

USCIS' Permanent Resident Card is Again Green

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U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) has begun issuing a redesigned Permanent Resident Card - commonly known as the "Green Card" - to incorporate several major new security features. The redesign resulted from extensive collaboration with the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Screening Coordination Office, the Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Forensic Document Laboratory, and U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP). Among the new card's features are:

- USCIS' number is now listed on the front of the card. The alien registration number is listed on the back of the redesigned Green Card (i.e., A# 000-000-000)
- Special ink creates color shifts in visual designs (e.g., eagle's head)
- Fine-lined artwork and complex architecture incorporate patterns that are nearly impossible to reproduce
- Standard card design and personalized features are integrated to deter fraud attempts, e.g., alteration of the photograph
- Greater detail in photograph makes for easier identification of the bearer
- Ultra-violet technology and tactile clues allow accurate card authentication at border crossings
- Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) allows government inspectors to read unique, 192-bit serial number (192-bits) from a distance and link the information to the personal data on file
- Personalized return address on back of card doubles as security feature and as customer-service enhancement to facilitate easy return of lost cards to USCIS
- In keeping with its nickname, the redesigned Permanent Resident Card is again green.

For more information and to see the new card, please [click here](#).

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