

And I-9's

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Getting Started

- > Process to enroll in E-Verify, simple and online
- > Before you enroll, you must decide:
 - > Who will electronically sign the MOU
 - > Which hiring sites will participate
 - ➤ If you are a federal contractor with the FAR E-Verify clause, which employees will you verify
 - ➤ Which company locations will access E-Verify
 - Who in your company will have access to E-Verify
 - > Who in your company should be a program administer.

Considerations

- > Training for E-Verify Users
- > Initial and ongoing training
- Centralized process or not
- ► I-9 Training
 - ► H-1b example

Considerations

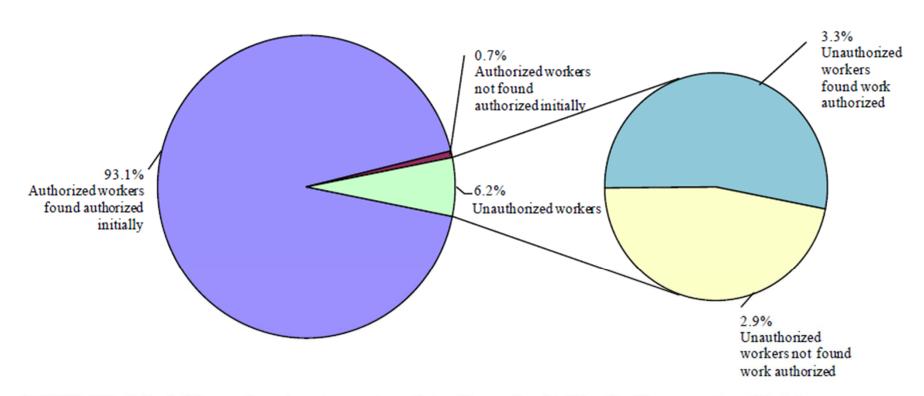
- > Accuracy problems with any of the databases?
 - > E-Verify
 - > DHS
 - >SSN

- ➤ Westat Evaluation E-Verify January 28, 2010
 - ➤ Data from September 2007 to June 2008

Westat Evaluation of E-Verify

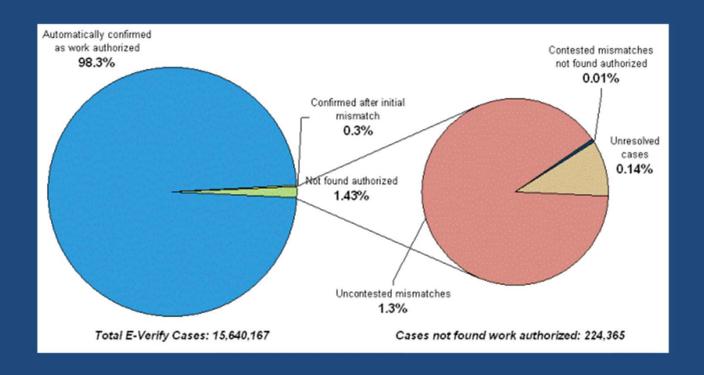
- > 96 % of all E-Verify initial responses were consistent with the person's work authorization status
- ➤ 4.1% inaccuracy rate was primarily due to identity fraud
- E-Verify reduces discrimination against foreign-born workers in the hiring process
- Employers are generally satisfied with the program and feel it is non-burdensome
- The efficiency and timeliness of the system has improved
- Protection for workers' privacy and civil rights have been strengthened.

Graph 1 - Estimated Consistency Between Initial E-Verify Finding and True Work-Authorization Status



SOURCE: Model-based estimates using data from the E-Verify Transaction Database.

Statistics Fiscal Year 2010





Voluntary service
Employer cannot require it
Allows employees to check for database
errors and correct them
Available in English and Spanish
Currently available in 21 states, including
Texas and Louisiana



What is E-Verify and how does it affect my international student employees?

- ➤ U.S. law requires companies to employ only individuals who may legally work in the United States either U.S. citizens, or foreign citizens who have the necessary authorization. This diverse workforce contributes greatly to the vibrancy and strength of our economy, but that same strength also attracts unauthorized employment.
- ➤ E-Verify is an Internet-based system that allows businesses to determine the eligibility of their employees to work in the United States. E-Verify is fast, free and easy to use and it's the best way employers can ensure a legal workforce.

- ➤ E-Verify checks the information collected on Form I-9 with the records at DHS and SSA for work eligibility and work authorization in the United States.
- ➤ E-Verify will look for any mismatch information on Form I-9 with the records at DHS and SSA.
- ➤ If a mismatch of information is found, a Tentative Non-conformation may be issued.
- ➤ If all the information matches the DHS and SSA records, the E-Verify case can be closed as Employment Authorized.

