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Temporary Protected Status Designated Country: El Salvador

- Temporary Protected Status Extended for El Salvador

TPS extended through:	September 9, 2016
Re-registration period for People Who Already Have TPS:	January 7, 2015 - March 9, 2015
Employment Authorization Document (EAD)Auto-Extended Through:	September 9, 2015*
Continuous Residence in U.S. Since:	February 13, 2001
Continuous Physical Presence in U.S. Since:	March 9, 2001
TPS Designation Date:	March 9, 2001
Federal Register Notice Citation:	80 FR 893

***UPDATE:** In late September 2015, USCIS had approximately 6,000 El Salvador TPS renewal cases pending adjudication, meaning these re-registrants have not received a new EAD to replace the one that expired on Sept. 9. On Oct. 5, USCIS began the process to issue interim EADs with a 180-day validity period to TPS El Salvador re-registrants whose cases are pending adjudication. USCIS expects to adjudicate these cases and issue final EADs to eligible beneficiaries by the end of December. The final EAD will have an expiration date of Sept. 9, 2016.

Alert: The [Central American Minors \(CAM\) Refugee/Parole Program](#) provides certain qualified minors in El Salvador a safe, legal, and orderly alternative to the dangerous journey that some children are currently undertaking to the United States. Parents with Temporary Protected Status may be eligible to apply for their children.

More Information

Relevant Law

- INA Section 244
- 8 CFR Part 244

Forms

- I-821, Application for Temporary Protected Status
- I-765, Application for Employment Authorization
- I-131, Application for Travel Document
- I-912, Request for Fee Waiver
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When to File for TPS

In order for you to maintain Temporary Protected Status (TPS), you must re-register during the 60-day re-registration period that runs from January 7, 2015 through March 9, 2015. We encourage you to register as soon as possible within the 60-day re-registration period.

If you have never been granted TPS, you may be eligible to file a late initial application. Go to the "Filing Late" section on the [TPS Web page](#) for more information.

Where to File

Send your TPS package to the appropriate address in the table below:

If you:	Then, mail your application to:
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<p>Are applying for re-registration and you live in the following states/territories:</p> <p>Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, New Hampshire, New Jersey, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Vermont, Virginia, Washington D.C., West Virginia</p>	<p>US Postal Service: U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Attn: TPS El Salvador P.O. Box 8635 Chicago, IL 60680-8635</p> <p>Non-US Postal Delivery Service: U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Attn: TPS El Salvador 131 S. Dearborn – 3rd Floor Chicago, IL 60603-5517</p>
<p>Are applying for re-registration and you live in the following states/territories:</p> <p>Alabama, Alaska, American Samoa, Arkansas, Colorado, Guam, Hawaii, Idaho, Iowa, Kansas, Louisiana; Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, New Mexico, New York, North Dakota, Northern Mariana Islands, Oklahoma, Puerto Rico, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Virgin Islands, Wisconsin, Wyoming</p>	<p>US Postal Service: U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Attn: TPS El Salvador P.O. Box 660864 Dallas, TX 75266</p> <p>Non-US Postal Delivery Service: U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Attn: TPS El Salvador 2501 S. State Highway, 121 Business Suite 400 Lewisville, TX 75067</p>
<p>Are applying for re-registration and you live in the following states:</p> <p>Arizona, California, Nevada, Oregon, Washington</p>	<p>US Postal Service: U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Attn: TPS El Salvador P.O. Box 21800 Phoenix, AZ 85036</p> <p>Non-US Postal Delivery Service: U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Attn: TPS El Salvador 1820 E. Skyharbor Circle S, Suite 100 Phoenix, AZ 85034</p>
<p>Are applying for the first time as a late initial registration (this is for all states/territories)</p>	<p>US Postal Service: U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Attn: TPS El Salvador P.O. Box 8635 Chicago, IL 60680-8635</p> <p>Non-US Postal Delivery Service: U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Attn: TPS El Salvador 131 S. Dearborn - 3rd Floor Chicago, IL 60603-5517</p>

Automatic Employment Authorization Document (EAD) Extension

USCIS has automatically extended the validity of employment authorization documents (EADs) issued under the last extension of TPS El Salvador for an additional 6 months, through September 9, 2015. If you are a TPS beneficiary under the El Salvador designation and your EAD is based on your TPS status with an original expiration date of March 9, 2015, your EAD is covered by this automatic extension and you may continue to work.

To continue working legally, you may show the following documentation to your employer and government agencies:

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- Your TPS-related EAD with a March 9, 2015, expiration date
- A copy of the [Federal Register notice](#)

Your employer may rely on the Federal Register notice as evidence of the continuing validity of your EAD. Go to the "[Documentation Employers May Accept and Temporary Protected Status Beneficiaries May Present as Evidence of Employment Eligibility](#)" page for more information.

If USCIS approves your TPS re-registration application and you paid the fee for a new EAD (or USCIS approved your fee waiver request), you will be issued a new EAD with the expiration date of September 9, 2016.

For more information on TPS eligibility requirements, what to file, and step-by-step instructions go to the [TPS page](#).

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