

YOUR WORKING CHECKLIST

Form I-131A: carrier documentation and return travel

How is I-131A carrier documentation different from I-131 or a Green Card replacement?

I-131A concerns carrier documentation for situations described by USCIS, including particular return-travel document problems. It is not interchangeable with I-131, I-90 or an admission decision. The official page includes special instructions and exceptions that should be read before assuming a filing is necessary.

Check the boxes on screen or by hand. Use the notes area for records to find and questions to ask.

Your preparation checklist

- ☐ Name the affected document and actual problem.
- ☐ Read I-131A special instructions and exceptions.
- ☐ Separate carrier documentation from card replacement.
- ☐ Preserve relevant notices and carrier communications.
- ☐ Treat boarding and admission as distinct questions.

Notes and questions to follow up

Source links and current instructions

Sources checked October 25, 2026. Follow current instructions at the linked institution.

USCIS: Form I-131A: carrier documentation and return travel

<https://www.uscis.gov/i-131a>

Immigrant Insider: Editorial policy and verification status

<https://immigrantinsider.com/editorial-policy/>

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