

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING FORM DS-157 FOR THE SIV PROGRAM

Do not leave any boxes blank (empty). All questions must contain an appropriate response or your application will be delayed. Please read and follow the below instructions carefully when completing the DS-157. If the form does not provide sufficient space for your response, you may use additional sheets of paper.

1. Enter your family name or surname as it appears in your passport, if any. Do not enter names that appear after d/o or s/o. If there is only one name, please enter that name here.
2. Enter your first name as it appears in your passport (if any); if there is only one name, enter FNU here
3. Enter your full name in native alphabet (Dari) as it appears in your passport.
4. Enter your clan or tribal name. If you do not have a clan or tribal name, write 'none.'
5. Enter your spouse's (husband / wife) full name. If you are unmarried, write 'N/A.'
6. Enter your father's full name as it appears in his passport or tazkira.
7. Enter your mother's full name as it appears in her passport or tazkira.
8. Enter the name, address and phone number of your U.S. contact person or organization in the following format: Sam Smith, 2100 Peach Street, Houston, TX 77003, phone (713) 555 1212. If you do not have a U.S. contact person or organization, write 'none.'
9. List all the countries you have visited during the past 10 years and the year of the visit. (e.g. China 2004, Italy 2007). If you have never traveled outside of Afghanistan, write 'none.'
10. List all the countries which have issued you a passport, including your current one. If you have never been issued a passport and do not hold a current passport, write 'none.'
11. Check the appropriate box.
12. List your two previous employers, not your current one. If you have had only one employer or no employer before your current job, you should explain that in the box. List your previous employers regardless of whether they have a connection to the United States. Please explain your job if you were self-employed. Please state very specifically your employer's name, location, and your job title.
13. List all professional, charitable, and social organizations in which you are or were a member. Do not write the names of employers. However, if one of your employers was also the Taliban government, at any level, write that here. If you have never been a member of an organization, write 'none.'
14. If your answer is 'yes', provide details of your specialized skill
15. This refers to any military service, including Northern Alliance, Taliban, or any other.

16. This refers to all armed conflicts in which you have been involved, regardless of when it occurred. If your answer is 'yes,' provide details.
17. List the names and addresses of all the educational institutions you attended after elementary school. Include the month and year you started and finished. If you did not attend any educational institution after elementary school, you should state that in this box.
18. Check the appropriate box.