NATIONAL IMMIGRATION AGENCY

Regulations Governing Foreign Students’ Residence Status
Outline

- What is ARC
- Information you must know
What is ARC

- Alien Resident Certificate (ARC)
- Identification card in Taiwan
- Basic personal information, personal picture, validity of ARC
Knowing Your ARC
Multiple Re-entry Permit

The holder of this certificate may have multiple entry into Taiwan and this certificate shall be renewed before expiration.
First-time applicant for ARC

- **Applicant**: degree students holding resident visa
- **Deadline**: within 15 days after arrival
- **Office in charge**: NIA local service center
- **Documentation**: application form, 1 photo**, passport, visa, admission letter, proof of registration (e.g. student ID card with school’s registration stamp)
- **Fee**: NTD1,000 per year
- **Process time**: 10 working days (pick up ARC with receipt)

**Photo**: the photo shall be taken within 1 year and with the same format as Taiwan National ID card.
Principles governing the issuance and validity of ARC

- Within 15 days after arrival, student holding resident visa shall apply for ARC with proof of registration.
Principles governing the issuance and validity of ARC

- First-time ARC applicant unable to complete the registration in school within 15 days after arrival.

  e.g. Mary, arriving at Taipei on 2012/08/15, studying her bachelor degree for four years

  @submit application WITHOUT proof of registration within 15 days after arrival
  *admission letter *fee: NTD1000
  *validity: from the arrival date to 2012/09/30
  (2012/08/15~2012/09/30)
Principles governing the issuance and validity of ARC

(-CONTINUED- e.g. Mary)

@ re-submit application WITH proof of registration before the expiration date (2012/09/30)
* proof of registration * fee: NTD1000
* validity: from 2012/09/30 to 2013/09/30

@ at the year of graduation, no fee required to extend his/her ARC if a student not going to request a residential period up to 09/30 of the year of his/her graduation.
* proof of registration * fee: 0 (prepaid)
* validity: from 2015/09/30 to 2016/08/15
ARC Extension

- Deadline: within 30 days before the expiration date of ARC
- Documentation: application form, 1 photo**, passport, proof of registration (e.g. student ID card with school’s registration stamp)
  * power of attorney and the attorney’s ID required if not submitting application in person*
- Fee: NTD1,000 per year
- Process time: 10 working days
  (pick up ARC with receipt)
Where to submit application

☐ NIA local service center

**Individual application: counters for foreign application.**

**Group application: a reserved counter for group application only**
(appointment by telephone in advance is required)

☐ In your school
(please contact NIA local service center for details by school)
A Replacement for a lost ARC

- Documentation:
  application form, passport, 1 photo**, proof of registration, declaration or proof of reporting a lost ARC to the police

- Fee: NTD500

- Process time: 10 working days
  (pick up ARC with receipt)
Reporting a lost passport

- Office in charge: NIA local service center

- Documentation: application form, 2 photos**, documents used as proof of personal identity

- Submitting the application in person

- Updating information after obtaining new passport or travel document
Laws governing foreigner’s visiting and residency

- Immigration act
- The enforcement rules of the immigration act
- Regulations governing visiting, residency and permanent residency of Aliens
Foreigners shall always carry their passports or ARCs.

【Article 22, immigration Act】
Reminder(2)

 Resident visa holder shall apply for an ARC within 15 days after arrival

  [Article 22, immigration act]

  Violator will be fined NTD2,000-NTD10,000

  [Subparagraph 2, article 85, immigration act]
Reminder(3)

The designated period for ARC extension is within 30 days before its expiration date.

ARC holder overstaying his/her residency period will be fined NTD2,000-NTD10,000.

【Paragraph 1 and 3, article 31, immigration act】
【Subparagraph 4, article 85, immigration act】
**Reminder(4)**

**Fines standard for overstay**

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Reminder(5)

With unchanged reason of stay from previous application, ARC holder overstaying his/her residency period less than 30 days can re-apply for residence after being fined

【Paragraph 3, article 31, immigration act】
Reminder(6)

ARC holder overstaying residence period for over 29 days is not allowed to re-apply for an ARC in Taiwan.

Pay fines, leave Taiwan, and apply for visa to re-enter.
Reminder(7)

Registering change of domicile or employer within 15 days.

【Paragraph 5 and 6, article 31, immigration act】
Violators will be fined NTD2,000-NTD10,000.

【Subparagraph 3, article 85, immigration act】

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Reminder(9)

NIA will cancel a student’s ARC if he/she drops out or graduates early, i.e. the student’s residential reason no longer valid.

Students shall return their ARCs and contact NIA local service center for the designated date of exiting Taiwan.

【Paragraph 4, article 31, immigration Act】
The end

Thanks for your attention
新生常見問題 FAQ

Visiting Visa 停留簽證
Resident Visa 居留簽證
我現在拿的是停留簽證 (Visitor Visa)，要怎麼換居留簽證 (Resident Visa)？

I’m currently holding Visitor Visa, how can I change it to Resident Visa?
簽證Visas

停留簽證→ 居留簽證→居留證

Visitor Visa→ Resident Visa→ ARC

1. 文件：申請表、照片、護照、錄取通知書或學生證
   Required Documents: Application Form, 2 Photos, passport, Admission Notice or Student ID Card

2. 申請單位：外交部領事事務局
   Application institution: Bureau of Consular Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
News!

移民署到臺大服務（9月6日）
Immigration Agency
Special Service at NTU (9/6)
When and Where

Date: 9/6
Time: 9am~noon; 1.30pm~3pm
Place: 4th Conference Room 第四會議室 (5F, 2nd administration building 第二行政大樓)

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Please pick up the instruction at the front after the orientation.