

ADDRESS DIRECTORY · DELAWARE

Official Offices in Delaware: USCIS, Courts and Passports 2026

There is no immigration court in the state and we publish no federal street address. In exchange, Smyrna has its own passport acceptance point.

SHORT ANSWER

This guide deliberately leaves out some addresses, and we say why. **In this round we could not find a USCIS field office in Delaware:** the agency's archived field office pages were walked through in full, 67 offices came out and Delaware is not among them. That is a strong finding but it is a crawl result, so we do not write "there is none," we write **we could not find one**. We also **publish no USCIS, ICE, CBP or Social Security street address**. The only accurate sentence is this: **the address you go to is the address on your appointment notice**, and in the agency's own words **field offices do not accept walk-in visitors**. The court side is clear: **there is no immigration court in Delaware**, and cases are normally heard in **Philadelphia**. The good news is on passports: **Smyrna has its own acceptance point**.

WHICH FEDERAL ADDRESSES ARE IN THIS GUIDE, AND WHICH ARE NOT

- **No USCIS field office or biometrics center address.** The regional field office page builds its address block with a script that runs in the browser, and in the archived copy that block appears empty, so there was no address there to read in the first place. Do not conflate two sentences: **"we do not publish an address" and "there is no office" are not the same thing**.
- **No Social Security address.** The nearest offices to Smyrna are in Dover and Wilmington, but we could not confirm their addresses from an official source this round and we do not print a federal address out of an old archive. Find out which office covers you by entering your ZIP code: ssa.gov/locator. The national line is **1-800-772-1213**; **ask for a Turkish interpreter** and say so at the start of the call.
- **No ICE or CBP address either.** Those agencies' pages were closed to automated access and the archive index went offline before the crawl finished. If you have a check-in obligation, **the address on your notice governs**; talk to your attorney before you go. The detention information line is **1-888-351-4024**.
- **We could not determine whether there is an application support center inside Delaware**, so we say neither that there is nor that there is not; **your I-797C notice tells you where your biometrics appointment is** and you do not choose that center. Likewise we could not verify whether an asylum office or a deferred inspection site covers the state.
- **Going to the wrong building in this work costs an appointment cycle**, which is why we do not print guesses.

USCIS: two sentences from the agency, and both help you

- **No walk-ins.** The agency's own wording: USCIS field offices do not accept walk-ins, and you must have an appointment to visit an office. The same page asks you to **confirm the address of the office you will visit from your interview or appointment notice.**
- **Your case can move to another office; your biometrics do not.** The agency writes that it has shifted some application work to other field offices to speed up processing, so you may receive an interview or evidence request notice from an office that has never handled your file, and it adds: **this change does not affect where you go for your biometrics appointment, we will still direct you to the nearest application support center.** So if you see an unexpected city on the notice, that is not an error.
- **The biometrics appointment happens at an application support center,** not at a field office, and the I-797C notice names the center.
- **Document services and emergencies** run through **an appointment made via the Contact Center** rather than by walking in; **1-800-375-5283. Appointments are free,** and intermediary sites that charge for one are a scam.
- For **processing times**, select the form, the category and the office holding your case at egov.uscis.gov/processing-times; the figures are updated monthly.
- **Who may do immigration work:** authority for a non-attorney to provide immigration services comes from the **Department of Justice's office of legal access programs.** So if the person offering you "immigration help" in Delaware is neither an attorney nor accredited by the Department of Justice, **they are not authorized to give legal advice.** Ask before you pay, and ask for the answer in writing.

Immigration court: none in the state, the nearest one is in another state

There is no immigration court in Delaware. Not one: the justice agency's own court status list contains no court with a Delaware address. Delaware cases are normally heard at the **Philadelphia Immigration Court.** But we write one distinction plainly: the absence of a court in the state is a firm finding, while **the sentence "Delaware cases are heard in Philadelphia" describes the normal situation, not a rule.** The agency assigns venue not by the person's state but by **where the charging document was filed.** So do not assume: **whichever court is named at the top of your hearing notice is the one that governs.**

COURT	ADDRESS	STATUS
Philadelphia Immigration Court	900 Market Street, Suite 504, Philadelphia, PA 19107	Open on the list; the court where Delaware cases are normally heard
Baltimore Immigration Court	31 Hopkins Plaza, Room 440, Baltimore, MD 21201	Open on the list; the other nearby court on the same list
Delaware	There is no immigration court in the state	No Delaware-address entry appears on the list

- **Internet-based hearings:** the agency publishes connection links and telephone access codes court by court and judge by judge on its own page. If your hearing will be held remotely, confirm the link there and on your notice.

