Taglit-Birthright Israel: Shorashim
Registration Process

When does registration for winter trips begin? How do I register?

- Registration begins on September 9th at noon EST.
- To register, please go to www.israelwithisraelis.com, click the Register Now tab.
- If you have registered for a Taglit-Birthright Israel trip in the past (and did not go) you can take advantage of the special early registration date, September 8th at noon EST.

What is the Taglit-Birthright Israel registration process? What information will I be asked to provide?

Personal information including: e-mail address (not a university e-mail ending in edu); social security number; birth date; primary and secondary addresses; parents’ names and contact information; and passport information (this can be added later if you still need to apply for or renew your passport).

- Questions about your Jewish background.
- Short statement about why you want to go to Israel on a Taglit-Birthright Israel trip.
- Online participant waiver form requiring an electronic signature.
- E-mail confirmation will be sent to you.
- $250 refundable security deposit Once your application has been approved by Taglit-Birthright Israel, if there is space, you'll be asked to submit the deposit. You can either pay by credit card or automatic withdrawal from your checking account.

Why isn't everyone asked to submit their deposit?

- Only some registrants will be asked to submit a deposit.
- Every applicant will fill out an application.
- Every applicant will be asked to select a trip on the Taglit-Birthright Israel: Shorashim application.
- When you select a trip one of two things will happen.
  - You’ll be asked to submit a deposit
  - You’ll be asked to be put on a waitlist for that trip or select another trip option with Shorashim.
  - Stay with Shorashim. Your chances for placement will increase in a future round if you stay on the waitlist and you might be considered for a trip later in the round in which case you’d make your deposit at that point.

Is that all I have to do? Are there other forms I need to fill out for Shorashim?

- Once you have completed that Taglit-Birthright Israel Application, additional requirements include:
  - Completing a date and friendship request form
  - Filling out an emergency contact form
  - Submitting a medical history form
  - Sending a copy of the first page of your passport (this step can be completed later if you still need to apply for or renew a passport)
  - Calling Shorashim at 312.267.0677 for a brief phone interview (5-10 minutes)
  - Eventually, when you are assigned to a trip, you will need to provide Shorashim with proof of health insurance.

How do I give credit to the person that referred me?

- To give credit to a recruiter or someone who referred you to Shorashim, check for their name on the date and friendship request form under the heading “I was told about this program by:” when you are logged into your Shorashim Application Status page.