Government of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago
Ministry of Homeland Security

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Ministry of Homeland Security Outlines Payment and Collection Process for Migrant Registration Framework Cards

October 30, 2026: The Ministry of Homeland Security advises migrants that the Migrant Registration Framework (MRF) is moving into its third and final phase, following the completion of online applications and in-person registration. As at October 25, 2026, a total of twenty thousand, two hundred and forty-two (20,242) applicants had been recommended for MRF cards and Minister's Permits following a comprehensive security vetting process.

Payment is scheduled to commence on November 1, 2026 at participating National Lotteries Control Board (NLCB) Lotto booths nationwide, with Phase 3 document distribution expected to begin on November 2, 2026. The MRF cards and permits will be valid from November 1, 2026, to October 31, 2027.

What Applicants Need to Do

1. Check Your Application Status

Visit **www.migrantregistration.gov.tt** to check your **application status** and **assigned collection date** details. Follow the instructions provided for your application outcome. Applicants whose status is pending, unsuccessful or cannot be located should seek guidance through the Ministry's MRF Help Desk at mfrhelpdesk@mhs.gov.tt or call 613-1505 before making any payment.

2. Make the Required Payment

Applicants whose applications have been **approved** will be required to **pay seven hundred and ten dollars** ($710.00), comprising the prescribed MRF fee of seven hundred dollars ($700) and ten dollars ($10.00) transaction fee, at participating National Lotteries Control Board (NLCB) Lotto booths nationwide.

Applicants must have their **MRF number available** and retain their **payment receipt as proof of payment.**

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3. Collect Your Documents

Following payment, approved applicants must visit the **Ato Boldon Stadium,** located **Off Balmain Main Road, Balmain, Couva**, on their **assigned collection date**. Applicants must bring their **payment receipt** and the **identification documents** specified in the official collection instructions. At the distribution centre, applicants will sign their Minister's Permits and receive their document packages.

4. Official Photograph

All applicants will be required to have an official photograph taken for their MRF cards at the designated collection centre. Applicants are asked to dress appropriately and wear clothing in a colour other than white to ensure a clear photograph.

Important Information

The MRF card and associated Minister's Permit authorise eligible holders to legally reside and work in Trinidad and Tobago for the duration of the permit's validity. However, the permit does not serve as a travel document and does not permit holders to leave and re-enter Trinidad and Tobago while the permit remains valid.

Applicants are encouraged to monitor the Ministry of Homeland Security's official Facebook and Instagram pages for updates and further instructions.

The Ministry remains committed to facilitating an orderly and efficient process and encourages all applicants to rely on official communication channels for accurate information regarding the MRF.

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