- **Online status:** acis.eoir.justice.gov needs only your A number, or you can call **1-800-898-7180**. The official information is still the hearing notice.
- **Court status changes** and the agency keeps a status page it updates for openings and closures; check it before you set out on the day of a hearing.
- **Hearings are open to the public** and no advance notice is needed to observe; if you want to see the room before your first hearing, that is possible.
- **You will cross a state line.** On the day of the hearing you are driving to another state: plan the route, the parking and the documents in your bag the day before, and allow for morning traffic. **Missing a hearing can lead to an in-absentia removal order.**
- **On the I-94:** you can download the record of your latest entry at i94.cbp.dhs.gov. We **could not verify** whether one of the offices that corrects errors made at entry exists in Delaware, and we are not inventing an address; find the office that covers you from the customs agency's own list page and **call before you set out. Why it is urgent:** the term of the federally compliant Delaware card is set from your status document, so an error on the I-94 shows up directly on your card.

Delaware's September 2026 laws: the state frames this itself

Three laws are genuinely in force: they were **signed on September 3, 2026 and took effect on signature**, as chapters **470, 471 and 472** of volume 85 of the Laws of Delaware. A source note comes first: **all three were signed as amended by a house amendment and those amendment texts were not read**, so this guide **cites the chapter numbers and does not quote statutory language**. What they do is **set limits on Delaware's own agencies**, not bind federal officers. And we do not need to build the frame ourselves: the state's office of new Americans asks on [its own immigrant rights page](#) whether the law prohibits all contact with federal law enforcement and answers **"No, it does not"**, adding that Delaware law enforcement must comply with valid court orders and warrants and that federal obligations on sharing criminal history and record information continue. **Nowhere in this section is there a promise of protection.**

CHAPTER	SUBJECT
Volume 85, chapter 470	Holding a person or prolonging detention on the basis of an immigration detainer or an administrative immigration warrant is prohibited ; limits on status inquiries and on assisting federal enforcement; four named exceptions; reporting; authority for the Attorney General to investigate and sue . The law defines an administrative warrant as a document not approved or ordered by a judge , so checking whether the paper shown at your door carries a judge's signature is the most practical thing this law gives you
Volume 85, chapter 471	In four kinds of places, law enforcement assistance with civil immigration enforcement is prohibited : places serving children, institutions of higher education, places of worship and health care facilities. An exception where an emergency exists; written notice within 48 hours and an aggregate report at least every six months. The definition of health care facility is very broad and reaches single-physician practices
Volume 85, chapter 472	Civil arrest is prohibited at courthouses and at places where the industrial accident board holds hearings , including adjoining entrances, roads, sidewalks, parking areas and grounds, and the protection also covers someone attending a judicial proceeding as an observer. But there are two exceptions and the second is the one readers miss: arrests based on a judicial warrant, and an officer giving the judge written advance notice

A separate law	Prohibits state and local law enforcement agencies from entering into 287(g) agreements , that is agreements to exercise delegated federal civil immigration authority under the immigration law. We read this on the state office of new Americans' own page. It is separate from and earlier than the three laws; we give no effective date and no chapter number , because we could not verify them
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AND IN THE SAME BREATH: WHAT THESE LAWS DO NOT DO

