

YOUR WORKING CHECKLIST

Humanitarian cases and work authorization: identify the actual category

Does every humanitarian filing automatically authorize employment?

No universal effect follows from the word humanitarian. USCIS's I-765 framework distinguishes requests for employment authorization from documents evidencing it, and individual protection categories have different rules. A receipt, category decision and EAD should remain separately identified.

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

Your preparation checklist

- ☐ Identify the actual process and decision.
- ☐ Preserve the person-specific authorization record if one exists.
- ☐ Describe the work actually contemplated.
- ☐ Keep related requests and notices separate from an assumption about permission.

Notes and questions to follow up

Source links and current instructions

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

USCIS: I-765: Employment Authorization

<https://www.uscis.gov/i-765>

USCIS: Humanitarian programs: official category navigation

<https://www.uscis.gov/humanitarian>

Immigrant Insider: Editorial policy and verification status

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

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