



# Interview Waiver for U.S. Visa Renewals

The statements below help consular officers to determine your eligibility to apply for an interview waiver but can't guarantee an issuance without appearing for an interview. Please read the checklist below and answer carefully. Before you answer "yes" to the questions below, please ensure that your situation meets the criteria.

To determine the **visa class**, please check **here**:



Please check **here** to determine whether your visa was **multiple entry** or not,

Please check visa **expiration date** **here**:

- a) You are applying within 48 months after your previous visa's expiration date
- OR
- b) Your visa is still valid; or expired less than one year ago

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| <b>YES</b>               | <b>NO</b>                | <b>General (B, C1/D**, F, M, J, O, Q):</b>   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | I am renewing my visa;   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | My last visa was "multiple" entry (it should read as "M");   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | I am a citizen or resident of Bangladesh and currently present in Bangladesh;  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | I am applying for the same visa class;   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | I was interviewed on or after January 1, 2008;   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | My most recent prior application in this category resulted in an issued visa;  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | My previous visa has never been revoked, lost, or stolen;  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | My name, date of birth, nationality, and place of birth are the same on both applications (current and previous);          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | On my previous visit to the United States, I complied with all immigration laws and regulations;                           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | My visa is still valid; or expired less than one year ago.   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | I am applying within 12 months after my previous visa's expiration date  |
| <b>YES</b>               | <b>NO</b>                | <b>For F, M, or J visa holders and their derivatives:</b>  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | a) Must meet all other general criteria as listed above;   |
|                          | <input type="checkbox"/> | b) I did not drop out of status for 5 months or more (principal F and M);  |
|                          | <input type="checkbox"/> | c) I am continuing my participation in the same program at a different institution (F, M, and their derivatives);          |
|                          | <input type="checkbox"/> | d) I am attending the same institution in a different program (F, M, and their derivatives)                                |
|                          | <input type="checkbox"/> | e) My SEVIS number has not changed from the previously issued visa (J and their derivatives);                              |
| <b>YES</b>               | <b>NO</b>                | <b>Interview Waiver Based on Age:</b>  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Must meet all other general criteria as listed above;  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | My age was over 14 when my last visa was issued  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | My age was below 14 when the last visa was issued. I am applying for visa renewal now and I am still under 14 years of age |

**If you answered yes to the above questions, you may be eligible to apply for the interview waiver. Please provide the following elements while submitting your application package at your pre-selected location:**

- Interview Waiver confirmation letter;
- Current passport that has a validity of at least six months beyond your intended stay in the U.S. (all categories);
- Passport containing most recently issued U.S. visa;
- The DS-160 nonimmigrant visa application confirmation sheet (all categories);
- Original MRV fee receipt for the visa processing (all categories);
- One photograph on a white background, 2 x 2 inches (all categories);
- Copy of I-20 (F1/F2, M1/M2);
- Original DS-2019 (J1/J2);
- Copy of SEVIS I-901 fee payment receipt (principal F, M, J);
- Copy of your CDC (Continuous Discharge Certificate) book/employment contract (for C1/D);
- Copy of Valid visa of the same visa class of either of the parents in which the child is applying (applicable for child under 14 years of age).

**\*\*** If vessel crew members only possess a C1/D visa and have not received a B1/B2 visa in the past and if they would like to apply for both C1/D and B1/B2 visas together, they must schedule a regular in-person interview instead of renewing their visa through the interview waiver program.

**Please note** that eligibility for interview waiver does not guarantee a visa issuance nor does it guarantee that the interview will be waived. Although your interview may be waived, you may still be required to appear for finger scanning. Any necessary notification will be made via the email address listed in your DS-160 online application.