





# **United Arab Emirates**

Visa Options for Bangladeshi Nationals

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# **Related eServices**

**Weblink:** https://u.ae/en/information-and-services/visa-and-emirates-id/do-you-need-an-entry-permit-or-a-visa-to-enter-the-uae

- <u>Apply for eVisa from GCC countries</u> General Directorate of Residency and Foreigners Affairs, Dubai
- <u>Visa services of Etihad Airways</u> Etihad Airways
- <u>Visa services offered by Emirates Airline</u> Emirates Airline
- <u>Visa services of Fly Dubai</u> Fly Dubai
- Visa services of Air Arabia Air Arabia

## Visa-free entry

Citizens of <u>GCC countries</u> do not require a visa or permit or to be sponsored by a national or resident in the UAE. They need to produce their GCC country passport or national ID card at the point of entry into the UAE.

## Visa on arrival

## 30-day visa on arrival

Citizens of some countries do not require advance visa arrangements to enter the UAE and can obtain a visa upon arrival for 30 days with a 10-day grace period for extension. Bangladesh is not included in the list.

## 90-day visa on arrival

Citizens of some countries do not require advance visa arrangements to enter the UAE and can obtain a visa upon arrival for 90 days. Bangladesh is not included in the list.

## Pre-arranged entry permits

Anyone who does not have the privilege of getting a visa-free entry or a visa on arrival will require an entry permit prior to arrival into the UAE and someone to sponsor it.

## What type of entry permit someone needs?

The entry permit you need depends on the purpose of your visit. It could be for:

- tourism
- visit

- transit
- work

## **Requirements for an entry permit**

These are the requirements for an entry permit:

- 1. You need a sponsor to apply for your entry permit. The sponsor could be:
  - an Emirati citizen
  - an expatriate resident with valid residency permit in the UAE
  - a UAE-based airline
  - a UAE-based hotel or tour agent
  - a government entity
  - companies in the private sector or free zones.
- 2. Prospective visitors seeking entry permits are required to have a genuine passport, valid for at least six months.
- 3. A visa ban prohibits a person from entering the country or taking up a new job. Prospective visitors must not have been deported or be banned from entering the UAE in which case, he needs to obtain special permission to re-enter.

# Entry permit and visa policies

The visa and permit system works according to rules and regulations set by Federal Authority for Identity and Citizenship (ICA) and its affiliated Directorates of Residency and Foreigners Affairs in each emirate.

Before you apply for a visa or an entry permit, check if you are eligible for a visa-free entry or to receive a visa on arrival or you need an eVisa prior to travel or an entry permit prearranged by a sponsor based in the UAE.

## **Disclaimer:**

The visa rules are subject to change. The details on this page are just an overview of the general requirements for visas. You are advised to check with the UAE embassies and consulates abroad and/or contact the UAE's Federal Authority for Identity and Citizenship-ICA.

## Validity of entry permits

The validity of entry permits and the time frame within which the visitor should enter the country depends on the type of permit issued. The validity permit for visit visas, tourist visas and/or employment visas is 60 days from the issue date. However, the validity of entry permits for GCC residents is 30 days from the issue date.

96-hours transit visas are valid only for 14 days from the issuance day. Different validity duration applies for multiple entry visas and temporary work permits.

Check your visa validity on eChannels platform of the ICA or on the website of Dubai GDRFA.

**Note:** Visitors and tourists should be aware that it is illegal to work in the UAE with or without pay while being on a visit or tourist visa. According to the UAE's labour and residency laws, a person cannot work if he has not been issued a work permit and an employment visa. Violators may be liable to fines and deportation.

# Types of visas and entry permits (UAE)

Weblink: https://u.ae/information-and-services/visa-and-emirates-id/types-of-visa

## 1. Business visa:

## What is a business visa?

A business visa is part of the Golden Visa system under which foreigners can obtain a longterm visa for themselves and their dependents. It aims to create an attractive environment for businesses and the UAE's economic growth.

# **Eligibility criteria**

Professionals from any country with entrepreneurial experience are eligible to apply for the business visa. An eligible entrepreneur is anyone who has set up a business of his own at some point in his career, and wishes to do so again in the UAE.

# To obtain the business applicants, you must:

- be able to substantiate your experience as an entrepreneur
- have been a majority shareholder of a start-up or a member of its senior leadership
- be willing to relocate to the UAE and legally establish a business in one of the seven emirates
- have a business idea or a business plan that you wish to bring to life in the UAE.

In addition, applicants must successfully pass the requirements of the Federal Authority for Identity and Citizenship, including a background check and health assessment.

Qualifying for the business visa does not guarantee that the applicant will receive the visa. Specialised committees review the application and the attached documents, and grant an approval accordingly. Once approved, the applicant will be required to follow the requirements of the Federal Authority for Identity and Citizenship in order to be issued the visa.

# Applying for business visa

In order to apply for a business visa, you will need to have your nomination approved by an incubator supported by the UAE government (currently, AREA2071 in Dubai and HUB71 in Abu Dhabi). Once your nomination has been approved, you will be invited to apply for the visa through the Federal Authority for Identity and Citizenship. The procedure for nomination is as follows:

- 1. Visit https://business.goldenvisa.ae and create a new account.
- 2. Once your account is verified, log in and apply for nomination.
- 3. Submit your completed application. The process might take up to 30 days for your application to be reviewed.

Note:

- If your nomination is successful, you will receive a link to upload the required documents and complete your application for the visa.
- If your nomination is not approved, please apply again after 90 days.

# **Receiving visa**

Once your nomination has been approved, you will be invited to complete the application for the visa through the Federal Authority for Identity and Citizenship's website. Once completed, you will receive an email with further instructions on how to receive your visa.

