Guide to using the Online Work Permit System (OWPS)

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Using the Online Work Permit System

The Benefits of the Online Work Permit System

The Online Work Permit System (OWPS) can be used to issue teen work permits, process termination notices, and to revoke teen work permits. The system is designed to automate many functions of the work permit process and reduce administrative time required by Indiana schools to manage teen work permits.

Benefits of the system:

1) Eliminates the need for typewriters and carbon paper in favor of modern resources;
2) Eliminates the need to mail the bottom portion of the work permit to the department of labor;
3) Eliminates the need to maintain Office Record Cards;
4) Maintains an employment history for all teens who have been issued a work permit;
5) Allows quick verification of valid work permits; and
6) Allows for easy reprinting of lost work permits.

Logging on and using the Online Work Permit System

To use the Online Work Permit System, type in the secure web address: https://secure.IN.gov/apps/dol/work_permit into your Internet browser. (A link to the system can also be found at www.in.gov/labor/childlabor/index.html) Before entering the web site, you will be prompted by a logon screen to type in your user name and password. If you have not yet been provided a user name and password, please contact the Bureau of Child Labor at (317) 232-2655.
After your User Name and Passed are accepted, you are ready to use the OWPS.

From the OWPS home page, three functions are available:

1. Search Existing Student Records;
2. Browse the List of Students; and
3. Create a New Student Record.

These three functions will help you to create or edit student records; to add, update, or revoke active work permits; and to process termination notices.
Issuing Work Permits

1) A Student Record is required for each teen worker that is to be issued a work permit.

You will only set up one Student Record for each teen. Once the Student Record has been established, it stays in the system allowing you to review the Student Record to process termination notices, revocations, and subsequent work permit issuances. The OWPS maintains each student’s employment history and eliminates the need for the Office Record Card.

2) A work permit may be issued to the teen’s Student Record. The work permit may also be revoked or the termination notice processed from the teen’s Student Record.

Creating a New Student Record

From the OWPS home page, select “Create a New Student Record” to create a new profile for the student. You will be prompted to enter the student’s last name and their birth date to verify that the teen does not already have an existing Student Record.

If a match is found, the screen will look as follows:

If this is the student for whom the work permit is to be issued, click on their name.

If the teen does not have a Student Record, select “Create a New Student Record.” You will then be taken to “Create a New Student Record” page. This page is demonstrated in the following figure:
**CREATE A NEW STUDENT RECORD**

- Please enter the following information to create a new student record, and then select **continue**.
- Fields marked with a * are required.
- Select **back** to return to the main page.

**School Code of School Issuing the Certificate** *

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**Name of Student**

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<th>Middle Initial</th>
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**Is This Student Home Schooled?** *

- Yes  
- No  

**Birth Date** *

- September  
- 26  
- 1997  

**Evidence of age presented** *

- Birth Certificate  
- School Record  
- Other (please specify) 

**Sex** *

- Male  
- Female  

**Student's Birthplace** *

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**Parent or Guardian's Name**

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**Parent or Guardian's Address**

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Complete this information and click on “continue.” You will then be brought to the confirmation page.
Verify the Student Record information.

1) If incorrect, select back to edit the applicable information.

2) If correct, select continue, and the following screen will appear.
After you have added the Student Record, you may proceed to issuing a work permit by selecting “continue.”

**Issuing/Adding a Work Permit to a Student Record**

You may issue/add a work permit to an existing Student Record by selecting the appropriate Student Record using the Search or Browse functions found on the OWPS home page, or by selecting “continue” after adding a new Student Record.

After selecting a Student Record from either the Search or Browse pages, from the “Edit Student Record” page, you can:

• Edit a Student Record
• Add a Work Permit
• Update a Current Work Permit
• Terminate an Active Work Permit
• Revoke an Active Work Permit

When issuing/adding a work permit, you will be asked to enter various information concerning the teen’s potential employer, the employer’s industry, the teen’s job duties, and the hours that the teen is to work.
After you have completed all of the required information, the OWPS will run logical checks to make sure that the teen worker will not be working in a hazardous industry or working hours prohibited by the child labor laws. If everything checks out, you will have chance to confirm the work permit information. Once this information is confirmed, the OWPS creates a work permit for the teen worker.

**Printing a Work Permit**

1) To print the work permit, you are required to have Adobe Acrobat Reader installed in your computer. If you do not, please visit http://www.adobe.com for the free software.

2) From the “Print New Work Permit” page, select “download a PDF of the work permit.”

After the PDF of the work permit has appeared in your browser, select “print” from your browser’s file menu to print the work permit.
Please note: To return to the previous screen, you will have to select the back button on your Internet browser.

Once you have printed the work permit, sign your name, and validate the permit. The work permit may now be given to the teen worker for presentation to the employer.

**Processing Termination Notices**

To process a termination notice, you must first Search or Browse to locate the teen’s Student Record. Once you have found and selected the desired Student Record, you will be taken to the “Edit a Student Record” page.

From the “Edit a Student Record” page, select “Terminate Active Work Permit.”

Enter the date that the teen worker ceased employment. After selecting the date using the drop down menus, select “continue.”

At this point, the screen will ask you to confirm the termination of the work permit for the student. If the “back” option is chosen, the “Terminate Work Permit” page will appear. If the “cancel” option is selected, the “Edit Student Record” screen will appear. If the “continue” option is selected to confirm the termination of the work permit, the “Work Permit Successfully Terminated” page will appear.

