

A Guide to  
"Alien Arrivals: Fort Kent and Madawaska ME 1906-1952"

MCC-00223

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**General Information**

*Collection Title:* Alien Arrivals: Fort Kent and Madawaska ME (1906-1952)

*Accession Number:* MCC-00223  
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*Shelf Numbers:* UF231

*Description:* Manifests of “permanent and temporary alien arrivals” at Eastport, at Fort Kent, at Lubec, and  
at Madawaska, Maine, ca. 1906-December 24, 1952.

*Provenance:* Records were created and microfilmed by the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service. The microfilms were transferred to the National Archives in 1957 and published in 2004.

*Physical Description:* Two 16mm microfilm rolls      *Date range:* 1906-1952  
*Language:* English

*Access:* There are no restrictions on this collection.

*Scope and Contents:* The records include permanent and temporary alien arrivals at four “ports of entry” in  
Maine: Eastport, Fort Kent, Lubec, and Madawaska (a few U.S. citizen arrivals and departures are  
also included). Arrivals are arranged in eight record series by arrival port; within each series, they are divided by surname, then subdivided by first name. Details on the arrangement are provided in  
the films’ tables of contents.

Although the I.N.S. targets filmed at the beginning of each roll do not give starting dates for these  
series, it’s possible that the collection includes arrivals as early as 1906, although the earliest date  
found by the National Archives during processing was 1908. Also, there appears to be some filing errors: some pre-July 1, 1924 manifests are located in the post-July 1, 1924 series, and vice versa.

Therefore, researchers should check both series of the particular port for an alien’s arrival.

These records form part of the National Archives’ “Records of the Immigration and Naturalization Service” collection, Record Group 85. The National Archives publication number is A3401.

For more information, and a full discussion/description of the I.N.S. forms involved, please see the  
finding aid prepared by the National Archives on pages 3-9. (NB: Much of the information found on

this summary was drawn from that National Archives finding aid.)

*Related Archival Collections:* The Acadian Archives has copies of two additional collections of microfilmed

Immigration and Naturalization Service arrival records: MCC-00203 "Alien Arrivals: Van Buren ME (1906-1952)" and MCC-00204 "Alien and Citizen Arrivals: Fort Fairfield ME (1909-1953)".

*Preservation Actions:* none required.

*Arrangement:* Records for Fort Kent (with those for Eastport and Lubec) appear on roll UF-231; those for Madawaska appear on roll UF-232. For a full table of contents, see page 9.