

What is an Alien Number?

- An Alien Number or A# is a unique number given to a non-citizen by U.S. immigration authorities. It is a 9-digit number that may have the letter 'A' before it.
- The A# is very important and often required for immigration processes. It is a good idea to memorize the number and to write it down somewhere safe and accessible.
- If someone is detained, you will need their A# and country of birth to locate them using the ICE Detainee Locator System: <https://locator.ice.gov/odls/#/search>
- The A# is NOT a Social Security Number, Subject ID #, or Event No.



Where do I find an Alien Number?

- You can find the A# in immigration documents (e.g., work authorization, Notice to Appear, Court Hearing Notice, USCIS documents, Form I-797 Notices, Green Card)
- Depending on the immigration document, it can also be called a File # or USCIS #



Department of Homeland Security
U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services

Form I-797C, Notice of Action

THIS NOTICE DOES NOT GRANT ANY IMMIGRATION STATUS OR BENEFIT.

Receipt Number LIN1234567890	Case Type 1140 - IMMIGRANT PETITION FOR ALIEN WORKER
Received Date 12/31/2018	Petitioner SAMPLE INC
Notice Date 12/31/2018	Beneficiary A123 456 789 SAMPLE, ROHIT
Notice Type: Approval Notice Section: Indiv w/Ady Deg or Exceptional	

SAMPLE INC
c/o NAHLA SAMPLE PRESIDENT CEO



DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY
NOTICE TO APPEAR

DOB: 01/01/2001
Event No: BRO9987654321

Things under section 240 of the Immigration and Nationality Act:
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File No: 123 456 789

Name Last: Name Last: Name
NEW YORK, 12345
(Number, state and ZIP code)

currently residing at
(Area code and phone number)

ing alien.
n present in the United States who has not been admitted or paroled.

CONTROL Name (Last, First, Middle)
Last Name, First Name

Birth-date 08/11/1970	Age 55	Marital Status <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Single <input type="checkbox"/> Married <input type="checkbox"/> Divorced <input type="checkbox"/> Widowed	File Number 557755	A# 231-456-789
Sex M	Hair Brown	Eyes Brown	Height 5'8"	Weight 160
U.S. Address/Mail (Number) (Street) (City) (State) (ZIP CODE) 123 Street Name, City, NY, 11111				
Alien's Telephone # 888-111-2233		Date of Action 01/01/2021		Location Code NYC
City, Province (State) and Country of Birth Platon Besace, Haiti			Country of Citizenship Haiti	
Date, Place, Time and Manner of Last Entry/Attempted Entry 08/21/2025, 8am, El Paso			Status at Entry Status	
Foreign Address/Residence (Number, Street, City, Province (State), Country) Haiti				
Method of Location/Apprehension Entry		(At/Near) El Paso	Date & Hour 8/21/2025, 8am	



Qu'est-ce qu'un numéro A ?

- Un numéro A est un numéro unique attribué à un non citoyen par les autorités de l'immigration des États-Unis. Il s'agit d'un numéro à 9 chiffres pouvant être précédés de la lettre A.
- Le numéro A est très important et souvent nécessaire pour les procédures d'immigration. Le mémoriser et l'écrire à un endroit sûr et accessible est une bonne idée.
- Si quelqu'un est détenu, vous aurez besoin de son numéro A et son pays de naissance pour le localiser dans le système de localisation des détenus d'ICE : <https://locator.ice.gov/odls/#/search>
- Le numéro A n'est PAS un numéro de sécurité sociale, un numéro ID de sujet ou un numéro d'événement.



Où trouver un numéro A ?

- Vous pouvez trouver le numéro A sur les documents d'immigration (par exemple, une autorisation de travail, une convocation, un avis d'audience, des documents de l'USCIS, les notices du formulaire I-797, une carte verte)
- En fonction du document d'immigration, ce numéro peut aussi être appelé numéro de dossier ou numéro USCIS



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Section 240 of the Immigration and Nationality Act
FINS: 123456789

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NEW YORK, 12345

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currently residing at
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Birth Date: 08/11/1970 Age: 55 Marital Status: ☒ Single ☐ Married ☐ Divorced ☐ Widowed Fair Number: 557755 A# 231-456-789

Sex: M Hair: Brown Eyes: Brown Complexion: Brown Height: 5'8" Weight: 160 Scars: none

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