

Who should use this form?

Use this form only if you are outside Australia to apply for a visa to visit Australia for tourism or other recreational activities (holiday, sightseeing, social or recreational reasons, to visit relatives or friends, or other short-term non-work purposes including study).

If you are applying to visit Australia for medical treatment you should use form 48ME.

Types of visitor visas

You can apply for the following types of visa using this form:

SHORT STAY TOURIST VISA (SHORT VALIDITY) Visa valid for up to one year. Stay of 3 months on each arrival.

SHORT STAY TOURIST VISA (LONG VALIDITY)

Visa valid for up to 4 years. Stay of 3 months on each arrival.

LONG STAY TOURIST VISA (LONG VALIDITY)

Visa valid for up to 4 years. Stays of up to 6 months (longer if requested).

Charge

There is a non-refundable charge which must accompany each application.

Who can you include in this application?

Only one passport-holder can apply on one form. You can include in your application any children on your passport who will be travelling with you.

Children under 18 years of age, travelling without one or both of their legal guardians, require authorisation from the non-accompanying guardian(s) to travel to Australia.

Additional information

You may have to fill out more forms or obtain certain reports or documents to include with your application.

For example:

 if you are visiting friends or relatives, it is helpful if they provide you with a letter setting out how long they expect you to stay, what plans have been made for the stay in Australia and whether they have previously supported a visitor to Australia if you are 70 years or over, you will be asked to show evidence from your doctor that you are fit to travel and that you have medical insurance to cover your stay in Australia.

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> The Australian mission will tell you if any other form or requirements are needed.

Evidence of funds

All visitors to Australia must be able to demonstrate they have adequate funds to cover all costs associated with their visit. Visitors may be asked to show evidence that they have the necessary funds or, if someone else is offering to help meet these costs, they may be asked to provide such evidence. Providing evidence of funds with a completed application will often help expedite the processing of a visitor application.

The criterion "adequate funds" may be satisfied by showing personal bank statements, money transfer receipts, pay slips, audited accounts, taxation records or cash in hand, depending on the amount of money, the number of persons to support, the type of activities planned and the length of stay sought. If you are relying on support from friends or relatives in Australia, please ask them to send evidence of their ability to meet this commitment (see questions 26 and 31 in the application form).

How to apply

Step 1

Make sure you have a passport which is valid for your period of stay in Australia.

Please note: If you already have a visa for travel to Australia and you are granted another one, the first will cease.

Step 2

Please read the *Conditions for a tourist visitor to Australia* on the next page. You must be willing to abide by these conditions while in Australia. Form 48R

Step 3

Complete the attached form.

You must answer all questions honestly and completely. False or misleading information may lead to refusal or cancellation of your visa, or penalties while in Australia.

A travel agent or other representative may help you fill out the form, but you must sign it. If unable to sign, a parent or guardian may sign on your behalf.

Step 4

Make sure you provide any attachments required, particularly your passport.

If required, you must attach details of criminal history and other occurrences (see question 28 in the application form).

Step 5

Lodge your application form, the charge, your passport and attachments at the nearest Australian mission.

Your application may be lodged personally or by your representative, or sent by mail.

If you send in your application by mail, include a self-addressed pre-paid envelope for the secure return of your passport.

Step 6

When your passport is returned, check that all the people travelling on it are covered by the visa, and note the conditions on your visa label.

If your visa is marked 'multipletravel', you can visit Australia as many times as you like while your visa is valid. On each visit you can stay as long as your visa allows.

Step 7

Before you travel, please check that you have health insurance. Medical treatment in Australia can be very expensive. Visitors are not covered by Australia's national health insurance scheme (unless they are covered by a reciprocal health care agreement).

Health and character

Visitors to Australia must be of good health, of good character, and not be subject to any restrictions on travel to Australia.

Questions 27 and 28 on the application form ask you to make a declaration about the health and character of yourself and any children included in your application.

If there is a change to what you declare at questions 27 and 28 before your travel, you should inform the Australian mission. This will help avoid any problems when you arrive in Australia.

All travellers must make another declaration that they are not suffering tuberculosis and are of good character when they arrive in Australia.

Conditions for a tourist visitor to Australia

Visitors to Australia must be willing and able to abide by the conditions listed below, while in Australia.

If you are unable or unwilling to abide by these conditions, you should not apply for a visa. Failure to abide by the conditions may lead to cancellation of visa and other penalties.

