TEMPORARY PROTECTED STATUS (TPS) - SOMALIA



ARE YOU FROM SOMALIA?

If you are from Somalia or lived in Somalia you might qualify for Temporary Protected Status (TPS). If you already have TPS click <u>here</u> for more information.

WHAT IS TEMPORARY PROTECTED STATUS (TPS):

Temporary Protected Status (TPS) is for people who left their home countries because of conflict or natural disasters. The U.S government decides which countries are on the TPS list.

A person with TPS:

- is protected from deportation,
- can work legally in the United States, and
- may travel with permission.

TPS for people from Somalia ends on March 17, 2023. TPS can be extended. The U.S. government announces extensions and when to sign up again ("re-register").

DO YOU QUALIFY FOR TPS? YOU MAY QUALIFY FOR TPS IF:

- You are from Somalia or you lived in Somalia;
- You came to the U.S. by July 19, 2021; and
- You apply for TPS by March 17, 2023 (current Somali TPS holders should re-register by September 20, 2021)

NOTE: Some trips outside the U.S., crimes, or other problems can disqualify you from TPS.

MORE INFORMATION:

- 1. Get legal help to find out if you qualify: <u>readytostay.org/find-legal-help/</u>
- 2. Learn how to get good legal help and avoid fraud here
- 3. Learn more about TPS for Burma on the government website (USCIS)