

Selective Service - Who Must Register

With only a few exceptions, the registration requirement applies to all male U.S. citizens and male aliens residing in the United States who are 18 through 25 years of age.

Category	YES	NO
All male U.S. citizens born after December 31, 1959, who are 18 but not yet 26 years old, except as noted below:	X	
Military-Related		
Members of the Armed Forces on active duty (active duty for training does not constitute "active duty" for registration purposes)		X*
Cadets and Midshipmen at Service Academies or Coast Guard Academy		X*
Cadets at the Merchant Marine Academy	X	
Students in Officer Procurement Programs at the Citadel, North Georgia College and State University, Norwich University, Virginia Military Institute, Texas A&M University, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University		X*
National Guardsmen and Reservists not on active duty	X	
Delayed Entry Program enlistees	X	
ROTC Students	X	
Separatees from Active Military Service, separated for any reason before age 26	X	
Men rejected for enlistment for any reason before age 26	X	
Civil Air Patrol members	X*	
Aliens**		
Lawful non-immigrants on visas (e.g., diplomatic and consular personnel and families, foreign students, tourists with unexpired Form I-94, or Border Crossing Document DSP-150)		X
Permanent resident aliens (I-551 Permanent Reside Card)	X	
Special agricultural workers	X	
Seasonal agricultural workers (H-2A Visa)		X
Refugee, parolee, and asylee aliens	X	
Undocumented (illegal) aliens	X	
Dual national U.S. citizens	X	
Confined		
Incarcerated, or hospitalized or institutionalized for medical reasons		X*
Handicapped physically or mentally		
Able to function in public with or without assistance	X	
Continually confined to a residence, hospital, or institution		X

*Must register within 30 days of release unless already age 26 or older.

NOTE: To be fully exempt you must have been on active duty or confined continuously from age 18 to 25.

**Residents of Puerto Rico, Guam, Virgin Islands, and Northern Mariana Islands are U.S. citizens. Citizens of American Samoa are nationals and must register when they are habitual residents in the United States. Habitual residence is presumed whenever a national or a citizen of the Republic of the Marshall Islands or the Federated States of Micronesia resides in the United States for more than one year in any status, except as a student or employee of the government of his homeland.

NOTE: Immigrants who did not enter the United States or maintained their lawful non-immigrant status by continually remaining on a valid visa until after they were 26 years old, were never required to register. Also, immigrants born before 1960, who did not enter the United States or maintained their lawful non-immigrant status by continually remaining on a valid visa until after March 29, 1975, were never required to register.