If you are residing outside the UAE, you will be given a six-month visa to enter the UAE, explore the opportunities and settle. Before your temporary visa expires, you will be required to convert it into the residency permit.

If you are currently residing in the UAE, you will be given a temporary one-month visa, and will be required to convert it into the residency permit before it expires.

In both cases, you can convert your visas into the residency quickly and conveniently at SERVICES1 in Emirates Towers, Dubai or directly through the Federal Authority for Identity and Citizenship.

# Benefits of business visa

Once the visa is issued, the applicant is allowed to:

- enter the country for a period of six months with a multiple-entry visa, to facilitate the procedures of establishing the business
- • nominate up to three of his business's senior staff to obtain residency.

All visa holders will be allowed to sponsor their dependents subject to the conditions and requirements as set out by the Federal Authority for Identity and Citizenship.

# 2.Tourist visa

Depending on your plan, tourist visas to the UAE can be issued for 30 days or 90 days for single or multiple entries. Tourist visas can be extended for 30 days twice, without the need to leave the country.

# Whom is a tourist visa for?

Tourist visa is for those who are not eligible for visa on arrival or a visa-free entry to the UAE. Tourist visa can be obtained for eligible individual tourists from around the world. Females below the age of 18 are not eligible to apply for this type of visa unless they are travelling with their parents.

According to a Cabinet resolution passed in July 2018, children under the age of 18 years who are accompanying adults, can get a free visa for their visit from 15 July to 15 September each year.

## What is the validity of a tourist visa?

Depending on your plan, tourist visas to the UAE can be issued for 30 days or 90 days duration, single entry or multiple entry.

# Tourist visas through airlines

Each airline has some conditions, which must be met in order for your visa to be arranged by them. One of the conditions is flying with them. For more updated and specific information, check the following UAE-based airlines for visa types, facilities, terms and conditions:

- <u>Visa services from Etihad Airways</u> Etihad Airways
- <u>Visa Services offered by Emirates Airline</u> Emirates Airline
- Visa services from Fly Dubai Fly Dubai
- Visa services from Air Arabia Air Arabia

## Tourist visas through agencies and hotels

Licensed travel agents and hotels in the UAE can arrange a tourist visa for you provided you purchase the ticket through them and maintain hotel reservation with the specific hotel.

You can also contact travel agencies in your country for any tourist packages available to the UAE in collaboration with a local tour operator.

It is important to check the authenticity of travel agents you are dealing with and refrain from paying or sending copies of your official documents until after you are 100 per cent sure the tour operator is genuine. You can seek the help of the UAE embassy in your country for verification.

**Note:** The UAE embassies do not issue tourist visas. In order to get a tourist visa to the UAE, you need to get in touch with one of the UAE-based airlines, a tour agency or a hotel (where you intend to stay) in the UAE who will apply for visa on your behalf to the official visa-issuing authorities in the UAE.

## Renewing or extending tourist visa

All types of visit and tourist visas can be extended for 30 days twice, upon applying for it and after successful approval by the relevant authority. This can be done without the need to leave the country.

Visitors and tourists can apply for the second renewal before the expiry of the first one against AED 600 each time of renewal.

Visa overstayers who do not renew, as above, will have to pay AED 100 fine for each day of their overstay, to be calculated from 10 days after the visa expiry.

However, the new rule for extension does not apply on the following categories:

- visitors and tourists who are residents in GCC countries
- residents accompanying GCC nationals
- those on special entry permits
- those on 96-hour permit for special missions.

# 3.Patient and his/her companion entry permits

Foreign patients can enter the UAE for treatment under the sponsorship of the medical establishment where he would be seeking treatment. The entry permit of the patient's companion can be extended only once provided that a duly certified medical report states that the patient needs to continue treatment and that his companion is needed in the UAE.

# 3.a.Patient entry permit

Foreign patients can enter the UAE for treatment under sponsorship of medical establishment and government and private hospitals. The sponsor (medical establishment) takes the responsibility of processing entry permits for treatment upon the patient's request. Please find more information about the medical establishments and healthcare providers in the UAE.

# <u>In Dubai:</u>

General Directorate of Residency and Foreigners Affairs in Dubai grants entry permit for treatment on the sponsorship of medical establishments (public and private) to foreigners wishing to enter the UAE for treatment. Permits are of two types:

- Medical Treatment Entry Permit Single Entry: entitling its holder to enter the UAE within 60 days from the date of issue and stay for a period of 90 days from the date of entry; it is extendable and for single entry only.
- <u>Medical Treatment Entry Permit Multiple Entry</u>: entitling its holder to enter the UAE within 60 days from the date of issue and stay for a period of 90 days from the date of entry; it is extendable and for multiple entries.

The entry permit for treatment can be extended only once provided that a duly certified medical report states that the patient needs to continue treatment.

# **Required documents**

The following documents are needed to process the entry permit:

- Patient's passport copy
- A letter from a registered hospital explaining reasons of visit
- Patient's health insurance
- Financial security.

# Conditions

The sponsor must be a hospital licensed and registered in the UAE

# In Abu Dhabi and the Northern Emirates:

Federal Authority for Identity and Citizenship (ICA) provides treatment and entry permit services via the eChannels platform. ICA covers the emirates of Abu Dhabi, Sharjah, Ajman, Umm Al Quwain, Ras Al Khaimah and Fujairah. The following are the services related to patient's entry to the UAE:

• Single entry treatment visa

- Single entry treatment visa for family group
- Multiple entry treatment visa
- Multiple entry treatment visa for family group

# 3.b.Patient companion entry permit

# <u>In Dubai:</u>

General Directorate of Residency and Foreigners Affairs grants entry permit to foreigner patient's companion. Permits are of two types:

- Single entry permit for a patient's companion entitling its holder to enter the UAE within 60 days from the date of issue and stay for a period of 90 days from the date of entry. It is extendable on the basis of a duly certified medical report and valid for single entry only.
- Multiple entry permit for patient's companion entitling its holder to enter the UAE within 60 days from the date of issue and stay for a period of 90 days from the date of entry. It is extendable and for multiple entries.

