

CHECKLIST · JACKSONVILLE

Moving to Jacksonville, FL Checklist: The First 90 Days

What newcomers should do, in order, with deadlines and where to do it. Print it and check items off.

SHORT ANSWER

If you are subject to the address-reporting requirement, report your new address to USCIS within 10 days. In the first week, open electric and water service with JEA (an SSN is not required; two IDs work instead), note 630-CITY, and enroll your children with Duval County Public Schools. You have 30 days for a Florida driver's license, and 10 days for vehicle registration once you start a job or enroll a child in school. If you own your home, the homestead exemption deadline is March 1, and hurricane season means checking your zone on JaxReady.

First 10 days

TASK	WHERE / HOW
☐ Report your address to USCIS (AR-11)	As a general rule, required for most noncitizens, including green card holders; A and G visa holders and Visa Waiver visitors are exempt. uscis.gov/addresschange
☐ In immigration court? File EOIR-33	Within 5 days: respondentaccess.eoir.justice.gov
☐ ICE check-in obligations?	Update ICE too at portal.ice.gov
☐ Change your address with USPS	Separate from USCIS; one does not update the other.
☐ Started a job or enrolled a child in school?	Your 10-day window for vehicle registration has started, see below.

First week

TASK	WHERE / HOW
☐ Electric, water and sewer (JEA)	City-owned JEA provides all three. An SSN is not required. Without one, bring two IDs from JEA's list to a JEA Customer Business Center in person. A foreign passport with an I-94 counts as one item, so you need a second one, such as a green card or a Florida driver's license. JEA's prepaid MyWay plan needs no deposit.

TASK	WHERE / HOW
☐ Trash, recycling and general city issues	630-CITY, (904) 630-2489, or MyJax (myjax.custhelp.com).
☐ School enrollment	Parent Resource Center, 4037 Boulevard Center Dr., (904) 390-2082, or apply online at duvalschools.org .
☐ Library card	Free with proof of Duval County residence and one ID (a green card counts).

Within 30 days

TASK	WHERE / HOW
☐ Florida driver's license	Within 30 days of establishing residency. Exams are given in English only. flhsmv.gov/new-resident

Within 10 days (from starting a job or enrolling in school)

TASK	WHERE / HOW
☐ Vehicle registration, title and Florida insurance	Minimum \$10,000 PIP plus \$10,000 PDL. At a Duval Tax Collector branch; a VIN verification may be required.
☐ SunPass account (if you will use toll roads)	SunPass Mini \$4.99 or PRO \$14.95, at SunPass.com .

Within 90 days and beyond

TASK	WHERE / HOW
☐ Homestead exemption, if you own your home	Deadline every year is March 1; apply through the Duval County Property Appraiser.
☐ Hurricane preparedness	Find your evacuation zone (A-F) at JaxReady.com or the JaxReady app.
☐ Turkish citizens: consulate services	Turkish Consulate General in Miami, appointments at konsolosluk.gov.tr

IF YOU ARE NOT A U.S. CITIZEN

- Never check "U.S. citizen" on any form and never register to vote; only U.S. citizens may vote in Florida.
- Talk to an immigration attorney before applying for SNAP, Florida KidCare or any public benefit: a new public charge rule took effect on September 18, 2026.
- Check your I-94 at i94.cbp.dhs.gov.
- With a green card application pending, do not travel abroad without advance parole.



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