If you have any questions or concerns about the conditions, you should ask for more information from the Australian mission.

Conditions

You must NOT undertake employment or business activities while in Australia.

You must NOT undertake study of more than 3 months duration while in Australia.

If you intend to study for longer than 4 weeks, you may be asked by the Australian mission to provide a chest x-ray.

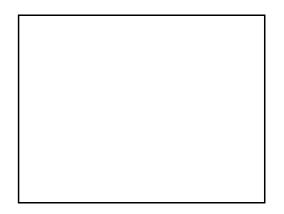
Some visas may not allow a further visa in Australia. You will be told if this applies to you when your application is decided. If so, it means that you cannot get a further visa for temporary stay or permanent residence in Australia.

There may be other conditions depending on the reasons for your visit. These conditions will be shown on your visa.

About the information you give

The Department of Immigration and Multicultural Affairs (DIMA) is authorised to collect information provided on this form under Part 2 of the *Migration Act 1958* : Control of Arrival and Presence of Non-Citizens. The information will be used for assessing your eligibility for a visitor visa and for other purposes relating to the administration of the Migration Act.

The information form *Safeguarding your personal information*, available from DIMA offices, gives details of agencies to which your information might also be disclosed.





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Ple	ease complete usir	ng BLOCK LETTERS				AND		
1	Do you currentl Australian visa Are you current decision on and visa application	? NO res ly awaiting a other Australian No Yes	10	Nationalit	y - as shown	any children (aged years or more) who are on your passport and will b travelling with you.		
	Australian visa a while you already cease.	eneral, a person can only hold one t a time. If you are granted a visa y have another, the first visa will	11	n your pas Place of birth	Town or city Country			
2	Class of visa you are applying for (select one only): Visitor (short stay) - up to 3 months			12 Country where you live				
	Visito	or (long stay) - more than 3 months stay on each visit	13	Your curr	ent address - where	you can be contacted		
3	For what period	do you wish to visit Australia?		Postal area	a code			
	attach a stateme	y of more than 6 months, please ant indicating the length of stay and an extended visit.		Hor	ne or (you can be contacted		
4	Your full name Family name / su Given names	- as in your passport urname		Only count	f people applying c t yourself and any ch ir passport and will b	hildren who		
			16	Why do ye	ou want to visit Au	stralia?		
5	Name in your o	wn script or characters - if applicable			i sm - holiday, sightso study, visiting friends			
6	maiden name, al	you have been known by - such as lias, previous married name or identification number		Other re	asons or special ev	vent (give details)		
7	Sex	Male Female						
8	Marital status - your current situa	select one box which best describes ation						
		Married Divorced						

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9 Date of birth

Engaged

Common law / de facto

Separated but not divorced

Widowed

(DAY/MONTH/YEAR)

Never married

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7	Do you have any relatives, friends or contacts you will visit in Australia? No Yes > Give details								
	Name of person	Relati	onship			Address	YES or NO		
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8	Are there any children in your passport who will be travelling with you? No Yes Sive details of each child								
	Full name		Sex M or F		ate of birth	Country of birth			
	Note: A consent to travel statement must be provided where one or more custodial parents/guardians are not accompanying the dependent child.								
9	Do you have a wife or husba fiance, who will NOT be trave	nd, any children elling with you to	, or a	22	Are you cu	urrently employed? Yes // > Give details			
	Australia? No Yes > Where v	vill they be while y	/ou			nt occupation			
	are in Au	istralia?							
					Name of th	e person or company who emplo	oys you		
2	Hove you emplied for entry to	Australia in the	lact F						
0	Have you applied for entry to Australia in the la years? Types of entry include visitor, migration, st								
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	Type of entry applied for				Employer's telephone	umber ()			
	Was it approved?	No	Yes			ave you been by this employer?			
	Month and year	1	9		How much	leave has been			
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	Type of entry applied for				(5	visit Australia?			
	Was it approved?	No 🗌 `	Yes		From	DAY/MONTH/YEAR) (DAY/M	ONTH/YEAR)		
1		the last 5 years Is of the 3 most repriods of residence	ecent	24	Do you int 4 weeks w	end to do a course of study of hile in Australia?	f more thar		
	Arrival	Departure	•			Yes 📄 > Give details			
	(DAY / MONTH / YEAR)	(DAY / MONTH / YI	EAR)		Name of th	e course			
	2								
	3				How many	weeks is the course?			