The companion's entry permit can be extended only once provided that a duly certified medical report states that the patient needs to continue treatment and that his companion is needed in the UAE.

# **Required documents**

The following documents are needed to process the entry permit:

- Companion's passport copy
- Companion's health insurance
- Financial security.

## Conditions

The issuance of the entry permit is subject to the following conditions:

- The sponsor must be a hospital licensed and registered in the UAE
- The companion must enter with the patient having a similar entry permit.

## In Abu Dhabi and the Northern Emirates:

Federal Authority for Identity and Citizenship (ICA) provides entry permit services for a patient's companion via the eChannels platform. ICA covers the emirates of Abu Dhabi, Sharjah, Ajman, Umm Al Quwain, Ras Al Khaimah and Fujairah. The following are the services related to the companion's entry to the UAE:

- Single entry patient companion visa
- Single entry patient companion visa for family group
- Multiple entry patient companion visa
- Multiple entry patient companion visa for family group.

## 4. eVisa for GCC residents

GCC residents and their companions need to apply online for a visa to enter the UAE. The visa is valid for 30 days and is extendable once for 30 days.

GCC residents and their companions need to apply online for a visa and must obtain the same before arriving in the UAE.

- Apply for an entry permit (eVisa) to Dubai if you are an expatriate resident of one of the GCC countries GDRFA Dubai
- Apply for an entry permit (eVisa) to UAE if you are an expatriate resident of one of the GCC countries Federal Authority for Identity & Citizenship.

# **Notes and Conditions**

- eVisa will be sent to you to your registered email address once your application is approved
- Application for GCC expatriate residents and companions travelling with GCC citizens will not be approved if the sponsor is not travelling along with them
- GCC residents' entry permit is valid for 30 days from the date of issue and they are allowed to stay for 30 days from the date of entry. The visa is extendable once for 30 days
- Entry permit for companions travelling with GCC citizens is valid for 60 days from the date of issue and they are allowed to stay for 60 days from the date of entry. The visa is extendable once for 60 days
- Upon arrival, if the GCC residence visa is found to be expired or cancelled, he will not be granted entry
- If the profession of the GCC resident is found to be changed after the issuance of his entry permit, the entry permit holder will not be granted entry
- GCC residency must be valid for at least 3 months from the arrival date
- The passport of GCC residents must be valid at least 3 months from the arrival date.

# 5. Retirement visa for UAE residents

Retired residents over the age of 55 can get a long-term residence visa for a period of 5 years. The visa may be renewed if the eligibility criteria are met.

In September 2018, the UAE Cabinet approved a law to provide retired residents over the age of 55 a long-term visa for a period of 5 years. The visa may be renewed if the eligibility criteria is met.

For a retiree to be eligible for a 5-year renewable retirement visa, he must fulfill one of the following criteria:

- invest in a property worth AED 2 million
- have financial savings of no less than AED 1 million
- have an active income of no less than AED 20,000 per month

The visa is valid for 5 years with the possibility of renewing it if they meet the eligibility criteria.

# 6. Transit visa

The UAE issues two types of transit visas: one for 48 hours which is free of charge, and another for 96 hours for AED 50 only. Transit visas are sponsored only by the UAE-based airlines and must be processed and approved before entering the UAE. Both types of transit visas are not extendable.

## **Related eServices**

- Transit visa from Etihad Airways Etihad Airways
- Transit visa from Emirates Airline Emirates Airline

## Who needs a transit visa?

If you are not one of the nationalities that are eligible for visa on arrival or a visa-free entry to the UAE, then you need a transit visa.

#### Who can apply for your transit visa?

Only the UAE based-airlines you are travelling through can arrange your transit visa prior to your journey. If your trip is through a travel agency, the agency can also help you get the visa, but all visas are routed through the airline. Airline agents can apply online for transit visas through one of the following means:

- the eChannels portal
- the ICA UAE eChannels app for Apple and Android
- online channels offered by the relevant General Directorate of Residency and Foreigners Affairs (GDRFA) in each emirate.

## **Duration of transit visa**

Transit visa is issued either for 48 hours or for 96 hours. Please note that once a 48 hours visa is issued, it cannot be extended to 96 hours.

## Transit visas for 48 hours

Transit visas for 48 hours are issued free of charge to passengers transiting through the UAE's airports. You need to apply for the visa in advance through a UAE-based airline. This visa is not extendable, nor renewable. The validity of the visa is 48 hours from entry into the UAE, and you must leave the UAE within 48 hours from arrival.

To get a transit visa, you must have:

- a passport or travel document with a minimum validity of three months
- a photo of self against a white background
- an onward ticket booking to a 3rd destination, other than the one you are coming from.

## Transit visas for 96 hours

Transit visas for 96 hours are issued against a fee of AED 50 to passengers transiting through the UAE's airports. You need to apply for the visa in advance through a UAE-based airline. This visa is not extendable, nor renewable. The validity of the visa is 96 hours from entry into the UAE, and you must leave the UAE within 96 hours from arrival.

To get a transit visa, you must have:

- a passport or travel document with a minimum validity of six months
- a photo of self against a white background
- an onward ticket booking to a 3rd destination, other than the one you are coming from.

# Important note

No fees or additional amounts can be imposed by any federal, local or private entity. A departure fee of AED 30 is levied on each passenger passing through the UAE's airports.

