

# Temporary Protected Status (TPS) for Haiti



## What is TPS for Haiti?

TPS is a temporary immigration status that gives some Haitians protection from deportation and the ability to get a work permit. Applicants can only receive TPS for up to 18 months at a time.

## Who can apply for TPS?

Haitians who have been living in the United States since at least November 6, 2022 are currently eligible for TPS. However, the new designation now allows eligible Haitian nationals (and individuals having no nationality who last habitually resided in Haiti) who have continuously resided in the United States since June 3, 2024, to file applications for TPS.

## Temporary Protected Status (TPS) for Haiti has been Extended and Redesignated from August 4, 2024 to February 3, 2026.

Secretary of Homeland Security Alejandro N. Mayorkas announced the extension and redesignation of Haiti for Temporary Protected Status for 18 months, from August 4, 2024 to February 3, 2026.

## How to apply? For initial applicants:

- Registration period will run from July 1, 2024 to February 3, 2026; and applicants can file an application any time in that window.

To qualify, an applicant must prove both of the following:

- Continuous residence in United States since June 3, 2024
- Continuous physical presence in the United States since August 4, 2024

## How to reapply? For individuals with pending Haitian TPS applications or TPS-related I-765s as of July 1st, 2024:

- Do not need to reapply; will be automatically be considered for new designation.
- If approved, will be granted TPS/EAD through February 2026.

**For current TPS beneficiaries whose Employment Authorization Document (EAD) expires on August 3, 2024, they must **re-register between July 1, 2024 through August 30, 2024** to ensure they keep their TPS and employment authorization.**

**Applicants should only give money to an attorney or legal services agency to renew their TPS!**

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## Further Information

Anyone living in shelter or receiving a means-tested public benefit (like SNAP, TAFDC or MassHealth) may qualify for a fee waiver.

In order to receive a waiver of the fee, applicants must file Form I-912 and proof of benefit receipt with their application materials. If approved, USCIS will waive all fees associated with the application.

If the applicant does not qualify for a fee waiver, the cost of the applicants are as follows:

- Biometrics fee: \$30
- Form I-821: \$0 (renewal), \$50 (initial)
- Form I-765; \$470 (if filed online), \$520 (if filed on paper)

To stay up to date on US government announcements regarding TPS for Haiti and renewals, visit the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) website here: [www.uscis.gov/tps](http://www.uscis.gov/tps).

## Visit the MIRA Coalition website to learn more.

Scan the QR code or visit: <https://miracoalition.org/our-work/temporary-protected-status/> to learn more.

