# Application for an eVisa for India (eTourist visa)

Website: <a href="https://www.indianvisasonline.org.in">https://www.indianvisasonline.org.in</a>

## Information per U.S. Department of State

Requirements for Entry:

- Passport validity: Must have six months' remaining validity or more at time of entry
- Blank passport pages: Two pages required for entry visa
- Tourist visa required: Yes
- Vaccinations: Yellow fever required if the traveler is coming from an infected area.
- Currency restrictions for entry exit: check local laws
- Possession of satellite phones are prohibited in India

The following is general information from the website handling the e-visa application. The application fee is \$75.

#### e-Visa India

e-Visa is a facility launched by The Government of India for foreigners travelling to India for the purpose of Tourism, Business or short term medical treatment. Passengers must have a valid passport and a print out of the Visa approval letter sent to their email before leaving the respective country they are travelling from.

## FastTrack Processing:

For Fast Track service you must choose the "Urgent Processing" from the dropdown in the application. You can avail this facility by paying additional charges in case of urgent travels. e-Visa application can be processed on Fast track basis after paying the relevant charges. To avail the expedited service, your travel date must be at least after 72 hours from the time your submit the application. For any assistance you may contact customer care number.

### **Important Note:**

It is extremely important to understand that once an application is initiated or submitted then you must not start or submit another application against the same passport number. Any and all subsequent applications shall be rejected by the Government of India due to redundancy/duplicity. It is strictly advised to finish and complete only one application and not submit more than one application. You shall not be

granted any other visa against the same passport till the time your previous visa is still valid even if any details are incorrect in the visa. Once an application is submitted or visa is granted against a passport, it cannot be cancelled, amended or refunded. Applicants are advised to be utmost careful about the details submitted in the applications and must review before finally making the payment. It is strictly advised not submit more than one applications at the same time and only the same application be completed that was initiated. If there is any query about duplicity/redundancy then you must contact immediately on the 24/7 Customer care number and get it checked before proceeding further to avoid any kind of hassle.

## eVisa Facility

e-Visa is <u>valid for 60 days</u> from the date of arrival. It must be availed within its period of validity. If you are travelling with the purpose of Tourism or Business then it will be valid for two entries and for Medical purpose it will be valid for three entries from the date of the first arrival date in India. It allows a maximum of two visits in a calendar year. The facility is valid for entry through 24 designated Airports (i.e. Ahmedabad, Amritsar, Bagdogra, Bengaluru, Calicut, Chennai, Chandigarh, Cochin, Coimbatore, Delhi, Gaya, Goa, Guwahati, Hyderabad, Jaipur, Kolkata, Lucknow, Mangalore, Mumbai, Nagpur, Pune, Tiruchirapalli, Trivandrum & Varanasi) and 5 designated seaports (i.e. Mumbai, Chennai, Cochin, Goa and Mangalore). However, the foreigner can take exit from any of the authorized Immigration Check Posts (ICPs) in India.

#### **Documents Checklist:**

- 1. Passport must have a validity of at least six months from the date of arrival in India.
- 2. The passport must have at least two blank pages in case stamping needed to be done by the Immigration Officer.
- 3. International Travellers are <u>required to have a return ticket</u> or an onward journey ticket and may be asked at the airport to be furnished.
- 4. Tourists must travel with sufficient money to spend during the stay in India.
- 5. For Business Travel one must have his or her business card or a letter from the company for the purpose of travel.
- 6. For Medical Purpose, a person must have a letter from the Hospital on their letterhead where the treatment is supposed to happen.

#### **Eligibility**

- 1. Applicants of the eligible countries are requested to apply online minimum 4 days in advance of the date of arrival with a window of 180 days.
- 2. <u>Pakistani Passport Holders are not eligible for this facility</u>, they should apply through the local Embassy or Consulate.

- 3. One can avail this facility only on passport, travel documents are not eligible for this scheme
- 4. This facility of not available for Diplomatic or Official passport holders.
- 5. Each Individual must apply separately on their passport. Children travelling on parents' passport are not eligible for this scheme.
- 6. The delivery times are not applicable for Sri Lankan and Chinese Passport Holders. For these nationalities the delivery time is 5 business days in case of urgent processing and 10 business days in case of normal processing.

#### Notes:

- The e-application will walk you through several screens asking for pertinent information including date and place of arrival in India. In addition, they will require the name, nationality, place of birth and country of birth of your mother and father.
- You will need digital photograph of your valid passport page and your face.
  Please note the website only accepts photos only up to 360 kb which is a thumbnail size.
- You are required to provide where you will stay in India and local contact information. Please use the following for:

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