- **They do not stop ICE.** All three bind Delaware state and local agencies and officers. **Federal officers are not regulated by these laws and can operate in Delaware.**
- **Chapter 470 has four named exceptions**, and if one of these is in your history you are outside the rule: **a conviction for a violent felony, being a registered sex offender, three or more convictions for driving under the influence, and being a domestic violence offender.**
- **Chapter 471 does not close a school, a place of worship, a clinic or a university to federal enforcement.** What it does is prohibit **Delaware law enforcement** from **directly participating** there, only in **civil** enforcement, and only where no emergency exists. The law expressly preserves assistance with **federal criminal** activity under a valid court order.
- **Chapter 472 does not make a courthouse an exempt space.** A judicial warrant overrides it, and an officer who gives the judge written advance notice may make a civil arrest there.
- **None of the three changes anyone's immigration status, confers any right, or provides anyone a defense in immigration court.**
- **And the immigration court is in Philadelphia, that is, in Pennsylvania, outside the scope of all three.** The moment you cross the state line on the day of your hearing, these laws are behind you.
- **Which is exactly why: do not use this to decide where to live.**

- **A provision that reaches a Turkish reader directly:** chapter 470 permits limited questions about nationality for the purpose of **advising a person of the right to communicate with consular officials or facilitating that communication**, and ties it to the consular relations convention. So if you are detained, **asking that the consulate be notified** lines up with a channel the law itself recognizes.
- **Among the things that cannot be done without a judicial order:** supporting immigration enforcement operations; giving an immigration officer access to a detained person, even by telephone; transferring a person to immigration custody; providing nonpublic release and contact information; and permitting an interview **unless the person signs a written consent form. Do not sign that form without talking to your attorney.**
- **The list of covered agencies is closed and named**, and every municipal police department in the state is on it, so **Smyrna's own police department is inside these laws too.** The limit goes right beside it: these laws bind Delaware officers, not federal officers.
- **We looked in the other direction too:** searching for a Delaware law that requires or expands cooperation with federal immigration enforcement, we **found nothing** in force as of October 8, 2026. But the search was confined to the September 2026 package, so that means **we could not find one**, not that there is none. Likewise **we could not check whether any Delaware agency currently holds an active 287(g) agreement**; ask the county sheriff's office and get the answer in writing.
- **The state has an office of new Americans, but it is not a law firm.** It is a permanent state office, phone **302-577-8767**, email onainfo@delaware.gov, and its mandate is policy coordination, community

partnerships, access to services, workforce development, language access and civic engagement. We say it in the same sentence: **it is not a legal services provider** and it represents no one in immigration court. Its list of councils contains **no council for the Turkish community**, and we **could not find** a state-funded immigration legal defense fund.

A U.S. passport: Smyrna has its own acceptance point

If you have become a citizen, a first U.S. passport is obtained in person on Form DS-11, and the good news for a Smyrna resident is this: **the town's own post office is a passport acceptance point**, so you do not need to leave town for a routine application. Delaware has **16 acceptance points** in all; fifteen are post offices and one is a library. The bad news: **there is no passport agency in Delaware**. The nearest is in Philadelphia, and only for travelers leaving the country within **14 calendar days**, or, if a foreign visa is required, with the appointment within **28 calendar days** of travel; the building is the Robert N.C. Nix Federal Building, Suite 100, Philadelphia, PA 19107, weekdays **8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.** and **by appointment only**. We read this from **an archive record dated May 20, 2026**; confirm the address from your appointment confirmation before you travel.

ACCEPTANCE POINT	ADDRESS	PHONE	PUBLISHED HOURS
Smyrna post office	13 South Market Street, Smyrna, DE 19977	302-653-2211	Weekdays 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., closed 1:00 to 2:30 p.m.
Dover post office	445 Bank Lane, Dover, DE 19904	302-734-5822	Weekdays 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.; Saturday 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.
Dover public library	35 Loockerman Plaza, Dover, DE 19901	302-674-7554	Monday to Wednesday 2:30 to 5:30 p.m.; Friday 10:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.; Saturday 1:00 to 4:00 p.m., plus alternating weekend hours
Milford main post office	110 Causey Avenue, Milford, DE 19963	302-422-5618	Weekdays 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
Middletown post office	298 East Main Street, Middletown, DE 19709	302-464-3271	Weekdays 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.; Saturday 8:30 to 11:00 a.m.
Greenville branch	3801 Kennett Pike, Suite A101, Wilmington, DE 19807	302-656-2579	Weekdays 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., closed 12:30 to 1:30 p.m.
Talleyville post office store	3911 Concord Pike, Wilmington, DE 19803	302-478-5753	Weekdays 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.; Saturday 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
Post office and distribution center	147 Quigley Blvd., New Castle, DE 19720	302-323-2260	Weekdays 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.; Saturday 9:00 a.m. to noon
Newark post office	401 Ogletown Road, Newark, DE 19711	Not printed	Weekdays 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.; Saturday 9:00 a.m. to noon
Hockessin post office	651 Valley Rd, Hockessin, DE 19707	302-239-4240	Weekdays 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.; Saturday 9:00 a.m. to noon

