APPLYING FOR A
SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER

WEB ADDRESS: www.socialsecurity.gov

OFFICE ADDRESS: 621 NW 53rd street
Suite 400
Boca Raton, FL 33487

OFFICE HOURS: Mon., Tues., Thurs., & Fri
9:00 am – 3:00pm
Wed. 9:00 am – 12:00 noon
Closed on weekends and
Federal Holidays.

PHONE NUMBER: 1-800-772-1213

WHEN TO APPLY: Wait at least 10 days after
arriving in the U.S. to apply.

Social Security Number (SSN) for a Noncitizen Adult
In general, only noncitizens who have permission to work from the Department of
Homeland Security (DHS) can apply for a SSN.
To apply:
• Complete an Application For A Social Security Card (Form SS-5).
• Provide the SS Administration with documents proving immigration status,
work eligibility, age, and identity (see list below).
• Bring the completed application and original documents to the SS
Administration. Anyone age 12 or older requesting an original SSN must
appear for an interview at the SS Administration.

Items to bring to the SS Administration - All documents must be originals
1. Passport
   F-1 status - I-20, Certificate of Eligibility for Nonimmigrant Student Status
   H-1B status - I-797 approval notice
4. Letter issued by the International Office to the SS Administration
5. TSRI offer letter
If you do not have permission to work
Lawfully admitted noncitizens can obtain services without a SSN. You do not need a number to conduct business with a bank, register for school, apply for educational tests, and/or obtain private health insurance. You cannot get a SSN for the sole purpose of obtaining a driver's license.

Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN)
If you need a number for tax purposes and you are not authorized to work in the United States, you can apply for an Individual Taxpayer Identification Number from the Internal Revenue Service (IRS). Visit IRS in person, at http://www.irs.gov/, or call 1-800-TAXFORM (1-800-829-3676), and request Form W-7, Application for an Individual Taxpayer Identification Number.

Processing Times
Your SS card will be mailed to you in about 2 weeks after you apply. Please be sure the address on the application form is correct.

Keep your SS card in a safe place.
Do not carry it with you or put it in your wallet.

Take the Tri-Rail to the SS Administration (http://www.tri-rail.com/)
Get on the Tri-rail at Mangonia Park Station (1415 45th Street, West Palm Beach, FL 33407). Get off at the Boca Raton Station (680 Yamato Road, Boca Raton, FL 33431). Follow the walking directions from the Tri-Rail station in Boca Raton to the SS Administration at 621 NW 53rd Street. It is a 10 minute walk, (½ mile).

- Head north toward FL-794E
- Turn right on FL-794 E/NW 51st Street/Yamato Road
- Turn left onto NW 53rd Street/NW 8th Ave
- Continue on NW 53rd Street
- Turn left to stay on NW 53rd Street