How to Apostille a Degree for Your Mexican Work Visa

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Getting a document apostilled for use in Mexico

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United States of America

In the US, to apostille a document (authentication process) for foreign use, there are generally two steps to follow:

- 1. Get the document notarized. In the case of CAT, you will need to get your Bachelor's Degree notarized. Some states allow any notary public to notarize the degree while others require a notary from the issuing institution to verify the authenticity of the degree.
- 2. Send the degree and any other application paperwork and fee to the secretary of state of the state in which the degree was issued.
- 3. The state will send you back the degree with an accompanying degree that is the apostille authenticating the degree. The degree and the apostille accompanying the degree must be brought with you to Torreon. Upon your arrival, the human resources department will take the originals to finalize the visa process and return them to you when immigration has finished with them.

<u>Please note:</u> Each state has its own process and paperwork. The steps outlined above are the basic stages of applying for an apostilled document. Please click on the links below for state specific information before you start the process. This process may take a few weeks, so please keep that in mind when you begin.

State	Apostille Web-Site Information
Alabama	http://www.sos.state.al.us/adminservices/authentications.aspx
Alaska	http://ltgov.alaska.gov/treadwell/notaries/authentications.html
Arizona	http://www.azsos.gov/business_services/notary/apostille.htm
Arkansas	http://www.sos.arkansas.gov/BCS/Pages/apostilleCertification.aspx
California	http://www.sos.ca.gov/business/notary/authentication.htm
Colorado	https://www.sos.state.co.us/pubs/notary/apostilleHelp.html
Connecticut	http://www.sots.ct.gov/sots/cwp/view.asp?a=3177&q=392130
Deleware	http://corp.delaware.gov/apost_info.shtml
Florida	http://notaries.dos.state.fl.us/notproc7.html
Georgia	https://www.gsccca.org/notary-and-apostilles/apostilles/general-apostille-information
Hawaii	http://ltgov.hawaii.gov/the-office/apostilles-and-certifications/
Idaho	http://www.sos.idaho.gov/notary/apostill.htm
Illinois	http://www.cookcountyclerk.com/vitalrecords/authenticatingnotaries/pages/default.aspx
Indiana	http://www.in.gov/sos/business/apostille/
Iowa	http://sos.iowa.gov/business/pdf/APCERT.pdf
Kansas	http://www.kssos.org/business/notary_public/certifications.html
Kentucky	http://www.sos.ky.gov/bus/businessrecords/Pages/Apostilles-and-Authentications.aspx

State	Apostille Web-Site Information
Lousiana	http://www.sos.la.gov/NotaryAndCertifications/Certifications/AuthenticateLouisianaBusinessDocuments/Pages/default.aspx
Maine	http://www.maine.gov/sos/cec/notary/apostilles.html
Maryland	http://www.sos.state.md.us/certifications/certifications.aspx
Massachusettes	http://www.sec.state.ma.us/pre/precom/comidx.htm
Michigan	http://www.michigan.gov/sos/0,4670,7-127-1638_8734_8786-23184,00.html
Minnesota	http://www.sos.state.mn.us/index.aspx?page=1472
Mississippi	http://www.northwestregisteredagent.com/apostille-mississippi.html
Missouri	http://www.sos.mo.gov/business/commissions/certify.asp
Montana	http://sos.mt.gov/Notary/Apostilles/index.asp
Nebraska	http://www.sos.ne.gov/business/apostilles/index.html
Nevada	http://nvsos.gov/index.aspx?page=124
New Hampshire	http://www.sos.nh.gov/certific.htm
New Jersey	http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/revenue/apostilles.shtml
New Mexico	http://www.sos.state.nm.us/Business_Services/Apostille_Information_Overview.aspx
New York	http://www.dos.ny.gov/corps/apostille.html
North Carolina	https://www.secretary.state.nc.us/authen/aposinfo.aspx
North Dakota	http://www.nd.gov/sos/notaryserv/authentications-by-apostille.html
Ohio	http://www.sos.state.oh.us/SOS/recordsIndexes/authentication.aspx
Oklahoma	https://www.sos.ok.gov/business/apostilles.aspx
Oregon	http://sos.oregon.gov/business/Pages/how-to-get-authentication-apostille.aspx
Pennsylvania	http://www.portal.state.pa.us/portal/server.pt/community/06_5_authentication_of_a_notarized_document/12630/how_do_i_obtain_a
	n apostille or certification /572569
Rhode Island	http://sos.ri.gov/business/apostilles/orderapostille/
South Carolina	http://www.scsos.com/apostilles
South Dakota	http://sdsos.gov/content/viewcontent.aspx?cat=adminservices&pg=/adminservices/apostilles.shtm
Tennessee	http://www.tn.gov/sos/bus_svc/apostilles.htm
Texas	http://www.sos.state.tx.us/authinfo.shtml
Utah	http://www.authentications.utah.gov/process.html
Vermont	http://vermont-archives.org/notary/guide/Notary5.htm
Virginia	https://commonwealth.virginia.gov/information/authentications/
Washington	http://www.sos.wa.gov/corps/apostilles/HowtoobtainanApostilleorCertification.aspx
West Virginia	http://www.sos.wv.gov/business-licensing/authentications/pages/default.aspx
Wisconson	http://www.sos.state.wi.us/apostilles.htm
Wyoming	http://soswy.state.wy.us/services/authentication.aspx

Canada

Canada is not a party to the Hague Convention Abolishing the Requirement of Legalization for Foreign Public Documents but does not generally require the authentication of foreign public documents. Please use the following link to find alternatives to the Apostille process.

http://www.torontonotary.com/apostille/

Other countries outside the US and Canada

Please investigate whether your country is part of the Hague Convention, using the link below, and contact human resources in the event that your country is not part of this treaty for more details.

http://www.hcch.net/index_en.php?act=conventions.status&cid=41

Links to competent authorities in all countries participating in the treaty

http://www.hcch.net/index_en.php?act=conventions.authorities&cid=41