# **Useful links:**

- Transit guide Abu Dhabi Airports
- International connections Abu Dhabi International Airport
- Check the requirements for your UAE visa Etihad Airways
- How to apply for your UAE visa Emirates Airline

# 7. Student visa

A student visa is issued to expatriate students who are over 18 years and residing in the UAE. Outstanding students can get a long-term visa of 5 years.

**Related eServices** 

- Entry permit for study Ministry of Interior
- Extend entry permit for study Ministry of Interior
- Entry permit for training, studying, rehabilitation, or similar purpose GDRFA-Dubai

## Long-term visa for outstanding students

On 24 November 2018, the UAE government approved a decision to grant a 5-year visa to outstanding students.

## Eligibility conditions for a 5-year visa are:

- School students must graduate with a grade of at least 95 per cent from secondary schools whether public or private.
- University students must graduate with a distinctive GPA of at least 3.75 from universities within and outside the country.

Visa benefits will also include families of the outstanding students.

## Who is a student visa for?

A student's visa is for a university or a college student studying in the UAE. The student must be at least 18 years of age.

## Key requirements of a student's visa

In order to secure a freshman student's visa, the applicant must obtain an official admission letter from the university he is studying at. For older students, a certificate of continuation of study is needed. Other requirements include:

- passing medical fitness test
- a visa sponsor, either the university itself or a parent or relative

• approval of the relevant General Directorate of Residency and Foreigners Affairs (GDRFA).

## What is the term of validity of the student's visa?

Currently, a student's visa is given for a duration of one year, at a time, renewable for a similar period upon an official proof of continuation of a study issued from the relevant higher educational institute in the UAE where the student is admitted.

#### Who can provide a student's visa?

Student's visa in the UAE can be secured either by residents sponsoring their children or by one of the accredited universities/colleges in the UAE. Visa applications are processed through visa authorities represented by the relevant General Directorate of Residency and Foreigners Affairs in each emirate.

#### How can universities and colleges secure a visa for their students?

Accredited universities and colleges in the UAE can secure a visa for their students whether international students or students already residing in the UAE. Students should refer to terms and conditions listed in each university or college to know specific requirements for admission and visa process.

Admission in one of the UAE universities does not guarantee that visa will be issued. Visa issuance is subject to certain requirements, which include passing a medical fitness test, a security check and the approval of the GDRFA in the relevant emirate. These are the available channels to apply for a student's visa in the UAE.

## How can UAE expatriate residents secure a student's visa for their children?

UAE laws do not allow a resident expatriate to continue sponsoring their male children above the age of 18. An exception is given to male students who continue their studies in one of the higher educational institutes in the UAE or abroad. Therefore, male students over the age 18 can remain on their parent's residence visa sponsorship as long as they provide an evidence of attendance at a higher educational institute for a minimum of one year's course. Expatriate parents may continue to sponsor their female children for study, regardless of their children's age.

## Note: New rules for children's visa sponsored by parents

Starting from 21 October 2018, students who graduate from their universities or secondary schools or complete 18 years of age will be granted a one-year residence visa, renewable for another year from the graduation date or on completing 18 years.

For this type of visa, parents are not required to place bank deposits. The visa will cost AED100 for first time issuing and renewal.

To avail this service, parents must present duly attested graduation certificates from universities or schools, whether inside the country or abroad.

#### 8. Getting a work and residency permit

**Related eServices** 

- Get residency permit/visa from the eChannels platform from all emirates except Dubai (log in needed)- Federal Authority For Identity and Citizenship
- Get residency permit/visa from Dubai General Directorate of Residency and Foreigners Affairs Dubai

# Work permit for a new job

Ministry of Human Resources and Emiratisation (MoHRE) issues work permits. The employer needs to apply to MoHRE for the work permit.

Under Article 1 of Ministerial Decree No. 766 of 2015, an employee whose employment was terminated because of expiry of his contract, whether limited or non-limited can get a new work permit when he wishes to join new employment.

An employee can also get a new work permit for all limited and non-limited contracts if:

- it is determined that the employer has failed to meet the legal and contractual obligations, including but not limited to failure to pay wages for more than 60 days
- MoHRE confirms that the employer has not provided work due to the firm being inactive for more than two months and if the worker reports to the ministry during this period
- the final ruling in a labour case (which MoHRE referred to the Labour Court on the basis of a complaint) is in favour of the employee and where the case pertains to early termination or outstanding wages which are less than two months of dues for end of service.

If the employee is in the UAE, he must maintain a status which allows him to transfer his residency to a different sponsor.

## **Related links:**

- Ministerial Resolution No.(764) of 2015 on standard employment contracts
- Job offers and contracts services MoHRE

## New permits for unskilled workers

A new permit can be granted when both the worker and the employer mutually consent to terminating the contract during the term provided that the worker has completed at least six months' employment.

The ministerial decree notes that a new permit can be issued to a worker whose employer terminated him unfairly, without the need to complete six months.

## New permits for skilled workers

The requirement of six months' employment is waived if workers qualify for the skill set series 1, 2 or 3 as classified by the ministerial decree, which denotes holding a university degree, post-secondary diploma or high school diploma respectively. This is applicable if the employee fulfills his contractual commitments.

## **Related links from MoHRE:**

• Ministerial Decree No. 766 of 2015 on rules and conditions for granting a permit to a worker for employment by a new employer

## Is there a maximum age for expatriates to get a work permit?

The UAE's Labour Law No. 8 of 1980, as amended does not specify a particular age to terminate employment contracts on the basis of age or seniority. As per Ministry of Human Resources and Emiratisation (MoHRE), the fees for issuing an initial approval for a work permit for those who are 65 and above is AED 5,000 every two years.

#### Procuring a work visa

Procuring a work visa involves MoHRE and the General Directorate of Residency and Foreigners Affairs (GDRFA) of the emirate where a person is employed.

