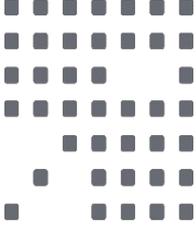




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1. Visit visa

1.a. Standard Visitor visa

Weblink: <https://www.gov.uk/standard-visitor-visa/documents-you-will-need>

You must provide a passport or travel document. Your passport should be valid for the whole of your stay in the UK and contain a blank page for your visa.

You will be told what other documents and information to provide when you [apply online](#).

You must provide certified translations of any documents that are not in English.

You will need to provide the following information:

- the dates you are planning to travel to the UK
- details of where you will be staying during your visit
- how much you think your trip will cost
- your current home address and how long you have lived there
- your parents' names and dates of birth (if known)
- how much you earn in a year (if you have an income)
- details of any criminal, civil or immigration offences you may have committed

You might also need to provide:

- details of your travel history for the past 10 years
- your employer's address and telephone number
- your partner's name, date of birth, and passport number
- the name and address of anyone paying for your trip
- the name, address and passport number of any family members you have in the UK

Providing documents for certain activities

You must provide specific documents if you are applying to visit the UK to:

- do research as part of an overseas study course
- have private medical treatment
- be an organ donor
- take the Professional and Linguistic Assessment Board (PLAB) test or sit the Objective Structured Clinical Examination (OSCE)

Please read the [full list of supporting documents](#) for more information.

Fees

A Standard Visitor visa costs £95.

The fee for a long-term Standard Visitor visa depends on its length:

- 2 years - £361
- 5 years - £655
- 10 years - £822

1.b. Marriage Visitor visa

Weblink: <https://www.gov.uk/marriage-visa/documents-you-will-need>

You must provide a passport or travel document. Your passport should be valid for the whole of your stay in the UK and contain a blank page for your visa.

You can supply the following to support your application:

- details of the marriage or civil partnership and proof that you have paid money for some of its costs
- proof that you are planning to get married in the UK, for example a booking confirmation or emails between you and the venue

See the [full list of documents you can provide to prove your eligibility](#).

You will need to provide a [certified translation](#) of any documents that are not in English or Welsh.

If you have been married before

You will need to show proof that you are free to marry or enter into a civil partnership again, for example a:

- decree absolute
- death certificate of a previous partner

You may need to provide additional documents depending on your circumstances.

Fees

It costs £95 to apply.

1.c. Permitted Paid Engagement visa

Weblink: <https://www.gov.uk/permitted-paid-engagement-visa/documents-you-will-need>

When you apply you must provide:

- a current passport or other valid travel document - your passport must have a blank page for your visa
- a formal invitation from the UK-based organisation or client you will be paid by
- proof that the paid engagement relates to your expertise, qualifications and main job in your home country, for example a letter from your employer

See the [full list of documents you can provide to prove your eligibility](#).

You will need to provide a [certified translation](#) of any documents that are not in English or Welsh.

Additional documents

You must provide extra documents if you are an established arts, entertainment or sporting professional. You can provide any of the following:

- publications
- publicity material
- proof of awards
- media coverage and reviews
- proof of recent performances
- You may need to provide additional documents depending on your circumstances.

Fees

A Permitted Paid Engagement visa costs £95.

1.d. Parent of a Child Student visa

Weblink: <https://www.gov.uk/parent-of-a-child-at-school-visa/documents-you-must-provide>

When you apply you will need to provide:

- a current passport or other valid travel document
- proof that you have enough money to support yourself and your child - unless you have been in the UK for at least 12 months on a valid visa
- evidence that you have a permanent home outside the UK

- Depending on your circumstances, you might also need to provide:
- your tuberculosis (TB) test results if you are from a country where you have to take the TB test
- a certified translation of any documents that are not in English

Fees

A Parent of a Child Student visa costs £516.

1.e. Visa to pass through the UK in transit

Weblink: <https://www.gov.uk/transit-visa/direct-airside-transit-visa>

1.e.i. Direct Airside Transit visa

You might need a Direct Airside Transit visa (DATV) if you:

- will be changing flights in the UK on your way to another country
- will not go through UK border control

You may not have to apply for a visa. What you need to do depends on your nationality and whether you need to enter the UK. [Check if you need to apply for a visa.](#)

You do not need one if you have a valid:

- EEA family permit
- EU Settlement Scheme family permit
- Home Office travel document, for example you are a refugee or stateless person
- Standard Visitor visa
- Marriage Visitor visa

You must apply for another type of [visitor visa](#) if you are travelling to or from Ireland, the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man.

Documents you need

To apply for a DATV, you must have a current passport or other valid travel document.

You need to provide evidence that you are allowed to enter the country you are travelling to, such as a:

- residence permit
- green card
- valid visa

If you are not a resident or national of the country you are travelling to, you may need to explain why you are going there. You may need to provide details of where you are staying.

