLE

Embassy of the United States of America
Managua, Nicaragua

June 30, 1992
(Date)

PHOTOGRAPH, DESCRIPTION, AND SIGNATURE OF BEARER

PERSONAL DESCRIPTION
Place of birth New York, NY
Date of birth 10/20/63
Occupation Nurse

Photograph (The consular rubber stamp seal should partly cover title photograph)

Height 5 feet 7 inches
Hair Brown Eyes Brown

Distinctive marks None

SEAL

(Signature of bearer)

U.S.G. FD-1160-87-596

REVERSE

