Aliens with Visas that Allow them to Domicile in the United States

(Continuation of prior policy; effective now.)

If a person is eligible to domicile in the United States, he/she has the same rights and privileges for applying for Texas residency as do U.S. citizens or permanent residents. In the table that follows, a "Yes **" in the third column indicates a visa classification that is eligible to establish a domicile in the US. The institution can simply follow the basic residency rules that apply to U.S. citizens or permanent residents.

Visa Type	Appendix 2 Nonimmigrant (Temporary) Visa Categories	Eligible to Domicile in the United States?
A-1	Ambassadors, public ministers or career diplomats and their immediate family members	Yes
A-2	Other accredited officials or employees of foreign governments and their immediate family members	Yes
A-3	Personal attendants, servants or employees and their immediate family members of A-1 and A-2 visa holders	Yes **
B-1	Business visitors	No
B-2	Tourist visitors. Tourists from certain countries are permitted to come to the U. S. without B-2 visa under the visa waiver program	No
C-1	Foreign travelers in immediate and continuous transit through the United States	No
D-1	Crewmen who need to land temporarily in the United States and who will depart aboard the same ship or plane on which they arrived	No
E-1	Treaty traders	Yes **
E-2	Treaty investors	Yes **
F-1	Academic or language students	No
F-2	Immediate family members of F-1 visa holders	No
G-1	Designated principal resident representatives of foreign governments coming to the United States to work for an international organization, their staff members and immediate family members.	Yes
G-2	Other accredited representatives of foreign governments coming to the United States to work for an international organization and their immediate family members	Yes
G-3	Representatives of foreign governments, and their immediate family members who would ordinarily qualify for G-1 or G-2 visas except that their governments are not members of an international organization	Yes
G-4	Officers or employees of international organizations and their immediate family members	Yes
G-5	Attendants, servants and personal employees of G-1 through G-4 visa holders and their immediate family members.	Yes **

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H-1B	Persons working in specialty occupations requiring at least a bachelor's degree or its equivalent in on-the-job experience, and distinguished fashion models	Yes **
H-2A	Temporary agricultural workers coming to the United States to fill positions for which a temporary shortage of American workers has been recognized by the United States Department of Agriculture.	No
H-2B	Temporary workers of various kinds coming to the United States to perform temporary jobs for which there is a shortage of available qualified American workers	No
H-3	Temporary trainees	No
H-4	Immediate family member of H-1, H-2 or H-3 visa holders	H-4 dependents of H-1B Yes**; all other H-4 dependents, no
I	Bona fide representatives of the foreign press coming to the United States to work solely in that capacity and their immediate family members	Yes **
J-1	Exchange visitors coming to the U. S. to study, work or train as part of an exchange program officially recognized by the United States Information Agency.	No
J-2	Immediate family member of J-1 visa holders	No
K-1	Fiancé(e)s of U. S. citizens coming to the United States for the purpose of getting married.	Yes
K-2	Minor, unmarried children of K-1 visa holders	Yes
K-3	Spouse of a U.S. citizen	Yes**
K-4	Child of a U.S. citizen	Yes**
L-1 L1-a L1-b	Intracompany transferees who work in positions as managers, executives of persons with specialized knowledge	Yes **
L-2	Immediate family member of L-1 visa holders	Yes **
M-1	Vocational or other nonacademic students, other than language students	No
M-2	Immediate families of M-1 visa holders	No
N	Children of certain special immigrants	No
NATO 1,2,3,4,5	Associates coming to the United States under applicable provisions of the NATO Treaty and their immediate family members	Section 54.057 designates these individuals as residents for tuition purposes
NATO 6	Members of civilian components accompanying military forces on missions authorized under the NATO Treaty and their immediate family members	Yes **

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NATO 7	Attendants, servants or personal employees of NATO-1 through NATO-6 visa holders and their immediate family members.	Yes **
O-1	Persons of extraordinary ability in the sciences, arts, education, business or athletics	Yes **
O-2	Essential support staff of 0-1 visa holders	No
O-3	Immediate family members of 0-1 and O-2 visa holders	O-3 dependents of O-1 holders Yes; O-3 dependents of O-2 holders, No
P-1	Internationally recognized athletes and entertainers and their essential support staff	No
P-2	Entertainers coming to perform in the United States through a government-recognized exchange program.	No
P-3	Artists and entertainers coming to the United States in a group for the purpose of presenting culturally unique performances	No
P-4	Immediate family members of P-1, P-2 and P-3 visa holders.	No
Q-1	Exchange visitors coming to the United States to participate in international cultural-exchange programs.	No
Q-2	Immediate family members of Q-1 visa holders	No
R-1	Ministers and other workers of recognized religions	Yes **
R-2	Immediate family member of R-1 visa holders	Yes **
S-1	People coming to the United States to supply critical information to federal or state authorities where it has been determined that their presence in the United States is essential to the success of a criminal investigation	No
S-2	People coming to the United States to provide critical information to federal authorities or court, who will be in danger as a result of providing such information, and are eligible to receive a reward for the information	No
S-3	Immediate family members of S-1 or S-2 visa holders	No
T-1	Victims of international (human) trafficking	Yes**
T-2	Dependents of victims of international (human) trafficking	Yes**
TC	Professional under the Free Trade Agreement. Available only to Canadians under the Free Trade Agreement, prior to the passage of the North Atlantic Free Trade Agreemt.	No
TN	Professional under the North American Free Trade Agreement. Is available only to citizens of Mexico and Canada. Professional under the North American Free Trade Agreement. Is available only to citizens of Mexico and Canada. Under the North American Free Trade Agreement a citizen of a NAFTA county may work in a professional occupation in another NAFTA country.	No

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TD	Dependents of Professionals here under the North American Free Trade Agreement. Is available only to citizens of Mexico and Canada. Professional under the North American Free Trade Agreement. Is available only to citizens of Mexico and Canada. Under the North American Free Trade Agreement a citizen of a NAFTA county may work in a professional occupation in another NAFTA country.	No
V	Spouse or minor child of a legal permanent resident or US citizen whose application for permanent residence is part of the massive backlog of immigration work	Yes**