The process starts with procuring a work permit for an expatriate from MoHRE. The work permit allows the holder to enter the UAE for employment and it is valid for two months from the date of issue.

After the employee enters the UAE on the basis of the work permit, the sponsoring company arranges to complete the formalities of medical testing, obtaining UAE Resident Identity (Emirates ID) Card, Labour Card and stamping the work residency permit on his passport within a scope of 60 days. The work residency permit on the employee's passport denotes that he is sponsored by the company he is employed by.

After this process, the employee can sponsor his family members and bring them into the country.

#### Work visas - offshore

To expedite the process of work visas, MoHRE and Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation have set up centres outside the UAE. At the centres, employees would be able to know their rights, duties and terms and conditions of employment and all privileges they are entitled to, in the language they understand. This mechanism ensures a transparent contractual relation between employers and employees and prevents any fraudulent attempt to replace job offers upon the arrival of the employee in the UAE.

#### Visa and entry permit services Dubai

# **1. Request for a long visit visa**

Weblink:https://gdrfad.gov.ae/en/newservices?id=CS03.03&isResidency=False&lang=en&level=3

## 1.a. Long Term Visit Single Entry – Leisure

- 1- Receipt of bank guarantee refund
- 2 Partnership Contract
- 3 Sponsored Passport
- 4 Labor Contract
- 5 Consanguinity Proof
- 6 PRO card / delegate letter
- 7 Salary Certificate
- 8 Establishment Card
- 9 Sponsor Passport

- 10 Health Insurance card
- 11 Sponsored Personal Photo

- 1 Inside The Country Fee 650 AED
- 2 Service Fee 50 AED
- 3 Warranty 1,000 AED
- 4 Health Insurance Fee 90 AED
- 5 Warranty Service Fee 20 AED
- 6 Urgent Service Fee 100 AED
- 7 Application Fee 100 AED
- 8 Service Fee 15 AED
- 9 Warranty Collection Fee 20 AED
- 10 Mvisa Fee 20 AED
- 11 Innovation Fee 10 AED
- 12 Warranty Refund Fee 20 AED
- 13 Issuance Fee 450 AED
- 14 Knowledge Fee 10 AED

# 1.b. Long Term Visit Multiple Entry – Leisure

- 1- Receipt of bank guarantee refund
- 2 Salary Certificate
- 3 Sponsored Passport
- 4 Health Insurance card
- 5 PRO card / delegate letter
- 6 Sponsored Personal Photo
- 7 Consanguinity Proof
- 8 Sponsor Passport
- 9 Labor Contract
- 10 Partnership Contract
- 11 Establishment Card

- 1 Inside The Country Fee 650 AED
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- 4 Health Insurance Fee 90 AED
- 5 Warranty Service Fee 20 AED
- 6 Urgent Service Fee 100 AED
- 7 Application Fee 100 AED
- 8 Issuance Fee 1,400 AED
- 9 Service Fee 15 AED
- 10 Mvisa Fee 20 AED
- 11 Warranty Collection Fee 20 AED
- 12 Innovation Fee 10 AED

- 13 Warranty Refund Fee 20 AED
- 14 Knowledge Fee 10 AED

# 1.c.Long Term Visit Single Entry - Work (non MOL)

- 1 Sponsor Passport
- 2 Salary Certificate
- 3 Labor Contract
- 4 PRO card / delegate letter
- 5 Partnership Contract
- 6 MOHRE Initial Approval or Renewed Work Permit
- 7 Sponsored Passport
- 8 Work Permit
- 9 Establishment Card
- 10 Sponsored Personal Photo
- 11 Health Insurance card

## Fees:

- 1 Inside The Country Fee 650 AED
- 2 Service Fee 15 AED
- 3 Mvisa Fee 20 AED
- 4 Service Fee 50 AED
- 5 Innovation Fee 10 AED
- 6 Health Insurance Fee 90 AED
- 7 Urgent Service Fee 100 AED
- 8 Application Fee 100 AED
- 9 Issuance Fee 450 AED
- 10 Knowledge Fee 10 AED

## 1.d. Long Term Visit Multiple Entry - Work

- 1 Work Permit
- 2 Sponsored Personal Photo
- 3 Partnership Contract
- 4 Sponsor Passport
- 5 Establishment Card
- 6 Labor Contract
- 7 Sponsored Passport
- 8 Salary Certificate
- 9 Health Insurance card
- 10 PRO card / delegate letter

- 1 Inside The Country Fee 650 AED
- 2 Service Fee 15 AED
- 3 Mvisa Fee 20 AED

- 4 Service Fee 50 AED
- 5 Innovation Fee 10 AED
- 6 Health Insurance Fee 90 AED
- 7 Urgent Service Fee 100 AED
- 8 Application Fee 100 AED
- 9 Issuance Fee 450 AED
- 10 Knowledge Fee 10 AED

# 1.e.Long Term Visit Multiple Entry - Work (non MOL)

- 1 Health Insurance card
- 2 Sponsored Personal Photo

# Fees:

- 1 Inside The Country Fee 650 AED
- 2 Service Fee 15 AED
- 3 Mvisa Fee 20 AED
- 4 200 AED
- 5 Service Fee 50 AED
- 6 Innovation Fee 10 AED
- 7 Health Insurance Fee 90 AED
- 8 Urgent Service Fee 100 AED
- 9 Application Fee 100 AED
- 10 Issuance Fee 1,400 AED
- 11 Knowledge Fee 10 AED

# 2. Request a short visit visa

## 2.a.Short Term Visit Single Entry - Services 14 days

- 1 Payment Receipt
- 2 PRO card / delegate letter
- 3 Trade License
- 4 Establishment Card
- 5 Receipt of bank guarantee refund
- 6 Sponsored Passport
- 7 Sponsored Personal Photo

