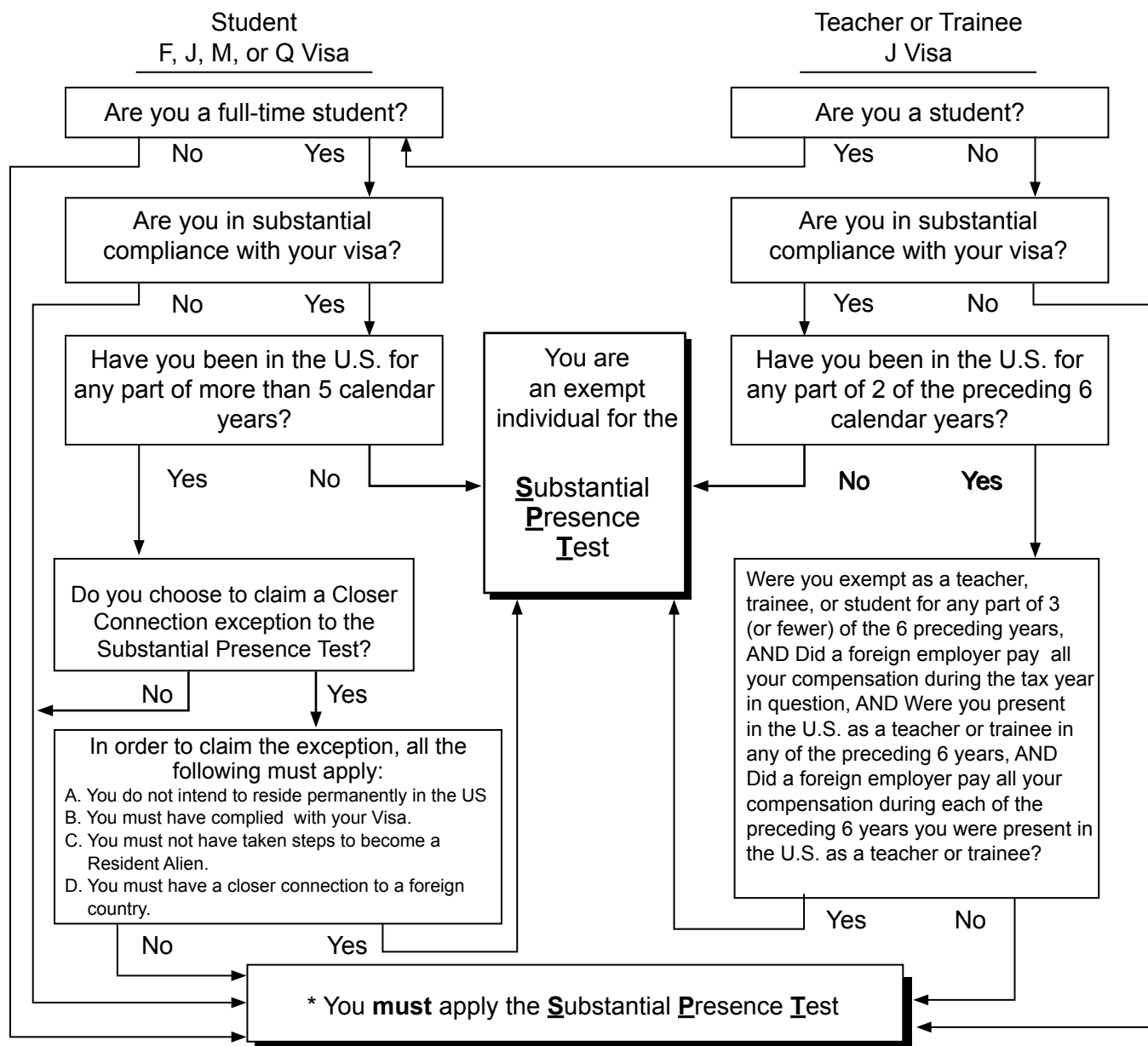


Are you an exempt individual? – Decision Tree

If you are temporarily present in the United States on an F, J, M, or Q visa, use this chart to determine if you are an exempt individual for the **Substantial Presence Test (SPT).**

