

Travel Validation Request Form (For Au Pairs Traveling Outside the U.S.)

If you are planning international travel during your program, you must request a **Travel Validation Signature** on your DS-2019 form.

 **This signature confirms you are in good standing with the program, but it is *not permission* to travel.** Re-entry to the U.S. is always at the discretion of U.S. border officers.

Before You Request:

- Do **not** plan to travel outside the U.S. during your **Travel Month**.
 - **Do not travel** within **30 days of your J-1 visa expiration** – re-entry may be denied.
 - If your **J-1 visa is expired**, check the **Automatic Revalidation** document.
 - **You do not need to bring this form with you** while traveling – it's only for requesting a travel signature with APIA.
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How to Request a Travel Signature

Option 1: By Email (Recommended)

- Email a **PDF** copy (no photos or JPEGs) of this completed form and your **DS-2019 form** to:

 **travelvalidation@aifs.com**

 Your signed DS-2019 will be returned by email once processed, this can take 2-3 weeks.

Option 2: By Mail

- Mail this **original form** and your **DS-2019** (no photocopies!) to:

Au Pair in America

Attn: Compliance Department

1 High Ridge Park

Stamford, CT 06905

 Include:

- A **self-addressed, stamped envelope** so we can return your DS-2019 by mail
 - Allow **2–3 weeks** before your travel date for processing
 - You'll also receive the signed form by email
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Travel Information (to be completed by the au pair):

Full Name: _____

Au Pair in America ID #: _____

Phone Number: (____) _____

I will be traveling to (country): _____

Date I will leave the U.S.: _____

Date I will return to the U.S.: _____

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Reminders:

- Keep your **passport** and **DS-2019 in a safe place** while traveling (not on you all the time).
- Do **not** use your passport as ID unless you have no other ID.
 - If you have a **state driver's license**, use that instead.
- Leave a **copy** of your passport and DS-2019 with your **host family** before you leave.

Reminder: U.S. border officers make the final decision if you can re-enter the country. Au Pair in America is not responsible for any additional costs associated with delayed travel or accommodations needed should your travel be interrupted or delayed.