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Overview

General

- Non-permanent resident aliens are non-United States citizens who are permitted to reside in the United States on a temporary basis and may have been granted authorization to work in the U.S. by the U.S. Citizenship & Immigration Services (USCIS).
- There are two criteria for a "non immigrant" to be permitted to reside in the U.S. The borrower must provide proof of *legal residency* and proof of their *legal purpose* in the U.S. (i.e., work, travel, etc.).
- All non-permanent resident aliens must have a valid social security number and provide evidence of legal residency. The acceptable Visa and/or Employment Authorization Document (EAD) classifications for each product category are shown below.

Related Bulletins

General

Related bulletins are provided below in PDF format. To view the list of published bulletins, select the applicable year below.

- 2025
- 2024
- 2023
- 2022
- 2021
- 2020
- 2019

Note: There were no bulletins issued in 2019.

Eligible Visa Classifications

Conventional Eligible Visa and Employment Authorization (EAD) Classifications

Eligible Visa Classifications

Provide an unexpired Visa with one of the following eligible Visa classifications:

A Series (A-1, A-2, A-3)

Foreign Government Official

 An A Visa recipient with diplomatic immunity is ineligible. The cover of the borrower's passport must be reviewed to ensure it does not reflect "diplomatic passport."

E Series (E-1, E-2, E-3)

Treaty traders/Treaty investors/Australian Specialty Occupation Workers

- If using income from the spouse or dependent of an E Series Visa holder, provide one of the following for the spouse:
 - Employment Authorization Document showing that work authorization status is current with the following classification code:
 - C2 for the spouse of an E-1 Visa holder,
 - A17 for the spouse of an E-2 Visa holder,
 - A17 for the spouse of an E-3 Visa holder, Or
 - An unexpired Form I-94 with a notation reflecting E-1S, E-2S or E-3S status,

Or

 An unexpired Form I-94 with a notation reflecting E-1, E-2 or E-3 status and a notice from USICS regarding the new E-1S, E-2S or E-3S admission code.

G Series (G-1, G-2, G-3, G-4, G-5)

Employees of Designated International Organizations

• G Visa recipients with diplomatic immunity is ineligible. The cover of the borrower's passport must be reviewed to ensure it does not reflect "diplomatic passport".

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Conventional Eligible Visa and Employment Authorization (EAD) Classifications,Continued

H Series (H-1B, H-1B1)

Specialty Occupations/DOD Cooperative Research and Development Project Workers

L Series (L-1A, L-1B, L2S)

Temporary Intracompany Transferees

- L-2S Visa Spouse or dependent of an L-1A or L-1B recipient. An applicant with an L-2S Visa must also have a L-1A or L-1B recipient on the loan.
- If using income from a L-2S Visa holder, provide one of the following:
 - Employment Authorization Document showing that work authorization status is current with an A18 classification code:
 - An unexpired Form I-94 with a notation reflecting L-2S status.
 - An unexpired Form I-94 with a notation reflecting L-2 status and a notice from USICS regarding the new L-2S admission code.

NATO Series (NATO 1, NATO 2, NATO 3, NATO 4, NATO 5, NATO 6

Representatives, officials, and staff coming to the US under applicable provisions of the NATO Treaty

 A NATO Visa recipient with diplomatic immunity is ineligible. The cover of the borrower's passport must be reviewed to ensure it does not reflect "diplomatic passport".

O Series (O-1A, O-1B, O-2, O-3)

Individual with extraordinary ability in science, arts, education, business, or athletics

 O-3 Visa - Spouse or dependent of a O-1A or O-1B recipient. An applicant with an O-3 Visa must also have an O-1A or O-1B recipient on the loan. An O-3 Visa holder is unable to obtain authorization to work in the US.

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Conventional Eligible Visa and Employment Authorization (EAD) Classifications, Continued

R Series (R-1, R-2)

Representative of a religious organization

 R-2 Visa - Spouse or dependent of an R-1 recipient. An applicant with an R-2 Visa must also have an R-1 recipient on the loan. An R-2 Visa holder is unable to obtain authorization to work in the US.

