

## USCIS Launches Naturalization and Citizenship Certificate Redesign Pilot

On Jan. 22, 2018, four USCIS field offices and one service center will participate in a 10-day pilot to issue redesigned citizenship and naturalization certificates to U.S. citizens. The pilot sites are:

- Norfolk Field Office
- Tampa Field Office
- Minneapolis-St. Paul Field Office
- Sacramento Field Office
- Nebraska Service Center

The redesign is part of an ongoing USCIS initiative to deter counterfeiting by adding enhanced graphics and fraud-resistant security features to critical documents.

Although the design is new, the process of applying for and receiving naturalization and citizenship certificates will not change. Previously issued certificates will remain valid as proof of citizenship or naturalization, regardless of when they were issued. It is only necessary to replace a certificate if it is lost or contains incorrect information.

Pending a successful pilot, we will begin to issue the new certificates nationwide at a future date.

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