You can then print the screen for your records. After printing, you can select “continue” to return to the teen’s Student Record page, or select home to return to the OWPS home page.

**Revoking a Work Permit**

To revoke a work permit, you must first Search or Browse to locate the teen’s Student Record. Once you have found and selected the desired Student Record, you will be taken to the “Edit a Student Record” page.

From the “Edit a Student Record” page, select “Revoke Active Work Permit.”

Enter the date the work permit was revoked and select the reason for its revocation. Select “continue.”

At this point, the screen will ask you to confirm the revocation of the work permit for the student. If the “back” option is chosen, the “Revoke Work Permit” page will appear. If the “cancel” option is selected, the “Edit Student Record” page will appear. If the “continue” option is selected to confirm the revocation of the work permit, the “Work Permit Successfully Revoked” page will appear.

You can then print the screen for your records. After printing, you can select “continue” to return to the teen’s Student Record page, or select home to return to the OWPS home page.

If you have revoked the work permit for grades or attendance, make sure you send a letter to the employer and the teen’s parents/guardian notifying them of the revocation.
Editing a Student Record

To edit a Student Record, you must first Search or Browse to locate the teen’s Student Record. Once you have found and selected the desired Student Record, you will be taken to the “Edit a Student Record” page.

From the “Edit Student Record” page, select “Edit a Student Record.” This will allow you to edit and confirm changes to the Student Record.

After editing and confirming the changes to the teen’s Student Record, select “continue” to return to the teen’s Student Record page, or select home to return to the OWPS home page.

Updating a Work Permit

To update a work permit, you must first Search or Browse to locate the teen’s Student Record. Once you have found and selected the desired Student Record, you will be taken to the “Edit a Student Record” page.

From the “Edit Student Record” page, select “Update Current Work Permit.” This will allow you to edit and confirm changes to the work permit.

After editing and confirming the changes to the teen’s work permit, select “continue” to return to the teen’s Student Record page, or select home to return to the OWPS home page.

Search Existing Student Records

To update a work permit, you must first locate the student record. This can be done using either the browse or search options. Once you have selected the student record which you would like to edit, you will be taken to the “Edit a Student Record” page.

- From the home page, you can use the “Searching Existing Student Records” function to locate the Student Records all teens who have been issued a work permit. The search function allows you to search by first name, last name, or birth date. This search will show all student profiles that meet your selected criteria. Once you have found the record for which you were searching, select that teen’s Student Record and you will be taken to the “Edit Student Record” page.
SEARCH STUDENT RECORDS

- Please enter your search criteria, and then select continue to begin your search.
- At least one search term is required.
- Select back to return to the main page.

Student Name
First

Last

Student's Birth Date
mm/dd/yyyy

<< back  continue >>
Browse the List of Student Records

“Browsing” is another search option which allows you to search all existing Student Records. “Browsing” allows you to see a list of all students in alphabetical order by last name. If the student is listed in, the Student’s Record can then be edited with a single left-click on the student’s name. The “Browse Student Record” page can also be sued to determine if a teen has an existing Student Record.

![BROWSE STUDENT RECORDS](image)

- Click on the name of a student to view or edit that student's information.
- Currently viewing students 1 through 5 of 5 whose last name starts with A.

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<tr>
<th>Student Name</th>
<th>Birth Date</th>
<th>School</th>
<th>Permit Status</th>
<th>Is Permit in a Hazardous Industry?</th>
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<td>Joe B Aaronson</td>
<td>01/01/1988</td>
<td>Adams Central High School (code 0021)</td>
<td>Has an Active Permit</td>
<td>N</td>
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<td>Jimmy D Adams</td>
<td>01/01/1988</td>
<td>Adams Central High School (code 0021)</td>
<td>Permit Terminated on 03/02/2004</td>
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<td>Bobby A Aaronson</td>
<td>01/12/1988</td>
<td>Adams Central Middle School (code 0013)</td>
<td>Permit Terminated on 02/29/2004</td>
<td>N/A</td>
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<td>Bob A Aaronson</td>
<td>01/12/1988</td>
<td>Adams Central Middle School (code 0013)</td>
<td>Permit Terminated on 12/01/2003</td>
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<td>Marten Aouad</td>
<td>06/24/1987</td>
<td>Adams Central Middle School (code 0013)</td>
<td>Permit Revoked on 12/28/2004 for Hazardous Occupation</td>
<td>N/A</td>
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Frequently Asked Questions

Do I have to enter the information into the system if they have already been issued an old-style green work permit?

No, you only enter information when it pertains to new work permits. The same is also true with regard to termination notices.

What do I do with the old termination notices when they come in?

Process these notices the same as you would with old system, and use the OWPS the next time the student is issued a work permit.

Do I still have to keep the office record cards?

No, with the new system there will be no need to use the Office Record Cards.

Troubleshooting and Contacts

On occasion you may have trouble logging on to the OWPS, incur a technical error within the OWPS, or discover an error within the text that the OWPS displays. If you incur such an error or discover such problems, please alert the appropriate contacts.

If reporting a technical/system error, please indicate on what page the error occurred and what you did before the error occurred and exactly what happened. Where applicable, please include the name of the student and the employer.

For trouble logging on and technical errors, please contact:

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