Section 1. Employee Informatio	n and Verification (To	be completed and signed by employee	at the time employment begins.)					
Print Name: Last	First	Middle Initial	Maiden Name					
Student	Ima	A						
Address (Street Name and Number)		Apt. #	Date of Birth (month/day/year)					
123 University Street			01/01/1991					
City	State	Zip Code	Social Security #					
Collegetown	Anystate	00000	000-00-0000					
I am aware that federal law provides for imprisonment and/or fines for false statements or use of false documents in connection with the completion of this form. A citizen of the United States								
Section 2. Employer Review and examine one document from List expiration date, if any, of the document	B and one from List C,	ompleted and signed by employer. Exar as listed on the reverse of this form, and	nine one document from List A OR d record the title, number, and					
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the above-listed document(s) appea	r to be genuine and to re and that to the best of m	I have examined the document(s) present elate to the employee named, that the employee is authorized to n employment.)	ployee began employment on					
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What Does the E-Verify website look like?











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Welcome to E-Verify



Need Help?

Click any (2) icon for more information or contact us at 888-464-4218 or E-Verify@dhs.gov.

E-Verify News

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Print version of Handbook for Employers (M-274) is now available 09/28/2011

The United States Citizenship and Immigration Service (USCIS) off ... read more >

Employees from Liberia with Expiring EADs May Still Be Authorized to Work 09/15/2011

E-Verify's "Work Authorization Documents Expiring ... read more >

Safeguard who uses your E-Verify company account 08/25/2011

Make it a priority to secure your company's E-Verify us ... read more >

Self Check expands to 16 additional states and is

Case Alerts: You Must Take Action!

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Enter Form I-9 Information

Verification Results

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What citizenship status did the employee choose in Section 1 of Form I-9? Select one, then click Continue.

- C A citizen of the United States
- C A noncitizen national of the United States
- C A lawful permanent resident
- An alien authorized to work

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What documents did the employee present for Section 2 of Form I-9? ? Select one, then click Continue.

- C Arrival/Departure Record (Form I-94)
- C List B and C Documents
- C Employment Authorization Document (Form I-766)
- Unexpired Foreign Passport with Form I-94

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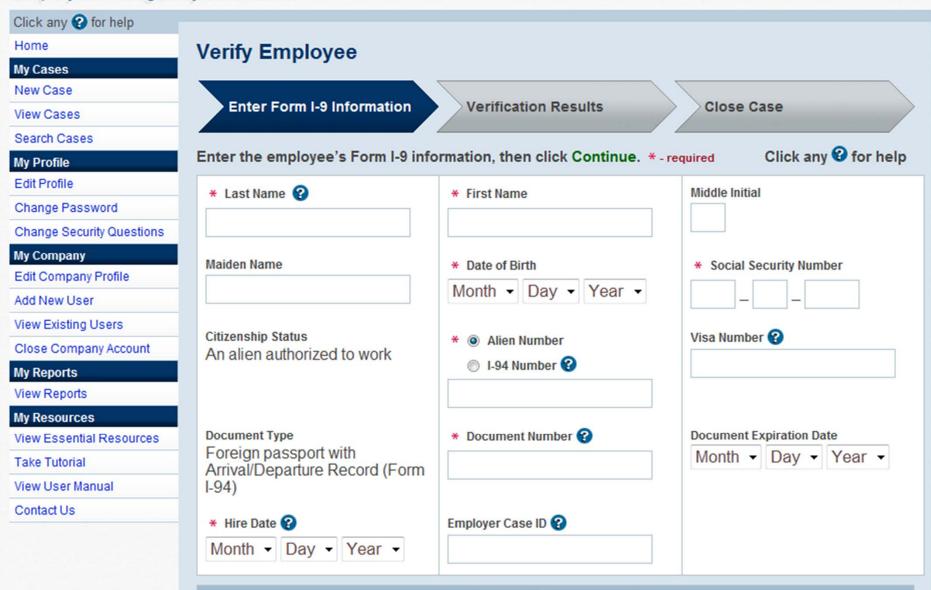
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Select or enter the reason why this case has not been submitted within 3 business days of hire, then click Continue.

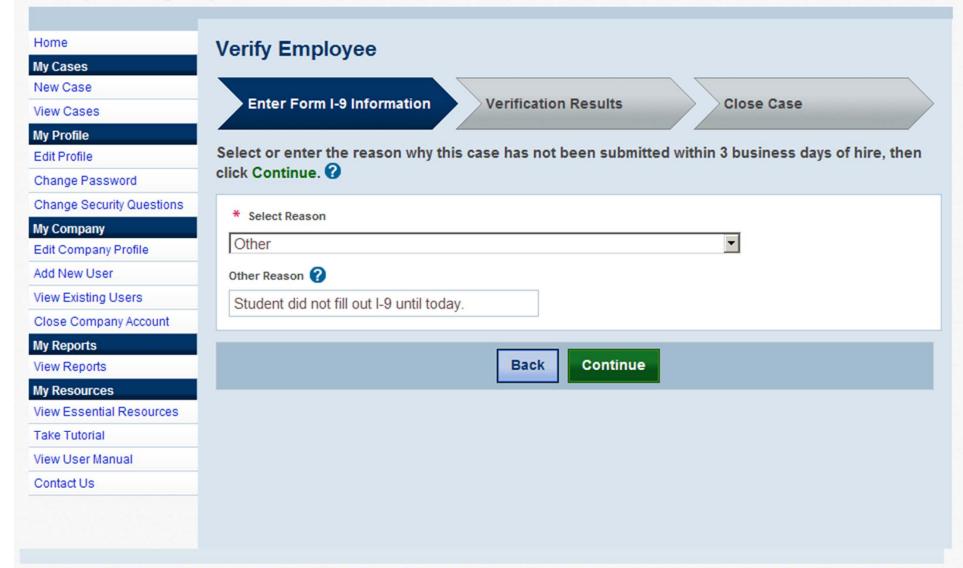






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Possible "Other" reasons:

