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WASHINGTON — The Department of Homeland Security today posted a <u>Federal Register notice</u> on Temporary Protected Status (TPS) for Ethiopia. This notice provides information about how to register for TPS under Ethiopia's designation. In October, Secretary of Homeland Security Alejandro N. Mayorkas announced the <u>18-month designation of Ethiopia for TPS</u>.

The registration process begins on Dec. 12, 2022. All individuals who want to request TPS under the designation of Ethiopia must file an application.

To be eligible for TPS under Ethiopia's designation, individuals must demonstrate their continuous residence in the United States since Oct. 20, 2022, and continuous physical presence in the United States since Dec. 12, 2022. Individuals arriving in the United States after Oct. 20, 2022, are not eligible for TPS under this designation and may be subject to removal if they have no other authorization to be in the United States. U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) estimates that about 26,700 individuals may be eligible for TPS under Ethiopia's designation.

Individuals applying for TPS under Ethiopia's designation must submit Form I-821, Application for Temporary Protected Status, during the 18-month initial registration period that runs from Dec. 12, 2022, through June 12, 2024. Ethiopia TPS applicants are eligible to file Form I-821 online. When filing a TPS application, applicants can also request an Employment Authorization Document by submitting a completed Form I-765, Application for Employment Authorization, with their Form I-821. Applicants may also submit Form I-765 online.

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