You must also provide evidence that your onward journey is booked or confirmed, such as:

- a flight booking email
- printed tickets
- confirmation from a travel agent

- Bring your visa and documents with you when you travel through the UK.

Apply

You must apply online for a Direct Airside Transit visa.

You will need to have your fingerprints and photograph (known as 'biometric information') taken at a [visa application centre](#) as part of your application.

You may be able to get your visa faster or other services depending on what country you are in - check with your visa application centre.

1.e.ii. Visitor in Transit visa

You might need a Visitor in Transit visa if you are:

- changing flights in the UK on your way to another country
- going through UK border control, for example to check in your luggage for a connecting flight
- leaving the UK within 48 hours
- not working or studying while in the UK

You may not have to apply for a visa. What you need to do depends on your nationality and whether you need to enter the UK. Check if you need to apply for a visa.

If you are not going through UK border control, check if you need a Direct Airside Transit visa instead.

You do not need a transit visa if you have a valid:

- EEA family permit
- EU Settlement Scheme family permit
- Home Office travel document, for example you are a refugee or stateless person
- Standard Visitor visa
- Marriage Visitor visa

You need to apply for a Standard Visitor visa if you are staying in the UK for more than 48 hours.

Documents you need

To apply for a Visitor in Transit visa, you must have a current passport or other valid travel document.

You need to provide evidence that you are allowed to enter the country you are travelling to, such as a:

- residence permit
- green card
- valid visa

If you are not a resident or national of the country you are travelling to, you may need to explain why you are going there. You may need to provide details of where you are staying. You must also provide evidence that your onward journey is booked or confirmed, such as:

- a flight booking email
- printed tickets
- confirmation from a travel agent

Your onward flight must be within 48 hours of your arrival in the UK.
Bring your visa and documents with you when you travel through the UK.

Apply

You must apply online for a Visitor in Transit visa.

You will need to have your fingerprints and photograph (known as 'biometric information') taken at a [visa application centre](#) as part of your application.

You may be able to get your visa faster or other services depending on what country you are in - check with your visa application centre.

1.e.iii. Travel to the Channel Islands, the Isle of Man or Ireland

You might need to [apply for a visitor visa](#) to travel through the UK to get to the Channel Islands, the Isle of Man or Ireland.

You will usually need to [apply for a Standard Visitor visa](#) unless you are exempt.

You do not need a UK visitor visa if:

- you have a valid visa for the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man
- you have a valid Irish biometric visa (marked 'BC' or 'BC BIVS' in the remarks' section)

If you need to pass through the UK regularly

You can also apply for a long-term [Standard Visitor visa](#), if you need to pass through the UK in transit regularly over a longer period. You can stay for a maximum of 6 months on each visit and your visa can last for 2, 5 or 10 years.

Fees

- Direct Airside Transit visa (DATV) - £35
- Visitor in Transit visa - £64

2. Study visa

2.a. Student visa:

Weblink: <https://www.gov.uk/student-visa/documents-you-must-provide>

When you apply for your Student visa you must provide:

- a current passport or other valid travel documentation
- a Confirmation of Acceptance for Studies (CAS) from your course provider

You may also need to provide:

- proof you have enough money to support yourself and pay for your course - this will vary depending on your circumstances
- a valid ATAS certificate if your course and nationality require it
- proof of parental or other legal guardian consent if you are under 18
- proof of your relationship to your parent or guardian if you are under 18
- your tuberculosis test results
- written consent for your application from your financial sponsor if you have received sponsorship for your course fees and living costs in the last 12 months

You may need to provide additional documents depending on your circumstances. [Read the guidance for the full list of documents you will need to provide.](#)

You need a blank page in your passport for your visa, if you need to give your biometric information (fingerprints and a photograph) at a visa application centre. You will be told if you need to do this when you apply.

If you are under 18

If you are under 18, you will need written consent from both parents or legal guardians (or one parent if they have sole responsibility).

This must include their consent for:

- your visa application
- your living and care arrangements in the UK
- your travel to the UK

You will also need to provide a copy of your birth certificate (or another government issued document) that shows the names of your parents.

Fees

- £348 to apply for a Student visa from outside the UK
- £475 to extend or switch to a Student visa from inside the UK

You must pay the visa fee for each person that joins you.

