





# Libya

Visa Options for Bangladeshi Nationals

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Libya maintains a resident diplomatic mission in Dhaka, Bangladesh.

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# A) Tourist / Business Visa:

Weblink: https://visathing.com/country/libya/

# Requirements

#### 1. Passport:

- a) Original Passport with validity of minimum six months after the intended date of departure and minimum two blank pages for visa stamp.
- b) Copy of previous passports and visas issued.
- c) Attach all old passports (if any).
- d) If any visa request was refused, details of original letter issued by the authorities of that country would be preferred.

# 2.Libya Visa Application Form:

Visa application form must be filled and signed by the applicant.

#### 3. Photo Specification:

- a) Two recent passport size photographs with matt or semi matt finish (60-80% face coverage)
- b) white background and without border (Size: 35mm x 45mm)
- c) Photograph should not be more than 3 months old, scanned/stapled and should not be used in any of the previous visas.

#### 4. Covering-Letter:

Covering Letter from applicant (with name, designation, Passport Number, purpose and outlining who will be responsible for the full costs of the trip — travel, accommodation, expenses, etc.) addressed to the Visa Officer, Embassy of Libya, Dhaka.

#### 5. Invitation Letter:

(If Any)

# 6. Forwarding-Letter:

- Forwarding Letter / NOC from the applicant's company authority on the company's letter head stating applicant's name, designation, passport number, purpose and duration of visit.
- b) Visa request letter from the educational institute or student card/evidence of school enrollment (if student).

# 7. Proof of Occupation:

- a) Company registration certificate (original notarized English translated and photocopy of the original) if the applicant is a first time traveler or a proprietor.
- b) Office ID card copy & Visiting card.

#### 8. Financials:

- a) Company's or Personal Bank Statement for last six months mentioning the Bank's name and Bank's Telephone Number clearly.
- b) Salary slip for the last six months. (If Any)

#### 9. Ticket & Hotel Reservation:

Ticket Itinerary & Hotel Booking.

#### **B) Work Visa:**

Weblink: https://www.temehu.com/workvisa.htm

Libya work visa is granted to foreign nationals who wish to work in Libya. Working in the country without a work visa is illegal. A small Libyan company usually has the right to bring 20 foreign workers into the country, except where the company has existing contracts to run large projects which often require more workers. The work visa process must be initiated via the Work Department in Libya.

**Step 1**: in order to apply for a work visa, the applicant must have a job offer from a Libyan company.

**Step 2:** the company initiates the process by applying to the Work Department for a work visa approval, providing a copy of the applicant's passport, an invitation letter prepared by the company, and the required fees.

**Step 3:** the work department approves the application, and sends a copy to the immigration.

**Step 4**: the immigration department prepares the actual "work visa approval" and faxes a copy to the Libyan embassy in the applicant's country of origin.

**Step 5**: the applicant visits the embassy, pays the appropriate fees, and secures the visa stamp in his or her passport.

#### **Passport Requirements**

Please make sure passport meets the following legal requirements:

- a) The passport must be valid for the duration of stay in Libya, and for at least six months when the applicant leaves Libya.
- b) The passport does not have an Israeli stamp.
- c) The passport must contain at least two blank pages.

## Validity of Work Visa

The initial work visa is usually granted for three months. The visa then can be renewed or extended inside Libya.

# C) Transit Visa

Weblink: https://www.temehu.com/transitvisa.htm

The visa is granted for transiting or crossing Libya from border to border along the coast. When available, this kind of visa does not require a "guide", unless specifically requested. Usually it takes around 5 working-days to process the visa, but to guarantee arrival on the specified date it is best to send documents 10 days before arrival.

Transit visa cannot be used for tourism purposes, in the same way one is not allowed to work in the country without a work visa.

Since the tour guide or the escort is no longer required (since 2012), it is best to apply for tourist visa instead. The other difference is that transit visa allows less time in Libya than the tourist visa.

#### Requirements

To apply, please provide the following:

- a) A clear scanned copy of passport's bio data page (the page with photo).
- b) Profession.
- c) Estimated dates of arrival and departure.

# **Passport**

Please make sure passport meets the following legal requirements:

- d) The passport must be valid for the duration of stay in Libya, and for at least six months when the applicant leaves Libya.
- e) The passport does not have an Israeli stamp.
- f) The passport must contain at least two blank pages.

#### Validity

Transit visa approval is usually valid for 30 days beginning from the date of issue but the duration of stay in Libya is only two weeks (14 days), starting from the date of entry.

# D) Journalist Visa

Weblink: https://www.temehu.com/journalistvisa.htm

The process is divided into two stages:

# Stage 1 (before arrival):

- a) Applicant needs to visit the nearest Libyan Embassy and apply for journalist visa. The embassy then requests the "approval" from the FMD in Tripoli.
- b) The FMD then sends the approval to the embassy, together with the customs clearance (for the equipment to be brought into the country).
- c) Then the applicant needs to re-visit the embassy to provide a list of all the equipment to be brought into Libya.
- d) Finally, the embassy issues the visa stamp and the customs clearance for the equipment.

## Stage 2 (after arrival):

- a) With the visa stamp in the passport, the visa holder travels to Libya.
- b) After arrival in Libya, the first point of contact is the FMD (Foreign Media Department) in Tripoli, to provide them with a full list of all the sites the visa holder would like to visit or film.
- c) Finally, the FMD will issue the necessary paper work: 'permission' to film the listed sites, and an 'ID', which the visa holder must carry at all times.

#### E) Spouse & Family Visa:

Weblink: https://www.temehu.com/spousevisa.htm

This is a Libyan entry visa granted to a spouse of a Libyan citizen, or to a member of family (sons or daughters of a Libyan citizen). The applicant needs to apply directly to the Libyan embassy for the visa, providing the documents listed below. This type of visa, likewise diplomatic visa, is free of charge. Please note that even though a "spouse" is a husband or a wife considered in relation to their partner, the term is often used in Libya to refer to the foreign wife of a Libyan husband.

#### **Spouse Visa Requirements**

The following documents are required for any Libyan citizen who wish's to bring his foreign wife into Libya:

- a) Correctly completed visa application form.
- b) One personal photo.
- c) A copy of the Libyan husband's passport.
- d) A written approval from the husband.
- e) A copy of the marriage contract.

# **Family Visa Requirements**

The following documents are required for any Libyan citizen who wish's to secure a Libyan entry visa for his children:

- a) Correctly completed visa application form.
- b) One personal photo.
- c) Birth Certificate.
- d) A copy of the father's / mother's passport.
- e) A written approval from the father / mother.

# Visa Form:

Libyan entry visa application form, link: https://www.temehu.com/NTC/libya-entry-visa-application-form.pdf

# **Important Note:**

Entry into Libya is currently restricted for nationals of Bangladesh, Iran, Pakistan, Syria, Sudan and Yemen (Source: IATA Travel Information Manual).