



### I-94 Number Switching to Alphanumeric

Currently, I-94 numbers are 11 digits long and only contain numbers. The 11 digits in an I-94 number are composed of the following elements:

- [9-digit sequence] + [2-digit series]

The two-digit series, from 01 to 99, is the group within which all possible combinations of numbers are used. Once all I-94 number combinations within a series are created, that series can no longer be used.

**Beginning in May 2019**, to minimize program impact resulting from the depletion of numeric-only I-94 numbers and to create a long-term solution for the creation of new numbers, CBP is switching to alphanumeric I-94s.

- I-94 numbers will remain at 11 characters but will follow the format of 9 digits followed by a two-character alphanumeric series, with a letter in the 10<sup>th</sup> position and a digit in the 11<sup>th</sup> position.
  - [9-digit sequence] + [1 letter] + [1 digit]

**All other elements of the I-94 remain unchanged.**

### Example of Numeric and Alphanumeric I-94 Numbers

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OMB No. 1651-0111  
Expiration Date: 05/31/2015

**Most Recent I-94**

Admission (I-94) Record Number: 54813013030  
 Most Recent Date of Entry: 2015 January 05  
 Class of Admission: F1  
 Admit Until Date: D/S

Details provided on the I-94 Information form:

Last/Surname: GLOBAL  
 First (Given) Name: CITIZEN  
 Birth Date: 1992 January 08  
 Passport Number: AB002000  
 Country of Issuance: Tanzania

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Effective April 26, 2013, DHS began automating the admission process. An alien admitted or paroled into the U.S. is no longer required to be in possession of a preprinted Form I-94. A record of admission printed on the CBP website constitutes a lawful record of admission. See 8 CFR § 1.4(d).

If an employer, local, state or federal agency requests admission information, present your admission (I-94) number along with any additional required documents requested by that employer or agency.

Note: For security reasons, we recommend that you close your browser after you have finished retrieving your I-94 number.

For inquiries or questions regarding your I-94, please click here.

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### I-94 Overview

Form I-94 is an arrival/departure record issued by U.S. Customs and Border Protection to foreign visitors to the United States. In May 2013, CBP automated Form I-94 for air and sea arrivals. If travelers need a copy of their I-94 record for verification of alien registration, immigration status, work authorization or any other benefit, the I-94 can be obtained and printed from [www.cbp.gov/I94](http://www.cbp.gov/I94).

An I-94 record printed from the CBP website constitutes a lawful record of admission and should be treated by Department of Homeland Security components and other stakeholders in the same manner as a hard copy of an I-94.