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Social Security Card for Your Newborn

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Over a thousand babies are born at the U.S. Naval Hospital on Camp Foster every year. Not all of these babies have received Social Security Cards. In order for you to claim your children on your income tax return, you must obtain a social security number for them. The Social Security Card Application is available at <http://www.ssa.gov/online/ss-5.pdf>. Once you complete this application, you will need to include authenticatedⁱ copies of the following documents:

- 1) The child's United States Passport (Identification Page).
- 2) The child's Birth Certificate (U.S. Consular Report of Birth Abroad).
- 3) The Military ID card (copy front and back) or U.S. Passport (copy Identification page) of the parent signing the Social Security Card Application.
- 4) Stateside Driver's License (copy front and back) when a copy of a Military ID card or a U.S. passport is not available.

On Okinawa, you should mail the Social Security Card Application and the certified copies of the documents listed above to the U.S. Embassy in Tokyo. The address is provided below.

U.S. Embassy Tokyo
Consular Section, FBU
Unit 9800, Box 114
DPO, AP 96303-0114

If you need to call the U.S. Embassy in Tokyo, the phone number is DSN Tel: 224-5232.

For more information on obtaining a social security card, you can visit the Social Security Administration Website at www.ssa.gov, or visit the Torii Legal Assistance Office. The Torii Legal Assistance Office is located in Room, 220 in Building 218 (across the street from the Torii Station Post Office).

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