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RM 10214.115 Explanation of the Systematic Alien Verification for Entitlements (SAVE) Initial Verification (IV) Response Fields

The Social Security Number Application Process (SSNAP) automatically compares data from the following fields with data entered from the immigration document to determine if the Systematic Alien Verification for Entitlements (SAVE) initial verification (IV) response agrees with the immigration document entered. For details on the specific matching criteria, see RM 10214.120.

A. Last Name

The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) electronic record shows the alien's last name in this field of the IV response. This field shows all parts of the person's last name; some people have surnames, family names, or last names with multiple parts. If the person has only a single name, the IV response shows that single name in the "Last Name" field and "FNU"(first name unknown) in the "First Name" field. Use the single name exactly as shown on the immigration document for the IV verification. Enter the single name in the "Other name used by number holder" field per RM 10205.130B. Select the single name as exactly shown on the immigration document from the "Name on DHS Document" field in the Proof of Legal Alien Status screen.

CAUTION: If the applicant married and changed their surname as a result of the marriage, but did not furnish the new surname to DHS to update its records, the DHS system will not reflect the married name. For processing, see RM 10214.120B.1.d.

B. First Name

This field shows all parts of the person's first name; some people have first names with multiple parts. If the person has only a single name, the IV response shows that single name in the "Last Name" field and "FNU" in the "First Name" field.

In some cases, this field may show the first and middle names in the first name field. Generally, this occurs when a non-immigrant completed Form I-94 (Arrival/Departure Record) and wrote both first and middle names in the "First (Given) Name" field of that form. In these cases, the first name on the DHS electronic record appears either as a first name with multiple parts or as a single part first name (first and middle name entered without a space between them).

Example: (b) (6)   completed the I-94 entering (b) (6)   in the "Family Name" area and (b) (6)   in the "First (Given) Name" area. The "First Name" field of the IV response shows the first name as either (b) (6)   or (b) (6)   (depending on whether the person keying the I-94 data entered a space between (b) (6)   and (b) (6)).

C. Middle Name

This field displays the middle initial or name.

D. Class of Admission (COA) Code

The code displayed in this field indicates the person's lawful alien status. For a list of the most common COA codes, see RM 10214.130.

There are several groups of COA codes as follows:

1. Alien was admitted as a non-immigrant

When DHS admitted the alien as a non-immigrant (alien entering the U.S. for temporary stay), the code shown in this field generally indicates the non-immigrant classification when the person was last admitted. Some admission classifications are employment authorized, but some are not. For a list of employment authorization by COA, see RM 10211.420.

Examples of codes:
- "L1" means DHS admitted the alien as an intra-company transferee and authorized employment;

- "B2" means DHS admitted the alien as a visitor for pleasure (tourist) and did not authorize employment.

2. Alien is a lawful permanent resident (LPR)

When the applicant is an LPR, the three-position code shown in the "COA Code" field indicates the section of the law that allowed DHS to admit the person or adjust status to an alien lawfully admitted for permanent residence. Since all LPRs are employment authorized, the LPR COA codes are not relevant for enumeration.

Examples of codes:
- "DV1" means the person is a diversity immigrant;

- "IR3" means the person is a foreign-born orphan adopted abroad by a United States (U.S.) citizen; and

- "FX1" means the person is the spouse of an LPR alien.

3. Alien has an employment authorization document (EAD)

When DHS grants employment authorization and issues the applicant an I-766 (EAD) card, the category code shown on the card indicating the lawful alien status will not match the COA code in the SAVE database. When you enter the alien registration number (A#) from the EAD card into SAVE, the "COA Code" in the IV response indicates the applicant's status when they were last admitted to the U.S.

Example: While visiting the U.S. in B-2 lawful alien status, (b) (6) met and married a U.S. citizen. Because of this marriage, (b) (6) then applied to DHS to adjust to LPR status. Once DHS accepted the adjustment application, they applied for and DHS issued them an EAD so they could work while his application was pending. When the A# on the EAD card is used to request

SAVE verification, the IV response shows "B-2" in the "COA Code" field. Even though (b) (6) B-2 status expired, the IV response will show the B-2 code until DHS finally approves their application to adjust their status and issues an I-551 (Permanent Resident Card) as evidence of LPR status.

4. Other status codes

For certain LPR or non-immigrant applicants, DHS uses other codes to indicate the person's lawful status.

Examples of codes:
- "CC" means parolee;

- "ABD" means abandonment of residency;

- "PEN" means a pending DHS action; and

- "EWI" means entered without inspection (used when the alien was not inspected but lawfully admitted to the U.S. by an immigration officer,)

5. Applicant has naturalized

When DHS knows that the alien has naturalized, the "COA Code" field displays "USC," meaning the person is a U.S. citizen.

E. Country

This field displays either the alien's country of birth or country of citizenship. When entering the A# to request SAVE verification, the alien's country of birth displays. When entering the Form I-94 admission number, the alien's country of citizenship displays.

F. Date of Birth

SAVE displays this field in MMDDYYYY format.

G. Date of Entry

SAVE displays this field in MMDDYYYY format. This date may be the most recent admission into the U.S., the most recent change of status for a non-immigrant or, for an LPR, the date they adjusted to LPR.

H. Date Admitted To

SAVE only displays this field when entering the I-94# to request SAVE verification. This date, shown in MMDDYYYY format, indicates when non-immigrant status ends. In certain situations (e.g., F-1 or M-1 students and J-1 exchange visitors), the date shown is "D/S" for "Duration of Stay," meaning the non-immigrant status expires when the program for which the non-immigrant was admitted is completed.

I. EAD Expiration Date

This field only displays when entering an A# to request SAVE verification. This date is the expiration date of the EAD card.

J. DHS IV Response

The message in this field provides clarification of the applicant's current lawful alien status. For an explanation of these messages, see RM 10214.125A.

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