- **We leave out two phone numbers and we say why.** In the official data file the Newark point's number appears with **eleven digits**, so there is an error at the source; and the Rodney Square point's number sits

in the Wilmington record with **another city's area code**. Rather than print a wrong number, we tell you to book through tools.usps.com/rcas.htm.

- **Which transactions must be in person:** adults applying for the first time, children under 16, anyone whose passport was lost, stolen or damaged, and anyone whose passport was issued before they turned 16 or is more than 15 years old. **Renewal is done by mail**, with no acceptance point needed.
- **Fees:** an adult passport book is **\$130**, a passport card **\$30**, book and card together **\$160**; for children under 16 a book is **\$100** and a card **\$15**. The acceptance fee is a separate **\$35**, and expedited service adds **\$60**. **You make two separate payments**; ask which payment methods are accepted before you go, because some counters do not take cards.
- **On fraud, in the Department's own words:** there is no charge for an appointment, and if you are asked to pay for one **you should consider that request a scam**. The Department also writes that it has no affiliation with third-party appointment services and may not honor appointments obtained that way. That is exactly what needs to be said about the paid appointment services circulating in Turkish-language groups.
- **Two errands in one trip:** at the Dover library the passport desk and the children's programs are in the same building, and the desk has alternating weekend hours. Filing the application on a Saturday morning and leaving the children at a program in the same building is genuinely possible.
- **One distinction:** this section is about a **U.S.** passport. **A Turkish passport is not renewed at a post office**; that work runs through the Consulate General in New York.

VOTER REGISTRATION AND JURY DUTY: ONE IS CERTAIN, ON THE OTHER WE SAY WHAT WE DO NOT KNOW

- **On voter registration the rule is clear:** registering and voting belong to U.S. citizens only, and **green card holders cannot register**. Registering or voting without being a citizen is a direct problem in front of the officer assessing eligibility and good moral character; the [uscis.gov policy manual](#) treats the subject in its own chapter.
- **Read the form at the counter.** If a license, ID card or public service application has a voter registration section, signing that section counts in most states as **a sworn statement that you are a citizen**. **In Delaware this warning carries extra weight:** the DMV writes on its own page that making a false statement on a signed application is perjury, can lead to a fine and denial of service, and that a license may be suspended at any time once false information is found. So a box signed in haste at a counter **comes back in two different places**.
- **Do not fill out voter registration forms handed to you door to door or at events**, even if a campaign worker tells you it will not be a problem.
- **On jury duty we say what we do not know:** we **could not verify this round** which records Delaware's jury master list is built from, that is, whether license records feed the list and whether the list is filtered for citizenship at the source. So we say neither "you will not be summoned" nor "you will be."
- **What to do if a summons arrives:** do not ignore it and do not throw it away. Call **the jury office of the court named at the top of the letter** as soon as possible, or respond online as the letter instructs, and state that you do not meet the qualifications. Use **the number on your letter**, not a general one. **A summons is not an accusation**, but it is also not something to leave unanswered.
- **One advantage:** the ban on civil arrest at a courthouse also counts someone attending a judicial proceeding **as an observer**, so going to the courthouse to answer a jury summons may be one of the situations chapter 472 covers. The limit sits right beside it: **the ban does not bind federal officers** and the written advance notice exception stands.
- If you were registered to vote somewhere by mistake, talk to an immigration attorney before answering a citizenship question on any official form. It is a short and inexpensive question, but a wrong answer is expensive.



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