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The following documents should be submitted with the application for an **Employment Authorization Document (EAD card)**

1. **Form I-765** signed and dated.
  - Form is fillable on the web
  - Answer to #16 on the form is (c )(5)
  - Make sure you input an address on file with USCIS at <https://www.uscis.gov/addresschange>
  - The EAD card will be mailed to the address that is noted on file
  
2. I-765 filing fee in form of check or money
  - Payable to Dept. of Homeland Security
  - See for [current filing fees here](#)
  
3. Copy of J2 dependent's immigration documents:
  - Signed DS2019
  - I-94 card/ [admission record](#)
  - Passport biography page
  - J2 visa and visa stamp
  
4. (2) passport-sized photographs, per DHS instructions
  - must meet U.S. passport specs
  
5. Copy of J1 spouse's immigration documents:
  - Signed DS2019
  - I-94 card/ [admission record](#)
  - Passport biography page
  - J1 visa and visa stamp
  
6. Statement written and **signed by the J-2** stating that the employment is **not** necessary to support living expenses. *Statement should explain why the J2 dependent wants to work*
  
7. Copy of the current EAD card (if applying for an EAD renewal)
  
8. To receive a text message and/or email when USCIS accepts your Form I-765, complete [Form G-1145](#) and attach to top of the application

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\* **Photocopy the signed I-765 and the check to DHS for your records before you mail the application**

\*\* **EAD** cards are issued in one year increments. However, they will not be issued beyond the end date of the current DS 2019. It is critical that you **apply to renew an EAD** at least three months before your current EAD expires, so that you will not have to stop working while waiting for the new EAD.

\*\*\* The address you list on the I-765 is the address to where the EAD card will be sent. The U.S. Postal Service is not allowed to forward mail from USCIS. **If you move while the petition is pending you must notify USCIS by updating your address online:** <https://www.uscis.gov/addresschange>