T Series (TN-1, TN-2, TD)

Canadian and Mexican USMCA Professional Workers

 TD Visa – Spouse or dependent of a TN-1 or TN-2 recipient. An applicant with an TD Visa must also have TN-1 or TN-2 recipient on the loan. A TD Visa holder is unable to obtain authorization to work in the US.

Additional Eligible NonPermanent Resident Aliens (Conventional)

When a borrower cannot provide evidence of an acceptable Visa classification, an Employment Authorization Document (EAD) showing that work authorization status is current is an acceptable alternative. Provide an EAD with one of the following classification codes:

- A-2, A-3, A-4, A-5, A-6, A-7, A-8, A-9, A-10, A-13, A-14, A-15, A-16, A-17, A-18, A-19, A-20
- A-12 Temporary Protected Status. Refer to the <u>Truist Temporary Protected</u> <u>Status Eligibility list</u> to confirm Temporary Protected Status eligibility.
- C-1 Dependent of an A-1 or A-2 Visa recipient. The A-1 or A-2 Visa holder must be on the loan and must not have diplomatic immunity. Refer to the A Series under Eligible Visa Classifications above.
- C-2
- C-4 Dependent of a G-1, G-3 or G-4 Visa recipient. The G-1, G-3 or G-4 Visa holder must be on the loan and must not have diplomatic immunity. Refer to the G Series under Eligible Visa Classifications above.
- C-7 Dependent of a NATO Visa recipient. The NATO Visa holder must be on the loan and must not have diplomatic immunity. Refer to the NATO Series under Eligible Visa Classifications above.
- C-9, C-10, C-14, C-16, C-19, C-24, C-25, C-26, C-31

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Conventional Visa Standards

Conventional Specific Standards

- These conventional standards apply to all conventional products allowing a nonpermanent resident alien as an eligible borrower.
- The Borrower must meet the acceptable Visa Classification or Employment Authorization (EAD Classification as stated in "Conventional Eligible Visa and Employment Authorization (EAD) Classifications above.
- For non-permanent resident aliens who have an unexpired visa, if the visa will
 expire within six (6) months of loan application and the borrower has not
 changed employers, a copy of the employer's letter of sponsorship for visa
 renewal must be provided. If the borrower is or has changed employers at or
 after loan application, a valid employment authorization document (EAD) must
 be obtained.

Note: Initial EADs are valid for one (1) or two (2) years while the Application for Adjustment of Status (green card) is pending. For EADs expiring within 90 days after the date of loan closing, documentation must be obtained that the borrower has applied for a renewal of their EAD.

- An I-797 Notice of Action/Notice of Approval with valid dates may be used as sufficient evidence of lawful U.S. residency. This document must reference an acceptable visa classification and indicate an expiration date no earlier than twelve (12) months after loan closing (Note date).
- If the employer on the I-797 *Notice of Action/Notice of Approval* is different than the employer listed on the loan application, the I-797 is no longer valid.
- If either the visa or the I-797 Notice will expire outside the Truist standards (visa within six (6) months after loan application, I-797 within twelve (12) months after loan closing), it is acceptable to obtain a letter from the employer documenting the borrower's continued employment and continued visa renewal sponsorship (employer on the loan application must be the same as on the unexpired visa).
- If a non-permanent resident alien is borrowing with a U.S. citizen, it does NOT eliminate or reduce any visa or other non-permanent resident alien documentation requirements.
- Due to the inability to compel payment or seek judgment, transactions with individuals who are not subject to United States jurisdiction are not eligible. This includes embassy personnel with diplomatic immunity. Verification the borrower does not have diplomatic immunity can be determined by reviewing the visa, passport or the U.S. Department of State's Diplomatic List at www.state.gov/s/cpr/rls/.
- All borrowers are subject to the Bank Secrecy Act (BSA), the USA PATRIOT Act, the Customer Identification Program (CIP), the Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) and Truist's client risk assessment process.



Qualification/Credit Standards

General

These qualification/credit standards apply to all Truist products. The more restrictive of the product standards will apply.