2.b. Child Student visa

Weblink: <https://www.gov.uk/child-study-visa>

When you apply for your Child Student visa you must provide:

- a current passport or other valid travel documentation
- a Confirmation of Acceptance for Studies (CAS) from your course provider
- written consent from your parent or legal guardian for your study in the UK

You may also need to provide:

(Weblink: <https://www.gov.uk/child-study-visa/documents-you-must-provide>)

- proof that you have enough money to support yourself and pay for your course - this will vary depending on your circumstances
- proof of your relationship to your parent or guardian (for example a birth certificate or other government issued document showing their names)
- evidence of the qualifications you used to get a place on your course - if this was required by your course provider
- your tuberculosis (TB) test results
- written consent for your application from your financial sponsor if you have received sponsorship for your course fees and living costs in the last 12 months
- You may need to provide additional documents depending on your circumstances. Read the guidance for the full list of documents You will need to provide.
- You need a blank page in your passport for your visa if you need to give your biometric information (fingerprints and a photograph) at a visa application centre. You will be told if you need to do this when you apply.
- Parental consent
- You must have written consent from both parents (or one parent if they have sole responsibility) or legal guardian. This must confirm they consent to:
 - your visa application
 - your living arrangements and care in the UK
 - your travel to the UK

If you are living with a close relative or foster carer, you will need to provide additional evidence. [Read the guidance for the full list of documents you will need to provide.](#)

Fees

- £348 to apply for a Child Student visa from outside the UK
- £475 to extend or switch to a Child Student visa from inside the UK

You will also have to [pay the healthcare surcharge](#) as part of your application. [Check how much you will have to pay](#) before you apply.

2.c.Study English in the UK (Short-term study visa)

Weblink: <https://www.gov.uk/visa-to-study-english/documents-you-must-provide>

When you apply you must provide:

- a current passport (with a blank page for your visa) or other valid travel document
- evidence that you can support yourself during your trip, for example bank statements or payslips for the last 6 months
- details of where you intend to stay and your travel plans - you should not pay for accommodation or travel until you get your visa

- evidence that you have paid your course fees or have enough money to pay them

You also need to provide:

- your tuberculosis (TB) test results, if you are from a country where you have to take the TB test
- contact details for at least one parent or guardian in your home country, if you are under 18 years old
- a certified translation if any documents are not in English

Documents about your course

You must provide written proof of the course you are studying. For example, a letter of acceptance from the educational institution stating the course's name, duration and cost (including accommodation).

You may need to provide additional documents depending on your circumstances, such as evidence of your:

- permission to be in the country you are applying from (if you are not a national)
- financial sponsor's occupation, income, savings or funds that will support your studies

If you are under 18

If you are under 18 you need to provide additional documents if:

- you are travelling on your own
- you are travelling with someone who is not your parent or guardian

Travelling on your own

You can travel to the UK without an adult (someone 18 or older).

You must have written consent from both parents (or one parent if they have sole responsibility) or your legal guardian. This must confirm they consent to:

- your visa application
- your living arrangements and care in the UK
- your travel to the UK

They also need to provide proof that you have somewhere suitable to live during your stay in the UK, including:

- the name and date of birth of the person that you will be staying with
- an address where you will be living
- details of your relationship to the person who will be looking after you
- consent in writing so they can look after you during your stay in the UK

Your parent, guardian or school must tell the relevant local authority about your visit if either of the following are true:

- you are under 18 and have a disability
- you are going to be looked after for more than 28 days by someone who is not a close relative (called 'private foster care')

You should provide a reply from the local authority if you have one.

Travelling with an adult

- If you travel to the UK with an adult (someone 18 or older), you need to identify them in your visa application
- Their name will appear on your visa, and You will be refused entry to the UK if you arrive in the UK without them
- You can identify up to 2 adults in your visa application, and your visa will only be valid if you travel with at least one of them
- The adult can apply for a visa at the same time, but you must each complete separate applications
- Fees and costs

Fees

It costs £186 for a Short-term study visa.

3. Work visa

3.A. Long term work visa

3.A.a. Skilled Worker visa

Weblink: <https://www.gov.uk/skilled-worker-visa/documents-you-must-provide>

When you apply, you will need to provide:

- your certificate of sponsorship reference number - your employer will give you this
- proof of your knowledge of English
- a valid passport or other document that shows your identity and nationality
- your job title and annual salary
- your job's occupation code
- the name of your employer and their sponsor licence number - this will be on your certificate of sponsorship

Ask your employer for a copy of your certificate of sponsorship if you do not have one.

If your certificate of sponsorship was issued before 1 December 2020:

Your certificate of sponsorship will need to be updated because it was assigned to you before the Tier 2 (General) work visa was replaced by the Skilled Worker visa.

Ask your employer to update the 'sponsor notes' section in the [UK visa sponsorship management system](#).

Other documents you might need

Depending on your circumstances, you might be asked to provide:

- evidence that you have enough personal savings to support yourself in the UK, for example bank statements (unless your certificate of sponsorship shows your employer can support you)
- proof of your relationship with your partner or children if they are applying with you
- your tuberculosis test results if you are from a listed country
- a criminal record certificate - if you are working in certain jobs
- your UK PhD certificate or your unique UK NARIC reference number if your qualification is from outside the UK - You will need to apply for this through the UK NARIC Visas and Nationality Service

You will need a blank page in your passport for your visa if you are:

- from outside the EU, Switzerland, Norway, Iceland or Liechtenstein
- from the EU, Switzerland, Norway, Iceland or Liechtenstein but do not have a biometric passport with a chip in it
- If your documents are not in English, you will also need to provide a certified translation

How much it costs

You, your partner or children will each need to:

- pay the application fee
- pay the healthcare surcharge for each year of your stay
- prove you have enough personal savings

3.A.b. Health and Care Worker visa

Weblink: <https://www.gov.uk/health-care-worker-visa/documents-you-must-provide>

When you apply, you will need to provide:

- your certificate of sponsorship reference number - your employer will give you this
- proof of your knowledge of English
- a valid passport or other document that shows your identity and nationality
- your job title and annual salary

- your job's occupation code
- the name of your employer and their sponsor licence number - this will be on your certificate of sponsorship

Ask your employer for a copy of your certificate of sponsorship if you do not have one.

