



HUMAN SERVICES  
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## General Information Memorandum

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### ISD-GI 19-31

**TO:** ISD Employees  
**FROM:** Karmela Martinez, Acting ISD Director  
**RE:** I-94 Program Change-Arrival/Departure Record  
**DATE:** May 14, 2019

The purpose of this GI is to inform field staff of changes to the way I-94 numbers are issued. The I-94 is an arrival/departure record that is issued by the United States Customs and Border Protection (CBP) to foreign visitors to the United States. The I-94 can be used to help determine program eligibility.

Currently, I-94 numbers are 11 digits long and only contain numbers. The 11 digits in an I-94 number are composed of the following elements:

- [9-digit sequence] + [2-digit series]

The two-digit series, from 01-99, is the group within which all possible combinations of numbers are used. Once all I-94 number combinations within a series are created, that series can no longer be used.

Beginning May 2019, to minimize program impact resulting from the depleting of numeric-only I-94 numbers and to create a long-term solution for the creation of new numbers, CBP is switching to alphanumeric I-94s.

I-94 numbers will remain at 11 characters but will follow the format of 9 digits followed by a two-character alphanumeric series, with a letter in the 10<sup>th</sup> position and a digit in the 11<sup>th</sup> position.

- [9-digit sequence] + [1 letter] + [1 digit]
- A sample alphanumeric I-94 would look like this: **000468151A1**

ASPEN was also updated to accommodate this change in ASPEN release notes 5.2.2 on April 29, 2019.

If you have any questions regarding this GI, please contact Patricia Lucero at 505-827-7780 or [PatriciaR.Lucero2@state.nm.us](mailto:PatriciaR.Lucero2@state.nm.us).

# Example of Numeric and Alphanumeric I-94 Numbers

**U.S. Customs and Border Protection**  
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OMB No. 1651-0111  
Expiration Date: 09/14/2015

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**Most Recent I-94**

Admission (I-94) Record Number: 54813013030  
Most Recent Date of Entry: 2015 January 05  
Class of Admission: F1  
Admit Until Date: D/S

Details provided on the I-94 information form:

Last-Surname: GLOBAL  
First (Given) Name: CITIZEN  
Birth Date: 1992 January 08  
Passport Number: AB002000  
Country of Issuance: Tanzania

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Effective April 29, 2013, DHS began automating the admission process. An alien required to be in possession of a preprinted Form I-94. A record of admission prints admission. See 2 CFR § 1.4(d).

If an employer, local, state or federal agency requests admission information, present your admission (I-94) number along with any additional required documents requested by that employer or agency.

Note: For security reasons, we recommend that you close your browser after you have finished retrieving your I-94 number.

[For inquiries or questions regarding your I-94, please click here.](#)  
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**Most Recent I-94**

Admission (I-94) Record Number : 000468151A1  
Most Recent Date of Entry: 2010 June 10  
Class of Admission : A3  
Admit Until Date : 07/22/2013

Details provided on the I-94 information form:

Last-Surname : LF  
First (Given) Name : 06