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**ALL THE INFORMATION PRESENTED IS IN
GENERAL. THIS INFORMATION MAY VARY DEPENDING
ON EACH INDIVIDUAL CASE**

**PLEASE VISIT YOUR LOCAL IMMIGRATION OFFICE FOR
PERSONALIZED INFORMATION REGARDING YOUR
PARTICULAR CASE**

IMMIGRATION LAW
VALID SINCE: MAY 25, 2011

**WITH THE EXCEPTION OF CHAPTERS I AND II AND TITLE IV
(IN RELATION TO VISAS AND NEW IMMIGRATION STATUS)**

**NEW REGULATIONS OF
IMMIGRATION LAW**
VALID SINCE: NOVEMBER 9, 2012

CHANGES IN IMMIGRATION STATUS

**NON-IMMIGRANT
TOURIST**



**VISITOR WITHOUT WORK
AUTHORIZATION**



CHANGES IN IMMIGRATION STATUS

**FM3
or
FM2**



**NON-IMMIGRANT
or
IMMIGRANT**



**TEMPORARY
RESIDENT**



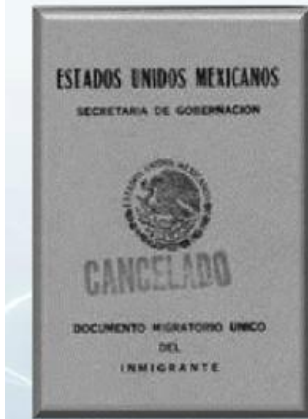
The diagram illustrates the change in immigration status. On the left, a document titled "NO INMIGRANTE" is crossed out with a large red 'X'. This document includes fields for: Nombre/Name, Nacionalidad/Nationality, País/Country, Fecha de nacimiento/Date of birth, CURP, Ciudad/City, and Estado/State. Below it, another document is partially visible with fields for: Fecha de expedición/Date of issue, Fecha de vencimiento/Expiration, and a note: "El extranjero no residente recibe temporalmente en México. The holder of the document is a temporary resident in Mexico." On the right, a new document titled "TEMPORARY RESIDENT" is shown. It includes fields for: Nombre/Name, Nacionalidad/Nationality, País/Country, Sexo/Sex, Fecha de nacimiento/Date of Birth, CURP, Condición de Estancia/Residence Status, and Modalidad/Modality. Below this, there are sections for: Lugar y Fecha de Expedición/Date of issue, No. de Renovación/Renovation No., and a box for the OCR code. The new document also has a section for "Espacio para leyendas" (Legend space) and "Espacio para Código OCR" (OCR Code space).

CHANGES IN IMMIGRATION STATUS

**PERMANENT
IMMIGRANT
“INMIGRADO”**

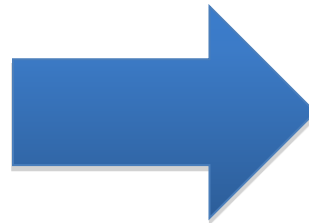


**PERMANENT
RESIDENT**



CHANGES IN CONDITION

TOURISTS ON VISITOR PERMITS OR VISAS WILL NOT BE ABLE TO CHANGE THEIR STAY CONDITION WITHIN MEXICO AND WILL REQUIRE TO EXIT THE COUNTRY UPON EXPIRATION OF THEIR AUTHORIZED TIME OF STAY



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NUE

1 Espacio para el nombre del documento

Nombre/Name:
Nacionalidad/Nationality: País/Country:
Fecha de Nacimiento/Date of Birth: Sexo/Sex:
CURP:

2 Espacio que indica permiso o no de trabajo:

Fecha de vencimiento/Date of expiration:

WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THOSE WHO ARE KIN OF MEXICAN CITIZENS OR FOR HUMANITARIAN REASONS

NEW STAY TERMS

VISITOR



**UP TO 180
DAYS**

TEMPORARY RESIDENT



UP TO 4 YEARS

PERMANENT RESIDENT



**DOES NOT EXPIRE
(EXCEPT MINORS)**

TEMPORARY RESIDENT

- CAN APPLY FOR A CARD WITH A VALIDITY OF 1, 2, 3 or 4 YEARS
- HAS THE POSSIBILITY OF A WORK PERMIT
- UNLIMITED ENTRIES AND EXITS
- RIGHT TO FAMILY UNITY (MAY PETITION FOR FAMILY MEMBERS)