- 1 Service Fee 15 AED
- 2 Mvisa Fee 20 AED
- 3 Service Fee 50 AED
- 4 Innovation Fee 10 AED
- 5 Urgent Service Fee 100 AED
- 6 Issuance Fee 100 AED

- 7 Application Fee 100 AED
- 8 Health insurance fees 40 AED

# 2.b.Short Term Visit Single Entry - Festival

- 1 Health Insurance card
- 2 Letter from Event Organizer
- 3 Receipt of bank guarantee refund
- 4 Sponsored Personal Photo
- 5 PRO card / delegate letter
- 6 Sponsored Passport
- 7 Payment Receipt

## Fees:

- 1 Service Fee 15 AED
- 2 Inside The Country Fee 650 AED
- 3 Mvisa Fee 20 AED
- 4 Service Fee 50 AED
- 5 Innovation Fee 10 AED
- 6 Urgent Service Fee 100 AED
- 7 Issuance Fee 100 AED
- 8 Application Fee 100 AED
- 9 Knowledge Fee 10 AED
- 10 Health insurance fees 40 AED

# 2.c. VISA- 96

- 1 Sponsored Passport
- 2 Payment Receipt
- 3 Sponsored Personal Photo

## Fees:

- 1 Service Fee 15 AED
- 2 Service Fee 50 AED
- 3 Urgent Service Fee 100 AED

# 2.d. Short Term Visit Single Entry - Conference

- 1 PRO card / delegate letter
- 2 Receipt of bank guarantee refund
- 3 Sponsored Personal Photo
- 4 Health Insurance card
- 5 Letter from Event Organizer
- 6 Payment Receipt
- 7 Sponsored Passport

- 1 Service Fee 15 AED
- 2 Inside The Country Fee 650 AED
- 3 Mvisa Fee 20 AED
- 4 Service Fee 50 AED
- 5 Innovation Fee 10 AED
- 6 Urgent Service Fee 100 AED
- 7 Issuance Fee 100 AED
- 8 Application Fee 100 AED
- 9 Knowledge Fee 10 AED
- 10 Health insurance fees 40 AED

# 2.e. Short Term Visit Single Entry - Exhibition

- 1 Receipt of bank guarantee refund
- 2 Payment Receipt
- 3 Sponsored Personal Photo
- 4 PRO card / delegate letter
- 5 Health Insurance card
- 6 Letter from Event Organizer
- 7 Sponsored Passport

# Fees:

- 1 Inside The Country Fee 650 AED
- 2 Service Fee 15 AED
- 3 Mvisa Fee 20 AED
- 4 Service Fee 50 AED
- 5 Innovation Fee 10 AED
- 6 Urgent Service Fee 100 AED
- 7 Issuance Fee 100 AED
- 8 Application Fee 100 AED
- 9 Health insurance fees 40 AED
- 10 Knowledge Fee 10 AED

# 2.f. Short Term Visit Single Entry - Leisure

- 1 Payment Receipt
- 2 Labor Contract
- 3 Sponsored Personal Photo
- 4 PRO card / delegate letter
- 5 Receipt of bank guarantee refund
- 6 Salary Certificate
- 7 Consanguinity Proof
- 8 Sponsor Passport
- 9 Sponsored Passport
- 10 Book a one-way ticket within 96 hours

- 1 Inside The Country Fee 650 AED
- 2 Service Fee 50 AED
- 3 Warranty 1,000 AED
- 4 Warranty Service Fee 20 AED
- 5 Urgent Service Fee 100 AED
- 6 Issuance Fee 100 AED
- 7 Application Fee 100 AED
- 8 Service Fee 15 AED
- 9 Mvisa Fee 20 AED
- 10 Warranty Collection Fee 20 AED
- 11 Innovation Fee 10 AED
- 12 Warranty Refund Fee 20 AED
- 13 Knowledge Fee 10 AED
- 14 Health insurance fees 40 AED

# 2.g. Short Term Visit Single Entry - Work

- 1 Receipt of bank guarantee refund
- 2 Trade License
- 3 Payment Receipt
- 4 Sponsored Passport
- 5 Sponsored Personal Photo
- 6 PRO card / delegate letter
- 7 Establishment Card

# Fees:

- 1 Service Fee 15 AED
- 2 Inside The Country Fee 650 AED
- 3 Mvisa Fee 20 AED
- 4 Service Fee 50 AED
- 5 Innovation Fee 10 AED
- 6 Urgent Service Fee 100 AED
- 7 Issuance Fee 100 AED
- 8 Application Fee 100 AED
- 9 Knowledge Fee 10 AED

# 2.h.Short Term Visit Multiple Entry - Festival

- 1 Sponsored Passport
- 2 PRO card / delegate letter
- 3 Payment Receipt
- 4 Letter from Event Organizer
- 5 Sponsored Personal Photo
- 6 Receipt of bank guarantee refund
- 7 Health Insurance card

- 1 Service Fee 15 AED
- 2 Inside The Country Fee 650 AED
- 3 Mvisa Fee 20 AED
- 4 Service Fee 50 AED
- 5 Innovation Fee 10 AED
- 6 Urgent Service Fee 100 AED
- 7 Application Fee 100 AED
- 8 Issuance Fee 400 AED
- 9 Knowledge Fee 10 AED
- 10 Health insurance fees 40 AED

# 2.i. Short Term Visit Multiple Entry - Conference

- 1 Health Insurance card
- 2 Payment Receipt
- 3 Sponsored Passport
- 4 Sponsored Personal Photo
- 5 PRO card / delegate letter
- 6 Letter from Event Organizer
- 7 Receipt of bank guarantee refund