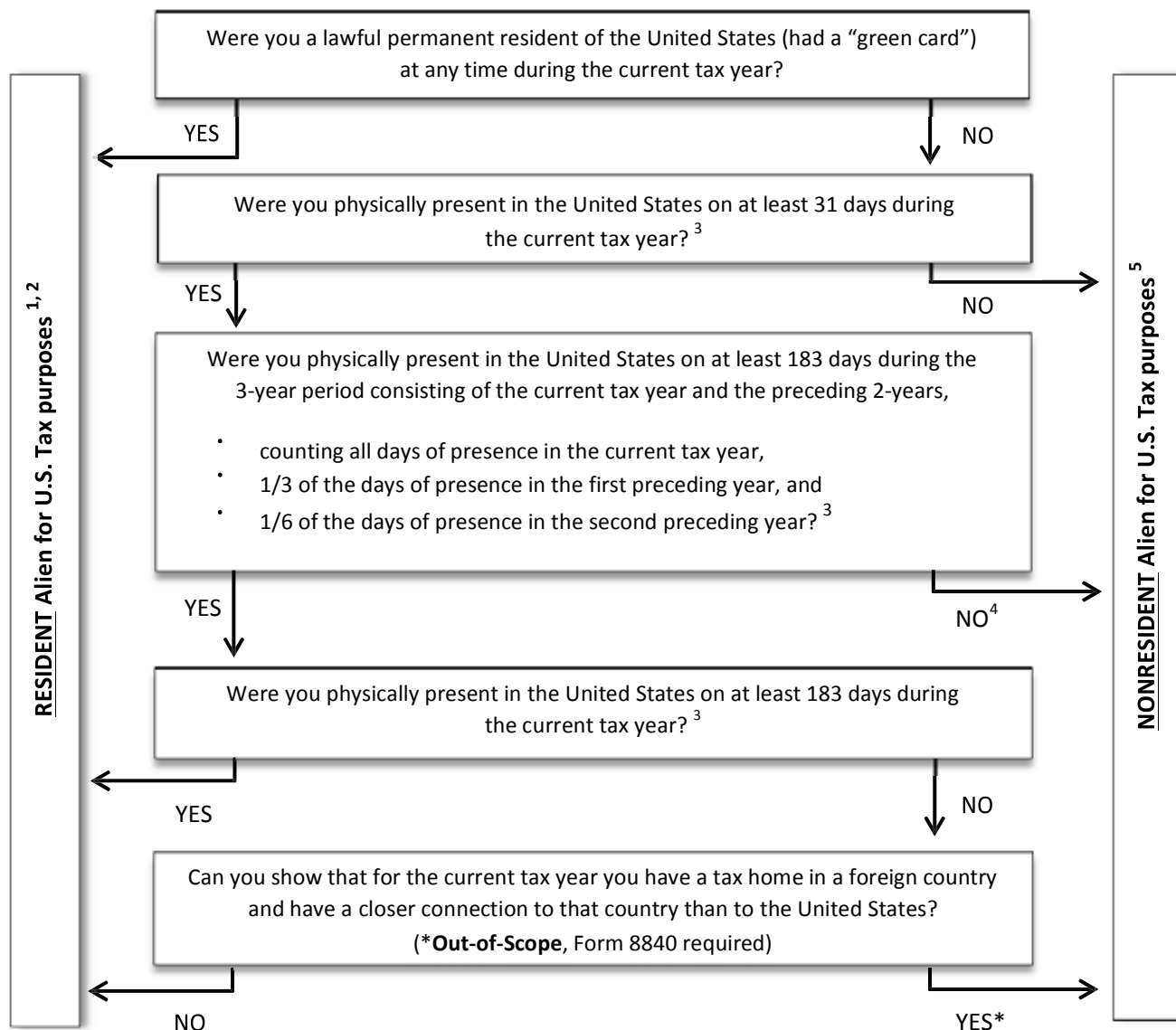


* Substantial Presence Test (SPT) You will be considered a U.S. resident for tax purposes if you meet the substantial presence test for calendar year 2018. To meet this test, you must be physically present in the United States on at least:

1. 31 days during 2018 and
2. 183 days during the 3-year period that includes 2018, 2017, and 2016, counting:
 - a. all the days your were present in 2018 and
 - b. 1/3 of the days you were present in 2017, and
 - c. 1/6 of the days your were present in 2016.

Nonresident Alien or Resident Alien? - Decision Tree

Start here to determine your residency status for federal income tax purposes



1. If this is your first year of residency, you may have a dual status for the year. See Dual-Status Aliens in Pub 519. **(Out-of-Scope)**
2. In some circumstances you may still be considered a nonresident alien and eligible for benefits under an income tax treaty between the U.S. and your country. Check the provision of the treaty carefully. **(Out-of-Scope)**
3. See *Days of Presence in the United States* in Pub 519 for days that do not count as days of presence in the U.S. (Exempt individuals such as students, scholars, and others temporarily in the U.S. under an F, J, M, or Q visa's immigration status do not count their days of presence in the U.S. for specified periods of time.)
4. If you meet the substantial presence test for the following year, you may be able to choose treatment as a U.S. resident alien for part of the current tax year. See *Substantial Presence Test* under *Resident Aliens and First-Year Choice* under *Dual Status Aliens* in Pub. 519. **(Out-of-Scope)**
5. Nonresident students from Barbados, Hungary, and Jamaica, as well as trainees from Jamaica, may qualify for an election to be treated as a U.S. Resident for tax purposes under their tax treaty provisions with the U.S. A formal, signed, election statement must be attached to the Form 1040 (preparation of the statement is **Out-of-Scope**). (It continues until formally revoked.)