



Everything you need to know about the DS-2019 form!

- ✓ Each au pair receives an electronic DS-2019 form when they match with a host family. This is their certificate of eligibility to be on the Au Pair program from the Department of State.
- ✓ This form is emailed to the au pair within approximately 3 business days after matching. They will need this form printed and in hand at their visa appointment and throughout their program term.
- ✓ If an au pair has a trip planned to travel internationally, they must receive a travel validation signature on their DS-2019 form from the Stamford office. This signature is not formal permission to travel, it is to ensure good standing on the program. ***All au pairs traveling should do their research and confirm they are eligible to travel to their destination and have the necessary documentation to return to the US.**
 - » The request to receive a travel validation signature can be requested by email for an electronic signature or by mail. If requested by email, the au pair will receive the form back within 1-2 weeks. If requested by mail it must be sent to APIA at least 2-3 weeks prior to traveling please review this form and submit it with your DS2019 request: [Travel Validation Form](#)
- ✓ The DS-2019 form is still valid even if the host family information is not up to date. A new DS-2019 form should ONLY be requested if the DS-2019 is lost/damaged and/or the au pair NEEDS the address updated on the current DS-2019 for legal documentation.
 - » A request for a new DS-2019 would be made using the link below (please allow 1-3 weeks for processing):
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/DS2019request>