



Extension and Redesignation of Venezuela for Temporary Protected Status

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The U.S. Department of Homeland Security on Oct. 3, 2023, announced that its Secretary extended Venezuela's designation for Temporary Protected Status (TPS) to 18 months, beginning March 11, 2024, and ending Sept. 10, 2025. This is in accordance with the Homeland Security Department's Document 88 FR 68130. This [extension](#) allows current TPS beneficiaries to retain their status until Sept. 10, 2025, if they continue to meet the eligibility requirements. Current TPS beneficiaries who wish to extend their status through Sept. 10, 2025, must reregister during the re-enrollment period described in this notice.

In addition, the Secretary is redesignating Venezuela for TPS. This redesignation allows additional Venezuelan nationals (and individuals without nationality who last resided in Venezuela) who have been continuously residing in the United States since July 31, 2023, to apply for TPS for the first time during the initial registration period described in this notice. In addition to demonstrating continuous residence in the United States since July 31, 2023, and meeting other eligibility criteria, initial applicants for TPS under this designation also must demonstrate that they have been physically present continuously in the United States since Oct. 3, 2023, the effective date of this redesignation.

The Secretary's actions represent two distinct designations of Venezuela for TPS: The first designation of Venezuela announced on March 9, 2021 (Venezuela 2021) and extended in this notice; and this second action, which redesignates Venezuela on Oct. 3, 2023 (Venezuela 2023).

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