

Ciudad Juarez Requires Electronic DS-160 For All Non-immigrant Visa Applicants

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Beginning January 20, 2009, all non-immigrant visa applicants, regardless of visa class, with an appointment at the U.S. Consulate General in Ciudad Juarez, Mexico will be required to use the DS-160 electronic NIV application form. This form takes the place of the DS-156, DS-157, and DS-158 paper forms. (Note: E class investor applicants will need to fill out DS-156E in addition to DS-160. K class visa applicants will continue to use the DS-156 and DS-156K forms).

Applicants must fill out completely and accurately all questions presented in the online application process. Applicants who incorrectly fill out the form, leave information blank or attempt to use previous paper based forms will be denied, asked to resubmit their applications online again, and required to schedule a new appointment. Applicants need only print the Confirmation Page available after the form is complete and bring it with them to their interview.

Also, as a reminder, the U.S. Consulate in Ciudad Juarez now accepts legal inquiries exclusively through its online form. Inquiries sent through other means will face significant delays in processing.

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