# Fees:

- 1 Inside The Country Fee 650 AED
- 2 Service Fee 15 AED
- 3 Mvisa Fee 20 AED
- 4 Service Fee 50 AED
- 5 Innovation Fee 10 AED
- 6 Urgent Service Fee 100 AED
- 7 Application Fee 100 AED
- 8 Issuance Fee 400 AED
- 9 Health insurance fees 40 AED
- 10 Knowledge Fee 10 AED

# 2.j. Short Term Visit Multiple Entry - Exhibition

- 1 Sponsored Passport
- 2 PRO card / delegate letter
- 3 Sponsored Personal Photo
- 4 Letter from Event Organizer
- 5 Health Insurance card
- 6 Payment Receipt
- 7 Receipt of bank guarantee refund

- 1 Inside The Country Fee 650 AED
- 2 Service Fee 15 AED
- 3 Mvisa Fee 20 AED
- 4 Service Fee 50 AED
- 5 Innovation Fee 10 AED
- 6 Urgent Service Fee 100 AED
- 7 Application Fee 100 AED
- 8 Issuance Fee 400 AED
- 9 Knowledge Fee 10 AED
- 10 Health insurance fees 40 AED

# 2.k. Short Term Visit Single Entry - Multiple Entry

- 1 Sponsor Passport
- 2 Consanguinity Proof
- 3 Sponsored Passport
- 4 Sponsored Personal Photo
- 5 Receipt of bank guarantee refund
- 6 PRO card / delegate letter
- 7 Labor Contract
- 8 Salary Certificate
- 9 Payment Receipt

Fees:

- 1 Inside The Country Fee 650 AED
- 2 Service Fee 50 AED
- 3 Warranty 1,000 AED
- 4 Warranty Service Fee 20 AED
- 5 Urgent Service Fee 100 AED
- 6 Application Fee 100 AED
- 7 Service Fee 15 AED
- 8 Mvisa Fee 20 AED
- 9 Warranty Collection Fee 20 AED
- 10 Innovation Fee 10 AED
- 11 Warranty Refund Fee 20 AED
- 12 Issuance Fee 400 AED
- 13 Knowledge Fee 10 AED
- 14 Health insurance fees 40 AED

## 2.1. Short Term Visit Multiple Entry - Seminar

- 1 Sponsored Passport
- 2 Payment Receipt
- 3 Letter from Event Organizer
- 4 Sponsored Personal Photo
- 5 Receipt of bank guarantee refund

- 6 PRO card / delegate letter
- 7 Health Insurance card

- 1 Service Fee 15 AED
- 2 Inside The Country Fee 650 AED
- 3 Mvisa Fee 20 AED
- 4 Service Fee 50 AED
- 5 Innovation Fee 10 AED
- 6 Urgent Service Fee 100 AED
- 7 Application Fee 100 AED
- 8 Issuance Fee 400 AED
- 9 Health insurance fees 40 AED
- 10 Knowledge Fee 10 AED

# 2.m. Medical Treatment Entry Permit - Single Entry

- 1 Sponsored Personal Photo
- 2 Receipt of bank guarantee refund
- 3 Establishment Card
- 4 Sponsored Passport
- 5 Trade License
- 6 Health Insurance card
- 7 Medical Reports
- 8 Payment Receipt

## Fees:

- 1 Inside The Country Fee 650 AED
- 2 Service Fee 15 AED
- 3 Mvisa Fee 20 AED
- 4 Service Fee 50 AED
- 5 Innovation Fee 10 AED
- 6 Urgent Service Fee 100 AED
- 7 Issuance Fee 450 AED
- 8 Application Fee 100 AED
- 9 Health insurance fees 40 AED

## 2.n. Medical Treatment Entry Permit - Multiple Entry

- 1 Medical Reports
- 2 Payment Receipt
- 3 Receipt of bank guarantee refund
- 4 Health Insurance card
- 5 Establishment Card
- 6 Trade License

- 7 Sponsored Personal Photo
- 8 Sponsored Passport

- 1 Service Fee 15 AED
- 2 Issuance Fee 1,300 AED
- 3 Inside The Country Fee 650 AED
- 4 Mvisa Fee 20 AED
- 5 Service Fee 50 AED
- 6 Innovation Fee 10 AED
- 7 Urgent Service Fee 100 AED
- 8 Application Fee 100 AED
- 9 Health insurance fees 40 AED

# 2.o. Medical Treatment Companion Entry Permit- Multiple Entry

- 1 Health Insurance card
- 2 Payment Receipt
- 3 Establishment Card
- 4 Receipt of bank guarantee refund
- 5 Trade License
- 6 Medical Reports
- 7 Sponsored Personal Photo
- 8 Sponsored Passport

## Fees:

- 1 Service Fee 15 AED
- 2 Issuance Fee 1,300 AED
- 3 Inside The Country Fee 650 AED
- 4 Mvisa Fee 20 AED
- 5 Service Fee 50 AED
- 6 Innovation Fee 10 AED
- 7 Urgent Service Fee 100 AED
- 8 Application Fee 100 AED
- 9 Health insurance fees 40 AED

## 2.p.Medical Treatment Companion Entry Permit- Single Entry

- 1 Establishment Card
- 2 Receipt of bank guarantee refund
- 3 Health Insurance card
- 4 Medical Reports
- 5 Sponsored Personal Photo
- 6 Trade License
- 7 Sponsored Passport
- 8 Payment Receipt

- 1 Service Fee 15 AED
- 2 Inside The Country Fee 650 AED
- 3 Mvisa Fee 20 AED
- 4 Service Fee 50 AED
- 5 Innovation Fee 10 AED
- 6 Urgent Service Fee 100 AED
- 7 Application Fee 100 AED
- 8 Issuance Fee 450 AED
- 9 Health insurance fees 40 AED

# **Types of visas Dubai**

Weblink: https://www.visitdubai.com/en/plan-your-trip/visa-information

# 1.Tourist visa:

The following visa types are available:

- Tourist Visa 30 days validity with single or multiple entry
- Long Term Tourist Visa 90 days validity with single entry
- Long Term Visit Visa 90 days validity with multiple entry
- Service Visa 14 days validity with single entry

please note visas are valid for entry to the UAE up to 60 days from the date of issue.

