

# 2021 DIVERSITY VISA (DV) PROGRAM INSTRUCTIONS

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Follow the steps below to complete your Diversity Visa Program entry. Read the full instructions carefully prior to starting your application at [dvlottery.state.gov](https://dvlottery.state.gov).

# 1

## READ THE INSTRUCTIONS.

DV 2021 Instructions can be found at [travel.state.gov](https://travel.state.gov).



# 2

## FILL OUT & SUBMIT APPLICATION.

Enter between noon on October 2, 2019 and noon on November 5, 2019. Applications can be submitted online at [dvlottery.state.gov](https://dvlottery.state.gov), (multiple entries will be disqualified).



# 3

## KEEP YOUR CONFIRMATION NUMBER.

Make sure you keep the confirmation number at the end of your entry and don't share it with anyone.



# 4

## ENTRANT STATUS.

Check if you were selected starting May 5, 2020. Use your confirmation number to determine whether you have been selected on Entrant Status Check, available at [dvselectee.state.gov](https://dvselectee.state.gov).



# 5

## HOW TO RESPOND.

If selected, follow the instructions on Entrant Status Check [dvselectee.state.gov](https://dvselectee.state.gov).



# 6

## INTERVIEW PROCESS.

Selected individuals who respond to the instructions provided on Entrant Status Check will receive notification of their scheduled IV appointment through Entrant Status Check. The immigrant visa application fee is paid at the Embassy or Consulate at the time of the interview. This is the **ONLY** fee the U.S. government charges for the DV program.



## TIPS:

**Avoid Fraud & Scams:** Some websites and emails try to mislead customers into thinking they are official U.S. government websites.

**Do your own application:** The online entry application is simple and free of charge.

**Follow the rules:** Read the application instructions carefully to avoid disqualification at [dvlottery.state.gov](https://dvlottery.state.gov).