



U.S. Citizenship  
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Services



### **FORM I-94 MISPRINTED WITH ONLY 10 DIGITS**

U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) has informed E-Verify that approximately 5 million 10-digit Forms I-94, Arrival-Departure Record, were printed in error and may have been distributed nation-wide in the first six months of 2008. The misprinted Forms I-94 have a 10-digit admission number instead of the standard 11-digit admission number. On July 2, 2008, CBP completed the distribution of replacement 11-digit Forms I-94 to its field offices. CBP field offices were instructed to destroy all 10-digit Forms I-94.

An employer presented with a misprinted Form I-94 should not enter a 10-digit number into an E-Verify query. The employer should refer his or her employee to any CBP air, sea, or land port of entry or deferred Inspection office for issuance of an 11-digit Form I-94. The employee must bring his or her current 10-digit Form I-94 and passport with them to the port of entry or deferred Inspection office. In most cases, a new 11-digit Form I-94 will be issued on the same day.

The employer should allow the employee seven (7) business days to obtain a corrected Form I-94. Once the employee presents the corrected Form I-94, the employer should initiate an E-Verify query after five (5) business days. This will allow DHS enough time to make changes to its databases based on the new I-94 number. Further, it is very important that an employer allows him or her employee to continue working while the discrepancy is being resolved.