

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP JACL
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ALIEN REGISTRATION

1. All issei aliens, 14 years of age or over, fall into the blanket classification of enemy nationals regardless of the length of residence here in the United States, and consequently must re-register next week as required by the Presidential proclamation of January 14, 1942.

2. Registration will be conducted at all first and second class post-office where Japanese aliens may apply for certificate of identifications, between February 2, and February 7, 1942, inclusive. JACL committee will assist those residing in Washington Township at Niles on February 3 and 4, and also on the evening of February 4 for those who cannot get away during the day. Those residing in Pleasanton district will be taken care of at Pleasanton on February (). Time schedules will be arranged through the Welfare Committee.

Alien nationals must bring their present alien registration cards and provide three photographs of themselves and answer a number of questions concerning their current activities. The photograph should be of passport size, not larger than 2 inches by 2 inches. The photo of the local residents taken through the arrangement of the JACL will be ready by the registration time. Failure to comply with the new regulations, may be punished by severe penalties, including possible internment of the enemy alien for the duration of war.

INSTRUCTIONS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

ITEM 1. Name:- Write or print your present legal name.

ITEM 2 Registered name:- This refers to the name (not aliases) under which you registered in accordance with the Alien Registration act. If your present legal name is the same, write, "Same." If different give the name under which you registered and explain the reason for the difference, such as marriage, divorce, adoption, court proceedings, etc.

ITEM 3 Present residence:- (a) Give the location of your present residence, that is, your usual dwelling place. If you live in an apartment house or tenement, give the number. (b) Give your post-office address. If same as 3 (a), write "same." (c) Give the location of other places at which you resided since January 1, 1941, and indicate after each the length of time, such as (3) months.

ITEM 4 Employment:- The names of employers you have had since January 1, 1941 must be stated; give in each case the address of the employer, the approximate dates of employment, and the capacity in which you were employed. The last-named employer must, of course be your present employer, and the last entry under "Dates" must be "to date." If unemployed at present, so state. If you operated your own shop, business, or profession at any time since January 1, 1941, write the word "self", your business address, the period covered, and the business in which you were or are engaged.

ITEM 5 Birth and citizenship:- Give your birth date in full. (b) Give the country of which you are a citizen or subject. If you have lost all foreign citizenship, write "None"--last a citizen of..... and name the country of which you were last a citizen or subject. If you wish to give any further explanations of your citizenship or subject status, write "See answer 15" and explain under item 15.

ITEM 6 Relatives in the United States:- Give the names, state the relationship, and give the addresses only of living parents, brothers, or sisters, husband, or wife, or children in the United States.

ITEM 7 Answer the question "Yes" or "No" as to whether you have any children actually serving in the military, naval, or other services in the armed forces of the United States, including the auxiliary arms of service. If the answer is "Yes" give the names and branch of service. It is not necessary to give addresses.

ITEM 8 Relatives outside of the United States:- (a) give the names state the relationship, and give the last known addresses, only of living parents, brothers, or sisters, husband or wife, or children outside the United States. (b) If any of the relatives mentioned in (a) above are, or when last known to applicant were, serving in the armed forces of a foreign nation, state this fact in the space reserved for "Address"-as "Serving in (army, navy, air corps, etc.) of, " naming the country.

ITEM 9 United States citizenship:- (a) If you have applied for first citizenship papers or received them or petitioned for naturalization since August 27, 1940, write "Yes" and state which and when and where. Otherwise, write "No". (b) Answer "Yes" or "No" whether you have ever been refused or denied naturalization in the United States. If "yes" state the courts, place and reasons or causes given, and whether said reasons or causes have since been removed.

ITEM 10. Foreign Naturalization:- If you have ever taken any steps toward naturalization in a country other than the United States, answer "yes" and state the time and place and country. Otherwise answer "No."

ITEM 11. Oath of allegiance:- If you, at any time, have ever taken an oath of allegiance to any country, state, or nation other than the United States, write "yes" and state the time, place and country. Otherwise, write "No."

ITEM 12. Presidential Proclamation and Regulations:- A summary of the provisions of Presidential proclamation and regulations concerning the conduct of aliens of enemy nationalities is available at post offices and may be obtained there. You should read such summary or have it read to you, and then state whether you have complied. If you have been granted any kind of exemption, you should so note.

ITEM 13 Selective service:- If you were registered for selective service, write, "yes" and state where and your number. Otherwise write "no."

ITEM 14 Organization affiliations:- You must state the clubs, organization or societies of which you have been a member or with which you have been affiliated at any time during the past 5 years, either in the United States or abroad. If any listed membership or affiliation has ceased, state the approximate date. If you spent any part of said 5 year period outside the United States, include a statement of your foreign political party or national organization affiliation during such time.

ITEM 15 Additional information:- You are not obligated to write in any information under this item, and no penalty or prejudice attaches to your failure to do so. This item merely give you an opportunity to make any voluntary, additional statement concerning yourself. These are suggested topics: (a) How you acquired your present foreign citizenship status (by birth, naturalization, decree, etc.); (b) brief history of your citizenship, whether you lost it by expatriation or decree; (c) whether you left your country of origin because of racial, religious, or political persecution or restriction, and, if so, when and under what circumstances; (d) names and addresses of not more than two persons, now living in the United States, who knew you in your country of origin or who know you here and will vouch for your loyalty. If you give any such names, however, you must accompany them with a written statement, under oath, substantially as follows: "I have neither given anything of value nor obligated myself in any manner whatsoever to obtain permission to use the above names, "this must be so stated and must be the fact. If any one attempts to influence you in any manner with respect to the use of his name as a reference, it should be reported to the identification official.

MOTOR VEHICLE STICKERS

All car owners who have not yet obtained their \$2.09 Federal Motor Vehicle tax stamp are urged to do so before Feb. 1. The stamps are sold at your local postoffice.