If your certificate of sponsorship was issued before 1 December 2020:

Your certificate of sponsorship will need to be updated because it was assigned to you before the Tier 2 (General) work visa was replaced by the Skilled Worker visa. The Health and Care Worker visa is a type of skilled work visa.

Ask your employer to update the 'sponsor notes' section in the [UK visa sponsorship management system](#).

Other documents you might need

Depending on your circumstances, you might be asked to provide:

- evidence that you have enough personal savings to support yourself in the UK, for example bank statements (unless your certificate of sponsorship shows your employer can support you)
- proof of your relationship with your partner or children if they are applying with you
- your tuberculosis test results if you are from a listed country
- a criminal record certificate - if you are working in certain jobs
- your UK PhD certificate or your unique UK NARIC reference number if your qualification is from outside the UK - You will need to apply for this through the UK NARIC Visas and Nationality Service

You will need a blank page in your passport for your visa if you are:

- from outside the EU, Switzerland, Norway, Iceland or Liechtenstein
- from the EU, Switzerland, Norway, Iceland or Liechtenstein but do not have a biometric passport with a chip in it

If your documents are not in English or Welsh You will also need to provide a [certified translation](#).

Criminal record certificate

You will need to provide a criminal record certificate if you are applying from outside the UK, unless your job is in one of the following occupation codes:

- biological scientists and biochemists (2112)
- physical scientists (2113)

[Check how to apply for criminal records checks.](#)

If you have lived in more than one country

- You might need to provide a certificate from each country you have lived in, depending on your age and how long you stayed in each country
- If you are under 28, You will need a certificate from any country you have stayed in for a total of 12 months or more since you turned 18
- If you are 28 or over, You will need a certificate from any country you have stayed in over the last 10 years

How much it costs

You, your partner or children will each need to:

- pay the application fee
- prove you have enough personal savings

3.A.c. Intra-company visas

Weblink: <https://www.gov.uk/intracompany-transfer-worker-visa>

When you apply, you will need to provide:

- your certificate of sponsorship reference number - your employer will give you this
- a valid passport or other document that shows your identity and nationality
- your job title and annual salary
- your job's occupation code
- the name of your employer and their sponsor licence number - this will be on your certificate of sponsorship
- evidence that you have enough personal savings to support yourself in the UK, for example bank statements (unless your certificate of sponsorship shows your employer can support you)
- proof of your relationship with your partner or children if they are applying with you
- your tuberculosis test results if you are from a listed country

Ask your employer for a copy of your certificate of sponsorship if you do not have one.

If your certificate of sponsorship was issued before 1 December 2020:

Your certificate of sponsorship will need to be updated because it was assigned to you before the Tier 2 (Intra-company Transfer) Long-term Staff visa and Tier 2 (Intra-company Transfer) Graduate Trainee visa were replaced.

Ask your employer to update the 'sponsor notes' section in the [UK visa sponsorship management system](#).

Other documents you might need

Depending on your circumstances, you might be asked to provide:

- evidence you have worked for your employer outside the UK
- details of your training programme if you are applying for an Intra-company Graduate Trainee visa

You will need a blank page in your passport for your visa if you need to give your biometric information (fingerprints and a photograph) at a visa application centre. You will be told if you need to do this when you apply.

If your documents are not in English or Welsh You will also need to provide a [certified translation](#).

Evidence you have worked for your employer outside the UK

After you apply you might be asked to show you have worked for your employer for a certain amount of time.

The length of time depends on what visa you are applying for:

- Intra-company Transfer earning less than £73,900 a year - 12 months
- Intra-company Transfer earning £73,900 a year or more - no minimum time
- Intra-company Graduate Trainee - 3 months

If you are asked, you will need to show you have been paid by your employer over this time period. You can provide:

- printed payslips
- online payslips supported by a letter from your sponsor signed by a senior staff member
- bank or building society statements
- a building society pass book

How much it costs

You, your partner or children will each need to:

- pay the application fee
- pay the healthcare surcharge for each year of your stay
- prove you have enough personal savings

3.A.d. Minister of Religion visa (T2)

Weblink: <https://www.gov.uk/minister-of-religion-visa/documents-you-will-need>

When you apply, you will need to provide:

- your certificate of sponsorship reference number (your employer will give you this)
- proof of your knowledge of English
- evidence that you have enough personal savings to support yourself in the UK, for example bank statements (unless your certificate of sponsorship shows your employer can support you)
- a valid passport or other document that shows your identity and nationality - you need a blank page in your passport for your visa
- expired passports or travel documents if you need them to show your travel history
- your tuberculosis test results if you are from a listed country
- If your documents are not in English or Welsh You will also need to provide a certified translation.
- You may need to provide additional documents depending on your circumstances.
- See the full list of documents you can provide.
- Read the guidance about the money You will need and how to prove it

Fees

How much you pay for a Minister of Religion visa (T2) depends on where you are.

