

FAQs for PAN - Aadhaar linkage for NRIs

1.

A resident issued with an Aadhaar Card in 2011 subsequently became an NRI. Does he/she need to link Aadhaar with PAN?

Answer

Yes. It is mandatory to link Aadhaar with PAN if you hold an Aadhaar Card.

2.

What will happen if an Aadhaar Card is not linked with PAN?

Answer

As per the Income Tax rules, PAN will become inoperative consequently leading to higher withholding tax (if applicable) with effect from July 01, 2023.

3.

If an NRI does not hold an Aadhaar Card, will his/her PAN become inoperative?

Answer

If an NRI does not hold an Aadhaar Card, he/she will have to update their correct residential status in the Income Tax portal online or else, the PAN will become inoperative on the Income Tax portal. If PAN is inoperative, please submit the necessary documents as mentioned in FAQ 6 to your Jurisdictional Assessing Officer.

4.

What will happen if PAN becomes inoperative?

Answer

If PAN becomes inoperative, it will result in higher withholding tax (if applicable) with effect from July 01, 2023.

5.

How to change residential status to Non-Resident?

Answer

Log in to <https://www.incometax.gov.in/iec/foportal/> → My Profile → Profile → Edit → Residential Status.

6.

What is the process to make PAN operative if you do not possess Aadhaar?

Answer

Please intimate your NRI status along with below supporting documents to your respective Jurisdictional Assessing Officer to make the PAN operative.

Copy of PAN Card and any of the following documents:

- Copy of Passport for confirming NRI status
- Copy of Person of Indian Origin (PIO) Card issued by Government of India
- Copy of Overseas Citizen of India (OCI) Card issued by Government of India
- Copy of other national or citizenship Identification Number or Taxpayer Identification Number duly attested by 'Apostille' (for countries which are signatories to the Hague Convention of 1961), by the Indian Embassy, High Commission or Consulate in the country where the applicant is located or authorised officials of overseas branches of Scheduled Banks registered in India.

7.

How to check if PAN has become operative again?

Answer

To check the status of your PAN, log in to e-filing portal at <https://www.incometax.gov.in/iec/foportal/>

8.

How to check if PAN is linked with Aadhaar Card?

Answer

[Click here](#) to check the status of the linkage of PAN with Aadhaar.

9.

How to link Aadhaar Card with PAN?

Answer

3 easy ways suggested by the Government of India for linking Aadhaar Card with PAN:

- Income Tax portal

Visit <https://www.incometax.gov.in/iec/foportal/> and click on 'Link Aadhaar'.

- SMS

Send <UIDPAN> <12 digit Aadhaar> <10 digit PAN> to <567678> or <56161>

Example: <UIDPAN 123456789123 AAAPA1234P>.

- PAN Service Centre

Visit any designated service centre of PAN service providers like NSDL/UTIITSL (Go to PAN Card services and select PAN application centres).