- Employee/Dept failed to complete I-9 within the required 3 business days from date of hire.
- ➤ Professor did not advise department of hire so the employee did not complete the I-9.
- Employee mailed forms from out-of-state.
- ➤ I-9 was not delivered to E-Verify administrator in a timely manner.
- Employee and/or department completed I-9 incorrectly.







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Open Cases (3) Cases with New Updates (2) Open Cases to be Closed (0) Work Authorization Docs Expiring (8)

The 3 cases below are open. Click a case number to return to a case.

Page 1 of 1 Results Per Page 10 ▼							
Status	‡	Last Name 💠 First Na	me 💠	Case Number 💠	SSN	Hire Date 💠	
▼ DHS Tentative Nonconfirmation (TNC)				2011276162833GL	*** ** 9775	09/01/2011	
▼ DHS Tentative Nonconfirmation (TNC)				2011276105149DV	*** ** 3687	10/01/2011	
₩ SSA Case in Continuance				2011214085641JA	*** ** 5153	08/01/2011	

Possible TNC reasons:

> DHS TNC

- > SEVIS record not activated before hire date.
- > Data input error (name, passport #, etc.)
- > DHS database needs to be updated.
 - >SSA TNC
- > SSA records are incorrect.
- ➤ Multiple last names on SS card.

How do you resolve a TNC?

- > Meet with the student and discuss the TNC.
- ➤ Make sure they understand that they are not in any trouble and have done nothing wrong.
- > Explain what E-Verify does and what a TNC is.
- ➤ Let the student choose to "contest" or "not contest" the TNC.
- If they choose to "contest," print and go over the referral letter.
- ➤ If they choose "not contest," then you must terminate their employment immediately.

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- The referral letter will have case details and a case reference number.
- For a DHS TNC, advise the student of the toll free number to call.
- For a SSA TNC, advise the student of where the nearest SSA office is. The student must visit a SSA office in person.
- The student has 8 federal working days to cure the TNC with DHS or SSA.
- If not cured, a Final Non-conformation is issued and the student should be terminated immediately.

International Employee Hire Documents and the I-9 form

- Form I-9 Use only I-9 required documents, regardless of nationality.
- Coordinate campus efforts for the I-9 and I-9 update process. Establish policy and procedures.
- ➤ I-9 is *the* hire process document. It is a most complicated form to complete. I-9 training, up-to-date manual, on-line webinars, share information from conferences, sign up for listservs.

Payroll Tax Data Intake Form for Internationals

- Tax data intake form is not a condition of employment. It is a tool necessary for Payroll to determine tax status to be in compliance with IRS regs.
- ➤ Tax status = Nonresident alien or Resident Alien as defined by IRS regs. Tax status coupled with non-immigration status determines if W-4 special withholding rules are applicable, whether treaty exemption applies and what form to complete and whether FICA exemption applies.
- ➤ IRS does not stipulate the information or documentation process but a tax data intake form or electronic means of gathering information is necessary to comply with IRS regs on payroll tax withholding and/or exemptions.

Hire and payroll tax processes are related informationally but independent in terms of employment

Community College case - settlement.
http://www.justice.gov/opa/pr/2011/May/11-crt-627/html

What can we learn from this?

For the I-9 hire process, use documents listed in the Handbook for Employers, no more, no less, regardless of the nationality of the new hire.

➤ Meat processing plant case - settlement. http://www.justice.gov/opa/pr/2011/June/11-crt-844html

And what can we learn from this?

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On obtaining a Social Security Number

➤ Prepare the new hire properly on how to obtain a SSN.

➤ Develop contacts with the Managers of your local SSA office(s).

➤ New hires start work and receive pay even before receiving a SSN card.

http://www.socialsecurity.gov/employer/hiring.htm

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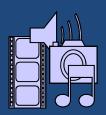


Listserv - ALIENS-L listserv – for foreign national employee taxation, withholding and reporting.

http://listserv.utk.edu/

Free USCIS webinars on I-9 and E-verify at www.uscis.gov Type in "Take a free webinar" in the search engine.

More References



M-274 Handbook for Employers http://www.uscis.gov/files/form/m-274.pdf

ICE (U.S. Immigrations and Customs Enforcement)F-1 and M-1 Students: Social Security and Tax Issues Q&A http://www.ice.gov/sevis/faqs/f1_m1_ssa_tax_information.htm

Newsletters on international taxation- Crow's Nest" http://www.windstar.com/public/articles.html

I-9 and E-Verify Blog, Newsletters and free webinars on I-9 issues www.lawlogix.com

QUESTIONS???

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