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What is a Philippine Visa?

A Philippine Visa is an endorsement made on a travel document by a consular officer at a Philippine Embassy or Consulate abroad denoting that the visa application has been properly examined and that the bearer is permitted to proceed to the Philippines and request permission from the Philippine Immigration authorities at the ports of entries to enter the country. The visa thus issued is not a guarantee that the holder will be automatically admitted into the country, because the admission of foreign nationals into the Philippines is a function of the immigration authorities at the port of entry.

Guidelines on the Entry of Temporary Visitors to the Philippines

Nationals from countries listed below who are traveling to the Philippines for business and tourism purposes are allowed to enter the Philippines without visas for a stay not exceeding twenty-one (21) days, provided they hold valid tickets for their return journey to port of origin or next port of destination and their passports valid for a period of at least six (6) months beyond the contemplated period of stay. However, Immigration Officers at ports of entry may exercise their discretion to admit holders of passports valid for at least sixty (60) days beyond the intended period of stay.

Nationals from the following countries are allowed to enter the Philippines without a visa for a period of stay of twenty-one (21) days or less:

Andorra	Brazil*	Comoros	Equatorial Guinea
Angola	Brunei Darussalam	Congo	Eritrea
Antigua and Barbuda	Bulgaria	Costa Rica	Ethiopia
Argentina	Burkina Faso	Cote d'Ivoire	Fiji
Australia	Burundi	Cyprus	Finland
Austria	Cambodia	Czech Republic	France
Bahamas	Cameroon	Democratic Republic of the Congo	Gabon
Bahrain	Canada	Denmark	Gambia
Barbados	Cape Verde	Djibouti	Germany
Belgium	Central African Republic	Dominica	Ghana
Benin	Chad	Dominican Republic	Gibraltar
Bhutan	Chile	Ecuador	Greece
Bolivia	Colombia	El Salvador	Grenada
Botswana			Guatemala



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Guinea	Maldives	Paraguay	Suriname
Guinea Bissau	Mali	Peru	Swaziland
Guyana	Malta	Poland	Sweden
Haiti	Marshall Islands	Portugal	Switzerland
Honduras	Mauritania	Qatar	Thailand
Hungary	Mauritius	Republic of Korea	Togo
Iceland	Mexico	Romania	Trinidad and Tobago
Indonesia	Micronesia	Russian Federation	Tunisia
Ireland	Monaco	Rwanda	Turkey
Israel*	Mongolia	Saint Kitts and Nevis	Tuvalu
Italy	Morocco	Saint Lucia	Uganda
Jamaica	Mozambique	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	United Arab Emirates
Japan	Myanmar	Samoa	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
Kenya	Namibia	San Marino	United Republic of Tanzania
Kiribati	Nepal	Sao Tome and Principe	United States of America
Kuwait	Netherlands	Saudi Arabia	Uruguay
Lao People's Democratic Republic	New Zealand	Senegal	Venezuela
Lesotho	Nicaragua	Seychelles	Vietnam
Liberia	Niger	Singapore	Zambia
Liechtenstein	Norway	Slovakia	Zimbabwe
Luxembourg	Oman	Solomon Islands	
Madagascar	Palau	Somalia	
Malawi	Panama	South Africa	
Malaysia	Papua New Guinea	Spain	



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*The following are allowed to enter the Philippines without a visa for a stay not exceeding fifty-nine (59) days:

1. *Holders of Brazil passports; and*
2. *Holders of Israel passports*

The following are allowed to enter the Philippines without a visa for a stay not exceeding seven (7) days:

3. *Holders of Hong Kong Special Administrative (SAR) passports*
4. *Holders of British National Overseas (BNO) passports*
5. *Holders of Portuguese Passports issued in Macao*
6. *Holders of Macao Special Administrative Region (SAR) passports*

Important Note:

Nationals who are subjects of deportation/blacklist orders of the Department and the Bureau of Immigration shall not be admitted to the Philippines. Further inquiries may be addressed to the Visa Division (Telephone numbers: 834-4854, 834-3707, and 834-4810), Department of Foreign Affairs, 2330 Roxas Boulevard, Pasay City or to any Philippine Embassy or Consulate abroad.

Definition of a Foreign Tourist (Temporary Visitor)

A foreign tourist is defined as a person without distinction as to race, gender, language or religion, who is proceeding to the Philippines for a legitimate, nonimmigrant purpose such as sightseeing, sports, health, family reasons, training or study (excluding enrolment in schools for the purpose of obtaining a title or degree), religious pilgrimage, business, cultural and scientific purposes.

Standard Procedure/Minimum Requirements for Applying a Temporary Visitor's Visa

Application for a temporary visitor's visa must be made in person. In the case of a minor under eighteen (18) years of age, the application may be made for him by a person who, in the opinion of the consular officer, is responsible for his/her welfare. The minor, not an infant in arms, shall be required to appear at the Consulate for interview, together with the person making the application for him/her.

Applicants for temporary visitor's visa should normally apply at the Philippine Embassy or Consulate that has jurisdiction over their place of residence. While some visa applicants may apply at any Philippine Embassy or Consulate abroad, others are only allowed to apply his/her visa at the Philippine Embassy or Consulate in his country of origin or legal residence.

The following are the minimum requirements for applying a temporary visitor's visa:

1. *Passport/Travel Document Valid for at least six (6) months beyond the intended period of stay in the Philippines;*
2. *Duly Accomplished Visa application forms;*
3. *Passport Photos (2 pieces);*
4. *Proof of bona fide status as tourist or businessman;*
5. *Confirmed tickets for return or onward journey to the next port of destination; and*
6. *Payment of Visa Fees*