OBLIGATED TO COMMUNICATE ANY CHANGES IN:

- ADDRESS
- EMPLOYER
- CIVIL STATUS
- CHANGE OF CITIZENSHIP

WITHIN **NINETY DAYS** OF ANY OF THESE CHANGES



PERMANENT RESIDENT

- UNLIMITED STAY
- WORK PERMITTED (IMPLICIT BY PERMANENT STATUS)
- UNLIMITED ENTRIES AND EXITS
- RIGHT TO FAMILY UNITY (MAY PETITION FOR FAMILY MEMBERS)

OBLIGATED TO COMMUNICATE ANY CHANGES IN:

- ADDRESS
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WHO QUALIFIES FOR PERMANENT RESIDENCE?

- **BY NEXT-OF-KIN RIGHT TO PRESERVE FAMILY UNIT**
- **RETIREES (\$3,000 USD IN MONTHLY INCOME or \$12,000 USD IN INVESTMENTS)**
- **BY RIGHT TO PRESERVE FAMILY UNIT**
- **4 YEARS OF UNINTERRUPTED AND REGULAR STATUS AS TEMPORARY RESIDENT**
- **2 YEARS AS TEMPORARY RESIDENT AND LEGAL SPOUSE OF A PERMANENT RESIDENT OR MEXICAN CITIZEN**
- **HUMANITARIAN REASONS**



EXCEPTIONAL APPLICATION PERIOD FOR PERMANENT RESIDENCE

- WHEN YOUR CURRENT NON-IMMIGRANT OR IMMIGRANT DOCUMENT (FM3 O FM2), HAS BEEN AUTHORIZED FOR A **3rd RENEWAL OR IS WITHIN ITS THIRD YEAR**, YOU CAN APPLY FOR A CHANGE OF CONDITION TO PERMANENT RESIDENT WITHIN 6 MONTHS PRIOR TO THE DOCUMENT'S EXPIRATION DATE
- WHEN YOUR CURRENT NON-IMMIGRANT OR IMMIGRANT DOCUMENT (FM3 O FM2), HAS BEEN AUTHORIZED FOR A **4TH RENEWAL PERIOD OR LAST RENEWAL YEAR**, YOU CAN APPLY FOR A CHANGE OF CONDITION TO PERMANENT RESIDENT WITHIN THE 6 MONTHS FOLLOWING ITS EXPIRATION



VISA AUTHORIZATIONS

VISAS OBTAINED AT MEXICAN CONSULATE OFFICES (ABROAD)

- VISITOR VISA WITH OR WITHOUT WORK PERMIT (U.S. /CAN CITIZENS EXEMPT)
- VISITOR VISA FOR ADOPTION PROCESS PURPOSES IN MEXICO
- TEMPORARY RESIDENT - STUDENT
- **TEMPORARY RESIDENT**
- **PERMANENT RESIDENT**

VISAS OBTAINED AT INM OFFICES (WITHIN MEXICO)

- WORK PERMIT
- FAMILY REUNIFICATION
- HUMANITARIAN REASONS



ONCE THE VISA HAS BEEN OBTAINED...



1.- ONCE THE MEXICAN CONSULATE HAS ISSUED THE REQUESTED VISA, YOU CAN ENTER THE COUNTRY TO APPLY YOUR RESIDENT CARD.

2. – UPON ENTRY YOU **MUST** SHOW THE VISA TO THE IMMIGRATION OFFICER. OTHERWISE YOU WILL BE GIVEN A TOURIST VISA AND YOUR APPLICATION WILL BE CANCELLED.

3.- THE IMMIGRATION OFFICER WILL ISSUE A “FMM” FORMAT FOR EXCHANGE WITH A VALIDITY OF **30 DAYS**

4.- YOU MUST APPLY FOR A RESIDENT CARD (TEMPORARY OR PERMANENT) AT YOUR LOCAL INM OFFICE. YOU WILL NEED TO SHOW COPY OF THE VISA, ORIGINAL “FMM” FORM AND PAY THE CORRESPONDING FEES, **WITHIN 30 DAYS OF YOUR ENTRY INTO MEXICO**

