



TOURIST VISA – NON SOUTH AFRICAN PASSPORTS

Visa for stay of up to 12 months

(applicants between the ages of 18 – 74)

Tourist visas are intended for visitors seeking to enter Australia for the purpose of tourism or other recreational activities. They do not permit the applicant to engage in work or business activities.

A single-entry or multiple-entry visa may be issued, depending on the needs and circumstances of the applicant. This is entirely at the discretion of the decision maker.

Attached is an application checklist to assist you in lodging a tourist visa application. Please complete and submit this checklist along with a completed and signed application form 48R.

Previous travellers to Australia – If you have previously travelled to Australia and have abided with all visa conditions, weight may be given to your previous travel history in deciding a new application, however, you must still provide the documentation requested overleaf.

Persons with no travel history to Australia – If you have never travelled to Australia, you must provide all the additional documentation listed overleaf.

Applications can only be processed quickly if all appropriate supporting documentation is provided at the time of lodgement. *Due to the high volume of visa applications received, a decision may be made on the information available without requesting further documentation, therefore it is in your interests to submit a complete application.*

Visa application charge – Please contact VFS for their acceptable payment types and current immigration visa application charge amounts. VFS will charge a service fee above the visa application charge.

Please note that an airline ticket is **not** a visa requirement and does not in itself lead to a visa being granted. You should not make unalterable or non-refundable travel arrangements until such a time as you have confirmation you have been granted a visa. There is no guarantee you will be granted a visa.

Further information regarding Australian visas is available on the Australian Department of Immigration and Citizenship website: www.immi.gov.au.

Please Note: The Australian High Commission, Pretoria, reserves the right to request further information at any time, if deemed necessary.

ALL SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION MUST BE IN ENGLISH, OR ACCOMPANIED BY A CERTIFIED TRANSLATION.

PLEASE SEE AND COMPLETE REVERSE SIDE OF SHEET
AND HAND IN WITH VISA APPLICATION FORM.

TOURIST VISA (676)

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

With your completed and signed application form 48R you **must** include the following:

- Current Valid Passport with at least 6 months validity. ✓ Here
 - A recent (no older than 6 months) passport-sized photograph of yourself.
 - Payment of the Australian Government Visa Application Charge. Advice on how to pay this charge can be found at www.vfs-au.co.za **OR** if the Visa Application Charge has been paid to an office of the Department of Immigration and Citizenship in Australia, the original pink copy of the receipt must be submitted.
 - Have you previously travelled to Australia? (Please tick as appropriate) Yes
No
 - A Photocopy of the biodata page of your current valid passport.
 - Evidence of funds i.e. **ORIGINAL or CERTIFIED COPIES** of bank statements showing a history of savings of at least 3 months prior to date of visa application. The statements must show the account holder's name, account number and current account balance ** (see below).
- OR**
- Bank statement for the past 3 months of the person/s who will be supporting you while in Australia as well as a letter or email/fax from them showing their willingness to support you**(see below).
- An **original** letter from your employer confirming your employment and leave dates (must be on company letterhead) **OR** evidence of enrolment at a school, college or university.
 - An invitation letter or fax / email from the person you'll be staying with **OR** proof of accommodation (such as hotel reservations)
 - If you intend staying in Australia **longer than 3 months**, or **visiting a hospital/patients for any period**, a chest examination and x-ray from an Australian approved panel radiologist (see list at <http://www.immi.gov.au/contacts/panel-doctors/index.htm>). If you are **visiting a school/classroom for more than 3 months** you are also required to undertake a physical examination with an approved panel doctor.
 - Itinerary from travel agent with proposed arrival and departure dates.
 - If you have been **charged with or convicted of any offences** in any country, a police certificate from the police authorities in the relevant country (no older than 12 months). If you have **served in the armed forces** (army, navy, air-force, reserves) in any capacity in the last 10 years, a discharge certificate indicating the period you served and the date of discharge.

** Internet or ATM Bank Statements **WILL NOT** be accepted. Funds must be available and not held in term or investment accounts.

❖ *If you are travelling with a family member who holds a valid visa, or is an ETA or e-Visitor eligible passport holder, a certified copy of their passport and visa is required.*

I HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGE THAT I HAVE PROVIDED ALL NECESSARY DOCUMENTATION FOR A DECISION TO BE MADE ON MY VISA APPLICATION.

Signed:..... Date:.....

Print Name:.....