

YOUR WORKING CHECKLIST

Form I-485: understand the application

What does Form I-485 do and where are the official instructions?

Form I-485 is the application associated with registering permanent residence or adjusting status. The official USCIS form page is the starting point for the current form, instructions and filing information. This guide does not establish who is eligible.

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

Your preparation checklist

- ☐ Open the official I-485 page and instructions.
- ☐ Confirm the edition and applicable filing guidance directly.
- ☐ Create an evidence inventory from the instructions.
- ☐ Keep a copy of the completed packet and submission record.

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-485 and official instructions

<https://www.uscis.gov/i-485>

USCIS: Adjustment of status

<https://www.uscis.gov/green-card/green-card-processes-and-procedures/adjustment-of-status>

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<https://immigrantinsider.com/forms/i-485/>

General information

This free organizer is not a government form and does not submit an application, establish eligibility, preserve a deadline or replace individual legal advice. Government filing fees and professional services are separate.