

# NON-US CITIZEN, NON-PERMANENT RESIDENTS

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The information provided on this page is for panelists who are not US citizens or permanent residents of the US. They are also referred to as Type 5 panelists/participants.

If you are a Foreign National panelist living in the U.S. who is limited to reimbursement for expenses only, such as H-1B, O-1, or J visa holder or you do not live in the U.S., you will receive reimbursement for the expenses computed using the government per diem rate for this area. Receipts are required for reimbursements; please send them to the administrative contact.

[Per Diem Rates for NSF Zip code 22314 \(Lodging & Meals\)](#)

## FOREIGN PARTICIPANTS

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A person who is not a citizen of the United States or a resident alien (green card holder) who serves on a National Science Foundation review panel or advisory committee (including a committee of visitors (COV) or other authorized subcommittee) may be reimbursed for per diem and transportation expenses, but is not eligible for flat rate payment.

## HB-1 OR OTHER SPECIAL VISA PARTICIPANTS

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A person who holds one of the special visas who serves on a National Science Foundation review panel or advisory committee (including a committee of visitors (COV) or other authorized subcommittee) may be reimbursed for per diem and transportation expenses, but is not eligible for flat rate payment.

## REIMBURSEMENT PROCEDURES

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Foreign travelers receive reimbursement via a paper check mailed by the US Treasury. Currently, the Federal government cannot process international electronic transactions. The NSF FastStart Direct Deposit Form 1379 is used to record the home address where checks should be mailed. The first section should be completed with name, home address and please include their email address. Participants may submit the signed form either via fax or mail. Visa holders will be reimbursed via electronic payment to an account at a United States financial institution (Bank, Credit Union, etc.).

## USE OF A PERSONAL VEHICLE

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If a participant uses a personal vehicle in lieu of an airline or train and if the roundtrip mileage is over 300 miles, the total reimbursement is limited to the normal cost of the government-contracted airfare. If the roundtrip mileage is 300 miles or less, NSF will pay all mileage and tolls incurred. In order to be reimbursed for privately owned vehicle (POV) expenses, the participant must complete a POV reimbursement statement. This form should be provided at the meeting.

## **RENTAL CAR**

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Please note that rental cars are not authorized or reimbursable.

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