Who you are applying for	Apply outside the UK	Extend or switch in the UK
You	£610	£704
All dependants	£610 each person	£704 each person

3.A.e. Sportsperson visa (T2)

Weblink: <https://www.gov.uk/sportsperson-visa>

When you apply, you will need to provide:

- your certificate of sponsorship reference number (your employer will give you this)
- proof of your knowledge of English
- evidence that you have enough personal savings to support yourself in the UK, for example bank statements (unless your certificate of sponsorship shows your employer can support you)
- a valid passport or other document that shows your identity and nationality - you need a blank page in your passport for your visa
- expired passports or travel documents if you need them to show your travel history
- your tuberculosis test results if you are from a listed country
- a letter of endorsement from your sport's governing body, if you are applying as a sportsperson or coach

If your documents are not in English, you will need to provide a [certified translation](#). You may need to provide additional documents depending on your circumstances.

See the [full list of documents you can provide](#).

Read the [guidance about the money you will need and how to prove it](#).

Application fee

How much you pay for a Sportsperson visa (T2) depends on where you are.

Who you are applying for	Apply outside the UK	Extend or switch in the UK
You	£610	£704
All dependants	£610 each person	£704 each person

3.B. Short-term work visas

3.B.a. Temporary Worker - Charity Worker visa (T5)

Weblink: <https://www.gov.uk/temporary-worker-charity-worker-visa/documents-you-must-provide>

When you apply, you will need to provide:

- your certificate of sponsorship reference number - your employer will give you this
- a valid passport or other document that shows your identity and nationality
- evidence that you have enough personal savings to support yourself in the UK, for example bank statements (unless your certificate of sponsorship shows your employer can support you)
- proof of your relationship with your partner or children if they are applying with you
- your tuberculosis (TB) test results if you are from a country where you have to take the test

You need a blank page in your passport for your visa.

You will need to provide a [certified translation](#) of any documents that are not in English.

Read the [guidance on documents you can provide](#).

You may need to provide additional documents depending on your circumstances.

Application fee

The application fee for each person applying is £244.

The fee is the same whether you are applying from inside or outside the UK.

3.B.b. Temporary Worker - Creative and Sporting visa (T5)

Weblink: <https://www.gov.uk/temporary-worker-creative-and-sporting-visa>

When you apply, you will need to provide:

- your certificate of sponsorship reference number - your employer will give you this
- a valid passport or other document that shows your identity and nationality
- evidence that you have enough personal savings to support yourself in the UK, for example bank statements (unless your certificate of sponsorship shows your employer can support you)
- proof of your relationship with your partner or children if they are applying with you
- your tuberculosis test results if you are from a country where you have to take the test
- a letter of endorsement from your sport's governing body, if you are applying as a sports person or coach

You need a blank page in your passport for your visa.

You will need to provide a [certified translation](#) of any documents that are not in English or Welsh.

Read the guide for a [full list of documents](#) you can provide.

You may need to provide additional documents depending on your circumstances.

Application fee

The application fee for each person applying is £244.

The fee is the same whether you are applying from inside or outside the UK.

3.B.c. Temporary Worker - Government Authorised Exchange visa (T5)

Weblink: <https://www.gov.uk/government-authorised-exchange>

When you apply, you will need to provide:

- your certificate of sponsorship reference number - your employer will give you this
- a valid passport or other document that shows your identity and nationality
- evidence that you have enough personal savings to support yourself in the UK, for example bank statements (unless your certificate of sponsorship shows your employer can support you)
- proof of your relationship with your partner or children if they are applying with you
- your tuberculosis test results if you are from a country where you have to take the test

You need a blank page in your passport for your visa.

You must also provide a [certified translation](#) of any documents that are not in English.

Read the guide for a [full list of documents](#) you can provide.

You may need to provide additional documents depending on your circumstances.

Application fee

The application fee for each person applying is £244.

The fee is the same whether you are applying from inside or outside the UK.