Who can apply for a visa on your behalf?

- Airlines such as Emirates, FlyDubai, Etihad Airways and Air Arabia
- Five, four and three star hotels where you have booked a stay
- Licensed travel agents or tour operators with whom you have arranged a trip. Please be sure to check the authenticity of travel agents before sharing any details and documentation.
- Friends or relatives who are residing in the UAE
- Companies or organisations

# **Required documents:**

- Passports with at least six months validity prior to you date of travel to Dubai. Passports must also be machine readable handwritten passports will not be accepted.
- Coloured photographs
- Confirmed airline booking
- Application form or additional documents depending on visa type

# 2.Work visa:

# **Required documents:**

- Anyone is eligible to come and work in the UAE, provided they have a valid work visa
- Your employer will need to apply for your work visa. The duration and validity of this are subject to the terms of your employment contract
- You will require a passport valid for at least six months at the time of entry, recent colour photographs with a white background and other documents please check the link below.
- if you are already in the UAE, you can apply for a change of status or can exit the country and

For more information, contact your employer or select the relevant service on the GDRFAD portal

# 3.Transit/Stopover

# **Requirement documents:**

- Transit visas are available for all passport holders, from 48 to 96 hours.
- Visas are valid for entry to the UAE up to 30 days from the date of issue.
- Passengers must have a valid onward flight booking outside of the UAE and a valid hotel booking for the duration of the stay in the country. You will need to show copies of these bookings.
- It's advisable to plan ahead and apply for visas in advance of booking your stopover and transit through Dubai.

This type of visa can only be provided by airlines.

- Visa services offered by Emirates Airline
- Visa services of flydubai
- Visa services of Etihad Airways
- Visa services of Air Arabia

# Getting a visa for Abu Dhabi

Weblink:<u>https://www.tamm.abudhabi/en/aspects-of-</u> life/visaemiratesid/entryresidencypermits/VisaRequirements/getting-a-visa-for-abu-dhabi

# **1. Gulf Cooperation Countries**

GCC citizens can enter UAE from any port of entry by providing their GCC country passport or ID card. They do not need to apply for a visa or entry permit.

GCC residents and accompanying helpers must obtain an entry permit through the Ministry of Interior website, before coming to Abu Dhabi.

# 2. Visa on Arrival

Citizens of EU and other countries can obtain the entry visa on arrival to Abu Dhabi. To view the complete list of these countries, please visit Etihad Airways website.

The list is subject to change from time to time. It is advisable to check with the UAE embassy abroad or the airline company before travelling to Abu Dhabi.

# 3. Entry Permits

Citizens of other countries, not included in the list Exempted countries, need to get an entry permit through a sponsor to come to Abu Dhabi. The sponsor can be:

- Tourism establishments
- Hotels
- Airlines
- A company based in Abu Dhabi
- An individual (UAE national, or an expatriate who is already residing in the country)

The entry permits are issued according to the purpose of the visit

# 3.a. Visit Entry Permit

Companies operating in UAE, or Emiratis or expatriate residents may issue visit entry permits for their family members of first and second degree. The permit can be issued for 30 or 90 days. If the visitor is a friend, he/she can be sponsored by UAE nationals, only.

# 3.b. Tourism Entry Permit

Tourists can get a visa through:

- UAE embassy.
- Hotels in UAE.
- Accredited travel agencies.
- Airlines companies.

The entry permit is valid for 30 days and extendable only once based on the approval of GDRFA.

## **3.c.** Transit Permit

Airport authorities issue transit permits to individuals stopping at the Abu Dhabi Airport for a period of time ranging from 8 hours to 4 days.

The permit is valid for 14 days from the issuance date. The permit is non-renewable.

## 4. Temporary Work Permit

Expatriates can enter the country on a temporary work permit to work or complete a project during a specific time frame.

The permit is valid for 90 days and can be extended for a similar period.

# 5. Entry Permit for Studying

These types of entry permits are useful for students joining short term courses in one of the licensed universities, colleges or academic and research institutions in UAE.

The permit is valid for 60 days and can be extended twice for a similar period.

# 6. Entry Permit for Medical Treatment

Patients can apply for a 60-day entry permit extendable once for a similar period. The entry permit must be sponsored by one of the hospitals in UAE.

# 7. Entry Permit for Exhibitions, Festivals or Conferences

Businesses and individuals willing to attend an exhibition or a conference held in UAE can submit a request for this type of permit. The prospective attendees must be sponsored by an entity licensed by Department of Culture and Tourism.

The permit is non-extendable and is valid for 30 days only.

# 8. Multiple-entry Permits

Business visitors partnering with a multinational or a local company in UAE, can get a non-renewable visa, which is valid for six months from the date of issuance.

# 9. Employment Residency Visa

Individuals, who have received an employment contract from a private or public organisation in Abu Dhabi, can get an entry permit allowing them to enter the country. Once the employee enters the country, the employer will approach General Directorate of Residency and Foreigners Affairs to process the residency visa, which is usually valid for 2 years.

Both UAE nationals and expatriates residing in UAE are entitled to sponsor their family members. Bringing a family member to live in UAE is a two-step procedure:

- 1. Apply for an entry permit, which allows the sponsored person to enter the country.
- 2. Obtain a non-employment residence visa, which permits the sponsored person to legally stay in the country.

For more information on sponsoring family members, please visit Bringing Family to Abu Dhabi.