



## **M-19P Declaration of Citizenship Status**

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**Notice: Federal Regulations prohibit providing housing assistance to persons other than United States citizens, nationals or certain other categories of eligible noncitizens.**

**Each family member, regardless of age, is required to submit a declaration of citizenship status. Please read the declaration carefully and feel free to consult with an immigration attorney or other immigration expert of your choice.**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, certify, under penalty of perjury--(1), that, to the best of my knowledge, I am lawfully within the United States because (please check appropriate box):

\_\_\_ I am a citizen, naturalized citizen or national of the U.S.

\_\_\_ I have eligible immigration status and I am 62 year of age or older. Attach evidence of proof of age (2).

\_\_\_ I have eligible immigration status as checked below (see second page of this form for explanations). Attach INS document(s) evidencing eligible immigration status and signed verification consent form.

\_\_\_ Immigrant status under Section 101(a)(15) or 101(a)(20) of the INA (3)

\_\_\_ Permanent residence under Section 249 of INA (4)

\_\_\_ Refugee, asylum, or conditional entry status under Sections 207, 208 or 203 of the INA (5)

\_\_\_ Parole status under Section 212(d)( C5) of the INA (6)

\_\_\_ Threat to life or freedom under the Section 243(h) of the INA (7)

\_\_\_ Amnesty under Section 245A of the INA (8).

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Adult Family Member

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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**Note: Section 101 of Title 18 of the US Code states that a person is guilty of a felony for knowingly and willing making false or fraudulent statements to any department of the United States Government.**

**INSTRUCTIONS TO ADULT FAMILY MEMBER (18 AND OVER) FOR COMPLETING FORM:** Print or type first name, middle initial(s), and last name. Place an "X" in the appropriate box(es). Sign and date form.

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING FORM FOR MINORS (17 AND UNDER):** Print or type first name, middle initial(s), and last name of minor. Place an "X" in the appropriate box(es). The form must be signed by the adult residing in the unit, who is responsible for the minor.

- (1) Warning: 18 U.S.C. 1001 provides, among other things, that whoever, knowingly and willfully makes or uses a document or writing containing any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statement or entry, in any matter within the jurisdiction of any department or agency of the United States, shall be fined not more than \$10,000, or imprisoned for not more than five years, or both.

The following footnotes pertain to noncitizens who declare eligible immigration status in one of the following categories:

- (2) Eligible immigration status and 62 years of age or older. For noncitizens who are 62 year of age or older and receiving assistance under a Section 214 covered program on June 19, 1995. If you are eligible and elect to select this category, you must provide proof of age. No further documentation of eligible immigration status is required.

- (3) Immigrant status under Section 101(a)(15) or 101(a)(20) of INA. A noncitizen lawfully admitted for permanent resident, as defined by Section 1019(a)(20) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA), as an Immigrant, as defined by Section 101(a)(15) of the INA (8 U.S.C. 1101(a)(20) and 1101(a)(15)), respectively [immigrant status]. This category includes a noncitizen admitted under Section 210 or 210A of the INA (8 U.S.C. 1160 or 1161), [special agricultural worker status], who has been granted lawful temporary resident status.

- (4) Permanent residence under Section 249 of INA. A noncitizen who entered the U.S. before January 1, 1972, or such later date as enacted by law, and has continuously maintained residence in the U.S. since then, and who is not ineligible for citizenship, but who is deemed to be lawfully admitted for permanent residence as a result of an exercise of discretion by the Attorney General under Section 249 of the INA (8 U.S.C. 1259) [amnesty granted under INA 249].

- (5) Refugee, asylum or conditional entry status under Section 207, 208 or 203 of INA. A noncitizen who is lawfully present in the U.S. pursuant to admission under Section 207 of the INA (8 U.S.C. 1157) [refugee status], pursuant to the granting of asylum (which has not been terminated) under Section 208 of the INA (8 U.S.C. 1158) [asylum status]; or as a result of being granted conditional entry under Section 203(a)(7) of the INA (8 U.S.C. 1153(a)(7)) before April 1, 1980, because of persecution or fear of persecution on account of race, religion, or political opinion or because of being uprooted by catastrophic national calamity [conditional entry status].

- (6) Parole status under Section 212(d)(5) of INA. A noncitizen who is lawfully present in the U.S. as a result of an exercise of discretion by the Attorney General for emergent reasons or reasons deemed strictly in the public interest under Section 212(d)(5) of tree INA (8 U.S.C. 1182(d)(5)) [parole status].

- (7) Threat to life or freedom under Section 243(h) of INA. A noncitizen who is lawfully present in the U.S. as a result of the Attorney General's withholding deportation under Section 243(h) of the INA (8 U.S.C. 1253(h)) [threat to life or freedom].

- (8) Amnesty under Section 245A of the INA. A noncitizen lawfully admitted for temporary or permanent residence under Section 254A of the INA (8 U.S.C. 1255a) [amnesty granted under INA 245A].