3.B.d. Temporary Worker – International Agreement Worker visa (T5)

Weblink: <https://www.gov.uk/international-agreement-worker-visa>

When you apply, you will need to provide:

- your certificate of sponsorship reference number - your employer will give you this
- a valid passport or other document that shows your identity and nationality
- evidence that you have enough personal savings to support yourself in the UK, for example bank statements (unless your certificate of sponsorship shows your employer can support you)
- proof of your relationship with your partner or children if they are applying with you
- your tuberculosis test results if you are from a country where you have to take the test

You need a blank page in your passport for your visa.

You will need to provide a [certified translation](#) of any documents that are not in English or Welsh.

Read the guide for a [full list of documents](#) you can provide.

You may need to provide additional documents depending on your circumstances.

Application fee

The application fee for each person applying is £244.

The fee is the same whether you are applying from inside or outside the UK.

3.B.e. Temporary Worker - Religious Worker visa (T5)

Weblink: <https://www.gov.uk/religious-worker-visa>

When you apply, you will need to provide:

- your certificate of sponsorship reference number - your employer will give you this
- a valid passport or other document that shows your identity and nationality
- evidence that you have enough personal savings to support yourself in the UK, for example bank statements (unless your certificate of sponsorship shows your employer can support you)
- proof of your relationship with your partner or children if they are applying with you
- your tuberculosis (TB) test results if you are from a country where you have to take the test
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You need a blank page in your passport for your visa.

You will need to provide a [certified translation](#) of any documents that are not in English.

You may need to provide additional documents depending on your circumstances.

Read the guide for a [full list of documents](#) you can provide.

Application fee

The application fee for each person applying is £244.

The fee is the same whether you are applying from inside or outside the UK.

3.B.f. Temporary Worker - Seasonal Worker visa (T5)

Weblink: <https://www.gov.uk/seasonal-worker-visa>

When you apply, you will need to provide:

- your certificate of sponsorship reference number - your sponsor will give you this
- a valid passport or other document that shows your identity and nationality
- evidence that you have enough personal savings to support yourself in the UK, for example bank statements (unless your certificate of sponsorship shows your sponsor can support you)

You need a blank page in your passport for your visa. If you have another type of travel document (for example, a stateless person's travel document) it must have space for your visa.

You must also provide a [certified translation](#) of any documents that are not in English, apart from your passport.

The Home Office might ask you to provide additional documents after you apply.

Fee

The visa costs £244.

3.B.g. Youth Mobility Scheme visa (T5)

Weblink: <https://www.gov.uk/youth-mobility>

When you apply, you will need to provide:

- a valid passport or other document that shows your identity and nationality
- a bank statement showing you have at least £2,530 in savings
- your tuberculosis (TB) test results if you are from a country where you have to take the test

You need a blank page in your passport for your visa.

You will need to provide a [certified translation](#) of any documents that are not in English.

Read the guide for a [full list of documents](#) you can provide.

You may need to provide additional documents depending on your circumstances.

Fees

It costs £244 to apply.

You will also have to [pay the healthcare surcharge](#) as part of your application. Check how much You will have to pay [before you apply](#).

4. Investor, business development and talent visas

4.a. Innovator visa

Weblink: <https://www.gov.uk/innovator-visa>

When you apply you need to provide an 'endorsement letter' to show that [an endorsing body](#) has assessed your business or business idea.

You also need to provide:

- a valid passport or other document that shows your identity and nationality
- bank statements showing you have had at least £1,270 in savings in your bank account for 28 consecutive days before you apply
- proof that you meet the English language requirement
- evidence of your investment funds (if you are setting up a new business)
- your tuberculosis test results if you are from a country where you have to take the test

If your documents are not in English or Welsh You will also need to provide a [certified translation](#).

You will need a blank page in your passport for your visa if you are:

- from outside the EU, Switzerland, Norway, Iceland or Liechtenstein

- from the EU, Switzerland, Norway, Iceland or Liechtenstein but do not have a biometric passport with a chip in it

You may need to provide additional documents depending on your circumstances.

Fees

How much you pay for an Innovator visa depends on your situation and where you apply from.

Who you are applying for	Apply (outside the UK)	Extend or switch (in the UK)
You	£1,021	£1,277
Your partner and children	£1,021 each person	£1,277 each person

You must pay the visa fee for each person that applies at the same time as you or applies later to join you in the UK

Apply for the Global Talent visa

Weblink: <https://www.gov.uk/global-talent>

When you apply, you will need to provide:

- a valid passport or other document that shows your identity and nationality
- your tuberculosis test results if you are from a country where you have to take the test

If you have had an award or scholarship to study in the UK in the last year, you will also need written permission to apply from the agency or government that granted it.

If your documents are not in English or Welsh You will also need to provide a [certified translation](#).

You need a blank page in your passport for your visa if you are:

- from outside the EU, EEA or Switzerland
- from the EU, EEA or Switzerland but do not have a biometric passport with a chip in it

4.b. Entrepreneur visa (Tier 1)

Weblink: <https://www.gov.uk/tier-1-entrepreneur>

Please see the links below for details.

