

ADDITIONAL REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION WHEN SUBMITTING THIS APPLICATION

PARENTS-IN-LAW

When filling out the above form, please include the following required documentation as required by regulations. Failure to do so will result in a rejected application and a delayed result of the approval/ denial process. **Note:** Only copies of the below documentation need to be submitted.

- **Spouse Birth Certificate: NOTE: This is required with application submission for Secondary Dependency (SDC) through DFAS.** Spouse birth certificate showing parent(s) names. See below on foreign documentation: (ii) Foreign documentation. Additional requirements are applied toward the verification of foreign eligibility documentation submitted to support enrollment of a dependent, including:(A) A full English language translation, which the translator has certified as complete and accurate, and the translator's certification of competency to translate from the foreign language into English, in accordance with 8 CFR 103.2(b)(3). Translation must be provided by a translator other than the individual presenting the document. (B) A written Judge Advocate General or local SJA opinion confirming use of the eligibility documentation, if the uniformed service member is stationed overseas. (C) Documentation that attests to the genuineness of the signature and seal, or the position of the foreign official who executed, issued, or certified the foreign documentation being presented to substantiate the dependency relationship to the sponsor.

- **Service Member's Marriage Certificate:** Service member's marriage certificate with names. See below foreign documentation: (ii) Foreign documentation. Additional requirements are applied toward the verification of foreign eligibility documentation submitted to support enrollment of a dependent, including: (A) A full English language translation, which the translator has certified as complete and accurate, and the translator's certification of competency to translate from the foreign language into English, in accordance with 8 CFR 103.2(b)(3). Translation must be provided by a translator other than the individual presenting the document. (B) A written Judge Advocate General or local SJA opinion confirming use of the eligibility documentation, if the uniformed service member is stationed overseas. (C) Documentation that attests to the genuineness of the signature and seal, or the position of the foreign official who executed, issued, or certified the foreign documentation being presented to substantiate the dependency relationship to the sponsor.

- **Proof of Support: Note: This is required each time you need to apply for Secondary Dependency through DFAS.** This only applies if the dependent does **NOT** reside in the same household as the service member. If the dependent resides with service member, then you can skip this documentation. If they do not live with you, see the following:

If the claimed dependent **DOES NOT** reside in your household, one or more of the following are required as proof of support:

- AD (discretionary) allotment for the claimed dependent or claimed dependent's court-appointed custodian. A copy of your current Leave and Earnings Statement (LES) includes this information.
 - Canceled checks (front & back) to the claimed dependent or claimed dependent's court-appointed custodian.
 - Money order receipts to the claimed dependent or claimed dependent's court-appointed custodian.
 - Electronic transfers made out to claimed dependent or claimed dependent's court-appointed custodian.
 - Copies of bills paid on behalf of the dependent may also be used along with proof of payment.
 - If your dependent does not reside with you but lives in a home owned/rented by you, a copy of mortgage statement or rental agreement may also be used.
 - **Note:** Joint checking accounts, cash contributions, or purchase receipts are **NOT** acceptable forms of proof of support.
- **Verification of Income: Note: This is required each time you need to apply for Secondary Dependency (SDC) through DFAS.**
The service member must provide any and all proof of income. This includes: Pay stubs if working, state or federal aid (with documentation of the amount) and if dependent receives social security payments (Aged 60 years or older), a letter from social security administration no older than 90 days stating whether or not they are receiving benefits is required. If submitting a second application within 90 days of a disapproval determination, proof of income is not necessary if documentation was submitted with the initial application.

Highlighted Information:

- **Help with completing DD Form 137 series (3, 5, 6 or 7):**
 - **Original documents are not required**; legible copies are sufficient.
 - **Only one form** is required when applying for both Basic Allowance for Housing (BAH) and Uniformed Services Identification and Privileges Card (USIP/ID) card entitlements at the same time.

- **Include all supporting documents** listed under the BAH section and USIP/ID card section with the form.
- **All forms must be filled out completely**; if a block does not apply, put “N/A” – failure to do so will result in the application being returned without action.
- **Mark “X”** for benefits you are claiming – BAH, USIP card or travel.
- **Mark “X”** (Yes or No) if **first application** – If no, give date of last application (this can be estimated if date is unknown).
- **Service Member’s address** – where you live. Also, provide a mailing address if different.
- **Phone** – identify as commercial or DSN.
- **Email address**, if available.
- **Claimed dependent’s name and address of employer** – Answer completely.
- **Claimed parent and his/her spouse live apart** – Provide complete reason and documentation that parent’s spouse does not support your claimed parent.
- **List both the name and address of** the owner of the dwelling where the claimed dependent resides.
- **Persons are living where claimed dependent lives** – List all residing in that household including the claimed dependent.
- **Household expenses** – All expenses for the entire household is a requirement for the claimed dependents’ residence, not just the claimed dependent’s share.
- **Personal expenses** – List all expenses for the claimed dependent only, regardless of who pays for them. (See expenses breakdown for information specific to each expense type.)
- **Income** – List all income and monetary support received by dependent from any source other than from yourself.
- **Remarks** – identify the block number from the form the comment relate to.
- **Signatures/Notaries** – make sure all signatures are completed. All forms with notary blocks **must** be notarized; failure to have the documents notarized will result in the return of the application without action. The notary signature relates to the signature of the dependent or guardian.

Avoid common mistakes

- **Illegible or incomplete application package**
 - Type or print, legibly, on all forms.
 - Ensure you read the printed instructions carefully and completely.
 - All blocks on the various forms must be completed or marked “N/A” to ensure nothing is missed.
- **Missing forms/documentation**

- **Proof of member's support.** If dependent does not reside with the member, proof of support is required. A dependent support allotment, canceled checks, money order receipts, electronic transfer receipts are acceptable proofs of support.
- **Unacceptable documents:** For of support; ATM withdrawal receipts, bank statements showing withdrawals, bank statements showing a joint account between Soldier and dependent.
- **Relationship documents** – The complete chain to prove relationship to the member (e.g., marriage certificate, birth certificate, etc.). Example for Parent in law: Member would submit in Marriage certificate, then the birth certificate of spouse.
- **Medical statement** (incapacitated child, DD Form 137-5) must be signed by a licensed medical doctor. Not acceptable - psychologist, nurse, nurse practitioner, medical assistant, social worker, etc.
- **Guardianship** document (ward of the court) – Must be a court-ordered document in the US or US possessions only stating that the custody/guardianship. The Ward must live in the member's household unless there are exigencies of service.

ALL DOCUMENTATION SUBMISSIONS:

All packages can be submitted only **two** ways. **Note: No fax or email is accepted.**

1. Online submission through the www.dfas.mil claims module.
(Direct link to make a ticket is:
<https://corpweb1.dfas.mil/askDFAS/custMain.action?mid=5340>.
This will require documents to be scanned onto the computer and then uploaded to the ticket online. After a ticket is created, you will be emailed your ticket number for reference and updates on your application.
2. By Mail: All packages maybe sent via mail to the address below:
“Attention JMTCB DFAS INDIANAPOLIS
8899 E 56th Street Indianapolis, IN 46249.”