APPLICATION TIMEFRAMES

- ALL DOCUMENTS CAN ONLY BE RENEWED **30 DAYS PRIOR TO THE EXPIRATION DATE**
- CHANGES IN IMMIGRATION CONDITION CAN BE SOLICITED AT ANY TIME AS LONG AS THE APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS ARE MET.
- THE AVERAGE RESOLUTION TIME (JUST APPROVAL) FOR AN ORDINARY APPLICATION IS **20 WORKING DAYS**
- ONCE YOUR APPLICATION HAS BEEN APPROVED, THE IMMIGRATION OFFICE WILL REQUIRE YOUR FINGERPRINTS AND SIGNATURE; AFTER THAT, YOUR FILE WILL BE SENT TO MEXICO CITY CENTRAL OFFICES TO PROCESS YOUR RESIDENT CARD
- THE AVERAGE WAIT TIME FOR RESIDENT CARDS IS AN ADDITIONAL **2 TO 3 WEEKS**



COST AND REPLACEMENT OF DOCUMENTS

- THE COST FOR REPLACEMENT BECAUSE OF THEFT, LOSS OR DESTRUCTION IS THE SAME AS THE INITIAL APPLICATION COST.

Temporary Resident
1 year..... \$ 3,130.00
2 years \$ 4,690.00
3 years \$ 5,940.00
4 years \$ 7,040.00

Permanent Resident
\$ 3,815.00

Visitor (Tourist)
\$ 295.00

- THE EXCHANGE OF AN “INMIGRADO” (PERMANENT RESIDENT BOOKLET) FOR A PERMANENT RESIDENT CARD IS OPTIONAL

DOCUMENT EXPIRATION OUTSIDE THE COUNTRY

- **IF YOUR RESIDENT CARD HAS EXPIRED WHILE YOU WERE OUTSIDE OF THE COUNTRY, YOU WILL HAVE 55 DAYS AFTER THE EXPIRATION DATE TO RE-ENTER MEXICO**
- **THE RENEWAL APPLICATION MUST BE PRESENTED AT YOUR LOCAL OFFICE WITHIN THE NEXT 5 WORKING DAYS AFTER YOU ENTERED MEXICO**
- **IF THESE TIME FRAMES ARE EXCEEDED YOUR DOCUMENT WILL LOSE ALL VALIDITY**

REGULARIZATION

WHEN A FOREIGN CITIZEN IS FOUND IN AN IRREGULAR IMMIGRATION SITUATION

**THE FOLLOWING CASES HAVE THE RIGHT TO
REGULARIZE THEIR SITUATION:**

- **THOSE WHOSE DOCUMENT IS EXPIRED NO MORE THAN 60 DAYS**
- **THOSE WHO ARE KIN WITH A MEXICAN CITIZEN OR MEXICAN RESIDENT**
- **FOR HUMANITARIAN REASONS**

EXIT AND RETURN PERMIT

IF YOU NEED TO LEAVE THE COUNTRY WHILE YOUR APPLICATION IS IN PROCESS, YOU MUST SOLICIT FOR AN EXIT AND RETURN PERMIT AT THE SAME OFFICE WHERE YOUR PROCESS IS PENDING

- **THIS PERMIT DOES NOT APPLY TO THOSE UNDERGOING AN IMMIGRATION REGULARIZATION PROCESS**

- **VALID FOR 60 DAYS ONLY**

- **YOU MUST PRESENT THIS DOCUMENT TO THE IMMIGRATION OFFICER BOTH AT DEPARTURE AND RETURN. THE OFFICER WILL VERIFY THE DOCUMENT AND PUT A STAMP ON IT. YOUR LOCAL OFFICE WILL VERIFY BOTH EXIT AND ENTRY STAMPS.**

- **YOU MUST PRESENT THIS DOCUMENT WITHIN THE NEXT 10 CALENDAR DAYS OF YOUR RETURN TO MEXICO TO THE SAME OFFICE THAT ISSUED IT.**



RIGHT TO PRESERVE FAMILY UNIT

- **CHILDREN, ESPOUSE'S CHILDREN, CHILDREN OF PARTNERS LIVING IN COHABITATION (MINORS)**
- **ESPOUSE OR COHABITATION PARTNER (CONCUBINA)**
- **FATHER OR MOTHER**
- **SIBLINGS (ONLY MINORS)**
- **MOTHER OR FATHER OF A PERMANENT RESIDENT**



INFORMATION & REQUIREMENTS

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