- [Overview](#)
- [Extend your visa](#)

- [Switch to this visa](#)
- [Family members](#)

4.c. Investor visa (Tier 1)

Weblink: <https://www.gov.uk/tier-1-investor/documents-you-must-provide>

When you apply, you will need to provide:

- a current passport or other valid travel identification
- your tuberculosis test results if you are from a country where you have to take the test
- a criminal record certificate from any country you have stayed in for a total of 12 months or more over the last 10 years
- You need a blank page in your passport for your visa.
- You will need to provide a certified translation of any documents that are not in English or Welsh.

Evidence of investment funds

You will need to provide evidence showing that you have the required investment funds.

Your own money

If you are using your own money to invest, you should be able to show:

- how much money you have and where it's being held
- where the money came from if you have had the money for less than 2 years, for example you inherited it from a relative
- that the money can be transferred to the UK and converted to sterling (if it's not already in the UK)

Your partner's money

You will need to provide:

- a certificate of marriage or civil partnership, or in the case of unmarried or same-sex relationships, proof that you are in a long-term relationship (at least 2 years)
- a statement from your partner confirming that they will allow you to control the funds in the UK
- a letter from a legal adviser stating that the declaration is valid

Read the [guide for a list of documents you can provide](#).

Evidence you have a UK bank account

You must provide a letter to prove you have an account at a UK regulated bank to use for your investment funds. The letter must:

- have been issued by an authorised official
- be dated within 3 months of your application
- be on the official headed paper of the bank
- state your name and account number
- confirm you have opened an account with the bank in order to invest £2,000,000
- confirm the bank is regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority
- confirm checks for money-laundering have been carried out

You may need to provide additional documents depending on your circumstances

Fees

You must pay £1,623 to apply for a Tier 1 (Investor) visa. The fee is the same if you are extending or switching visas, or if you are applying as a family member.

5. Other work visas and exemptions

5.a. UK Ancestry visa

Weblink: <https://www.gov.uk/ancestry-visa>

When you apply, you will need to provide:

- a current passport (with a blank page for your visa) or another valid travel document
- your full birth certificate
- the full birth certificates of the parent and grandparent your ancestry claim is based on
- evidence that you are planning to work in the UK, for example job offers you have received or a business plan if you are self-employed
- evidence, such as bank statements, that prove you can support yourself and any dependants in the UK - it must be dated within 31 days from when you submit your application
- Depending on your circumstances, you might also need to provide:
 - evidence that your parents or grandparents have changed their name since birth, for example marriage or civil partnership certificates or a deed poll
 - legal adoption papers if you or your parents are adopted
 - your tuberculosis test results if you are from a country where you have to take a TB test
 - your marriage certificate or civil partnership registration document if your spouse or civil partner wants to join you in the UK

Fees

A UK Ancestry visa costs £516.

5.b. Get an exempt vignette

Weblink: <https://www.gov.uk/exempt-vignette>

You can apply for an exempt vignette, if you do not normally need a visa to work in the UK because you are [exempt from immigration control](#).

It can help you avoid delays when you enter the UK, but you do not have to have one.

You can apply if you are:

- a diplomat, or working for a diplomatic mission in the UK, and you were outside the UK when offered the post
- an overseas government minister on official business, or travelling with one as part of your job
- a member of Commonwealth or Overseas Territories armed forces posted in the UK or training in the UK
- a head of state, or working for a head of state (e.g. on a state visit)
- exempt from immigration control for any other reason
- Some family members might also be able to get an exempt vignette.

Apply for an exempt vignette

There is a section in the visa application form for requesting an exempt vignette. You must fill in the relevant [visa application online](#) and book an appointment at a Visa Application Centre.

The earliest date you can apply is 3 months before you enter the UK.

Applications are free. You should get a decision within 3 weeks.

The exempt vignette will be added into your passport for you to show when you enter the UK.

You will need to provide:

- a current passport or other travel identification
- a passport photo
- evidence that you are coming to the UK as part of your job (if relevant), e.g. a letter from a UK or foreign ministry

5.c. Domestic Workers in a Private Household visa

Weblink:<https://www.gov.uk/domestic-workers-in-a-private-household-visa/documents-you-must-provide>

When you apply, you will need to provide:

- a current passport or other valid travel identification
- proof you can support yourself during your trip, for example bank statements or payslips for the last 6 months
- details of where you will be staying and your return travel booking
- You will need to have a blank page in your passport on which to put the visa.
- You must also provide information about your job, including:

- a letter from your employer confirming that you have worked for them in the same job for at least 1 year
- a completed and signed statement of your terms and conditions of employment
- a statement from your employer confirming they will pay you at least the national minimum wage while you are working for them in the UK
- You must also provide 1 of the following documents covering the same period of employment:
 - pay slips or bank statements showing payment of salary
 - confirmation of tax paid
 - confirmation of health insurance paid
 - contract of employment
 - work visa, residence permit or equivalent passport endorsement for the country where you are currently employed by your employer
 - visas or equivalent passport endorsement if you have travelled with your employer before

You may need to provide additional documents depending on your circumstances. You will need to provide [a certified translation](#) of any documents that are not in English.