25	How much money do you have now for buying your travel tickets and maintaining \$	28	Have you, or any children included in this application:
	yourself in Australia?		been convicted of a crime or any No Yes offence in any country?
26	Will anyone in Australia be paying for your tickets, providing you with funds, or maintaining you while you are in Australia?		 been acquitted of any criminal or other offence on the grounds of mental illness, insanity or unsoundness of mind?
	No Yes Sive the names of those people, and details of the		been deported from any country? No Yes
	support they will be providing		left any country voluntarily prior to the execution of a deportation No Yes order?
			been excluded from or required to No Yes
			ever had an application for entry to Australia refused or a visa for Australia cancelled?
			 been involved in any activities that would represent a risk to Australian No Yes national security?
27			 ever committed, or been involved in the commission of war crimes or crimes against humanity or human rights?
21	Have you or any children included in this application ever had, or currently have, tuberculosis or any other serious disease		any outstanding debts to the No Yes Australian Government?
	(including mental illness), condition or disability?		If you answered 'Yes' to any of the above questions, you must give ALL relevant
	No		details. If the matter relates to a criminal conviction, please give the nature of the offence,
	Yes > Is the disease, condition or disability one that:		full details of sentence and dates of any period of imprisonment or other detention.
	 requires or is likely to require medical, hospital No Yes 		
	or special care?		
	is likely to be a cost to the No Yes Australian community?		
	 is likely to endanger the Australian community? 	29	Before you sign the following declaration, you must
		20	read the <i>Conditions for a visitor to Australia</i> on
	If you answered "Yes" to any of the above questions, provide ALL relevant details below		page 2.
			 DECLARATION I declare that the information on this form is
			complete and correct.
			 My intention to visit Australia is genuine, and I will abide by the conditions of the visa.
			• I have adequate funds to meet all costs associated with my visit to and from Australia for myself and all
			those included in this application.
			 I have declared all relevant details about my health and character.
			 I have read and understood the conditions for a
			visitor to Australia, and I am willing and able to abide by those conditions.
			Signature of applicant
			(DAY/MONTH/YEAR)
		30	How do you want your passport returned?To be collectedReturned by mail

31	APPLICATION CHECKLIST	.i.e.	Office use only
	Tick 🚺 when you have done th		INTERVIEWED: YES / NO
	With your application you must include your		
	passport , valid for your period of stay in Australia.		VISA No.:
			SINGLE / MULTIPLE
	Attach a recent passport photograph of yourself		CLASS:
	and any children (aged 2 years or more) who are		STAY:
	on your passport and travelling with you.		VALIDITY:
	With your application, include the application		COMMENTS:
	charge.		
	If a child under 18 years of age will be travelling		
	without one or both parents/guardians, the non-accompanying custodial parent(s)/ guardian(s) must provide written authorisation for the child to travel to Australia.		
	If you want your passport returned to you by mail,		
	you must attach a self-addressed passport-size		
	envelope, with sufficient postage for the type of		
	delivery you require.		
	If you are applying together with another person,		
	your applications should be clipped together or		
	placed in an envelope.		
	Separate the front sheet and keep for reference,		
	and as a receipt if you are picking up your		
	passport.		
	Listed below are the documents most frequently		
	requested to enable a decision to be made on an		
	application. To avoid delays, it is advisable to		
	include these documents when you lodge this form.		
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	Evidence of funds available to you, such as bank		
	statements, travellers cheques, and undertakings		
	by any other person or organisation to provide		
	funds.		
	Evidence of your medical/travel insurance.		
	If you are employed, a letter from your employer stating your income, the amount of leave, and that		
	you will still have your job when you return.		
	If you are a student, evidence of enrolment at		
	your school, college or university.		
	If you intend to visit close family (permanent		
	resident of Australia), a letter of invitation to visit.		
	Please note		
	If anyone in Australia will be paying for your tickets,		
	providing you with funds, or maintaining you while		
	you are in Australia, you may be asked to arrange		
	for that person to send details about their financial		
	position to the visa office where you lodge your visa		
	application. See explanatory notes for further details.		
	You may have to fill out more forms or obtain		
	certain reports or documents to include with your		
	application. The Australian Government Office will		
	tell you if this is necessary.		