Agency Loan Programs

Non-AUS

- Standards per the applicable Agency Loan product description apply, except as follows:
 - A valid Social Security Number (SSN) is required for all non-U.S. citizen borrowers.
 - Truist does not allow the use of an Individual Tax Identification Number (ITIN) in lieu of a valid SSN. An ITIN is a nine digit number, beginning with the number 9, issued by the IRS for tax reporting purposes to non-U.S, citizens who are not eligible to obtain an SSN. An ITIN or Matricula Consular Card does not evidence a borrower's right to earn income in the U.S.
 - Credit History
 - Credit History standards per the applicable Agency loan product will apply.
 - All borrowers on the loan must meet the minimum required credit score for the loan program they are applying for.
- The lender must document all sources of funds used for down payments, closing costs and financial reserves. All documents of a foreign origin must be completed in English, or the originator must provide a translation, attached to each document, and ensure the translation is complete and accurate.

Reference: See the "Foreign Assets" subtopic presented in the "Cash Requirements" topic, within <u>Section 2.01: Agency Loan Standard</u>, for additional guidance when the source of funds needed for down payment, closing costs, or financial reserves originates from assets located outside of the United States and its territories.

Fannie Mae DU

Follow DU requirements, which are the same as non-AUS requirements.

• Freddie Mac LPA

Follow LPA requirements, which are the same as non-AUS requirements, except as follows:

- See "Source of Funds from Outside the United States and its Territories" in the
 "General Asset Information" subtopic, presented in the "Cash Requirements"
 topic, within <u>Section 2.01</u>: <u>Agency Loan Standard</u>, for LPA specific guidance
 when the source of funds needed for closing is, or otherwise originates from,
 asset(s) located outside the United States and its territories:
- See "Documents of Foreign Origin and Documents in a Foreign Language" in the
 "General Requirements for Verifying Documents" section of the "General Asset
 Documentation Requirements" subtopic, within <u>Section 2.01: Agency Loan
 Standard</u>, for LPA specific requirements when funds from outside the United
 States and its territories are used to qualify the borrower for the mortgage
 transaction.



FHA Specific Standards

FHA Specific Standards

- A Borrower with citizenship in the Federated States of Micronesia, the Republic
 of the Marshall Islands, or the Republic of Palau may be eligible for FHAinsured financing provided the Borrower satisfies the same requirements,
 terms, and conditions as those for U.S. Citizens.
- Provide an unexpired Employment Authorization Document with an eligible A-8 classification.

VA Standards

VA Specific Standards

- Non-permanent resident alien veteran borrowers are ineligible.
- A Non-Permanent Resident borrowing spouse of a veteran must meet Truist's acceptable Employment Authorization Document (EAD) classifications.
- A valid social security number is required.

VA Eligible Employment Authorization (EAD) Classifications

For Non-Permanent Resident borrowing spouses, provide evidence of an Employment Authorization Document showing that work authorization status is current is acceptable, with one of the following classification codes:

- A-2, A-3, A-4, A-5, A-6, A-7, A-8, A-9, A-10, A-13, A-14, A-15, A-16, A-17, A-18, A-19, A-20
- A-12 Temporary Protected Status. Refer to the <u>Truist Temporary Protected</u> Status Eligibility list to confirm Temporary Protected Status eligibility.
- C-2, C-9, C-10, C-14, C-16, C-19, C-24, C-25, C-26, C-31

RD Eligible Employment Authorization (EAD) Classifications

RD Specific Standards

- Eligible borrowers include:
 - Qualified aliens,
 - · Permanent resident aliens, and
 - Non-Permanent Resident Aliens

Refer to "RD Eligible Employment Authorization (EAD) Classifications" in the below section.

Qualified Alien

A qualified alien includes both non-permanent and permanent residents.

Note: The USDA borrower must meet the requirements below for non-permanent residents in the following sub-topic categories:

Eligible Non-Permanent Resident Aliens



RD Eligible Employment Authorization (EAD) Classifications, continued

Eligible Non-Permanent Resident Aliens

Provide an unexpired Employment Authorization Document with one of the following eligible classifications:

- A-3, A-4, A-5, A-10
 - In lieu of the Employment Authorization Document, the following is acceptable:
 - USCIS Form 1-571, Refugee Travel Document
 - USCIS Form 1.94, Arrival-Departure Record with one of the following annotations:
 - Admitted as Refugee Pursuant to Section 207;
 - Section 208 or Asylum; or
 - Section 243(h) or Deportation stayed by Attorney General