Fees

It costs £516 for a visa as a domestic worker in a private household.

5.d. Representative of an Overseas Business visa

Weblink: <https://www.gov.uk/representative-overseas-business/documents-you-must-provide>

When you apply, you will need to provide:

- a current passport or other valid travel identification
- evidence that you can support yourself and any dependants during your trip, for example bank statements or payslips for the last 6 months
- proof that you meet the English requirement

If you are applying from overseas, you will also need to provide:

- details of where you will be staying during your stay
- your [tuberculosis test results](#) if you are from a country where you have to take the test

If you are applying from overseas, you will need to have a blank page in your passport on which to put the visa.

All applicants need to provide [a certified translation](#) of any documents that are not in English.

Read the [guide for a list of documents you can provide](#).

You may need to provide additional documents depending on your circumstances.

Sole representatives

When applying as a sole representative of an overseas business, you will need to provide:

- a full description of the business's activities, including details of assets and accounts
- a letter confirming the overseas business will set up a wholly owned subsidiary or register a branch in the UK in the same business activity as it runs overseas
- your job description, employment contract and salary details
- a letter confirming you are familiar with the business and have the power to take operational decisions
- You should also provide evidence that you:
 - are directly employed by the business and are not acting as a sales agent (for example, hired by a business to sell or distribute their products within the UK, but working for yourself and providing your services for a fee)
 - were recruited to the business outside of the UK
 - hold a senior position in the business, with the authority to make decisions on its behalf and set up and run a registered branch or wholly owned subsidiary
 - will be working full time for the business or subsidiary for the duration of your stay and will not carry out any other work
 - do not own or control a majority of the overseas business

Newspaper, news agency or broadcast employees

As an employee of an overseas newspaper, news agency or broadcasting organisation you must also provide:

- a full description of the parent company's activities, including details of assets and accounts
- confirmation that you will be representing them in the UK in a long term, full-time role

6. Family visas: apply, extend or switch

Weblink: <https://www.gov.uk/uk-family-visa/provide-information>

Information you must provide

You will need to have information and some evidence ready when you make your application. Include information for you and any dependants applying at the same time.

You will need to provide:

- all your names
- your date of birth
- your current passport or other valid travel ID

- copies of the photo page and any visa or entry stamps in your previous passports
- a copy of your biometric residence permit, if you have one
- details of any previous immigration applications you have made
- details of any criminal convictions
- your national insurance number, if you have one
- your parents' date of birth and nationality if you are applying from outside the UK
- your tuberculosis test results if you are from a country where you have to take the test
- a certified translation of any document that is not in English

You will need to have a blank page in your passport on which to put the visa if you are applying outside the UK.

You will need an email address to make an online application.

You will also need to give proof of:

- your finances
- how well you speak and understand English

You may need to provide additional documents depending on your circumstances - for example [a sponsorship form](#) from your family member in the UK.

You will be told how to provide your documents when you apply.

If you are unable to provide specified documents because of coronavirus (COVID-19), you might still be able to apply. [Read the guidance for UK visa applicants and temporary UK residents.](#)

Your partner's details

If you have a partner, you will be asked about their:

- name
- date of birth
- nationality
- passport
- right to be in the UK, for example they are a British citizen

You will also need to give details of:

- any people your partner was previously married to, in a civil partnership with or had children with
- evidence of marriages ending, for example a divorce certificate
- anyone your partner supports with money, for example their parents

Proof of relationship

If you are applying as a spouse or partner, you will be asked about:

- your relationship with your partner, for example how you met and how often you see each other
- how long you have lived together - you will need to provide proof like council tax bills
- things you pay for together
- whether you are your partner's carer

Your previous partners

You will need to include details of anyone you previously married or had children with. Include evidence of marriages ending, for example a divorce certificate.

Children

You will need to give details of your children (and your partner's children if you have one). You will be asked about all children, even if they are not applying.

You will need to give details of:

- their name
- their nationality
- their date of birth
- their passport details
- who the child normally lives with
- any other people with parental responsibility for your child, for example your step children's other parents
- how you are involved in their day to day life
- arrangements you have to see the child - for example the courts have granted you access
- the child's extended family
- any countries your child has visited or lived in

Your life outside the UK

You will need to give details of:

- countries outside the UK you have lived in and visited
- family and friends in the countries where you were born or have nationality

Fees:

How much it costs depends on how you apply.

	Apply outside the UK	Apply in the UK
Cost if joining your partner, parent or child	£1,523	£1,033
Cost for each dependant added to your application	£1,523 each person	£1,033 each person
Cost for an adult who needs to be looked after by a relative	£3,250	£1,033

Let your bank know that a large amount of money will be coming out of your account - otherwise it might cancel your payment.