



**EMBASSY OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
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INFORMATION ON APPLYING FOR A VISA TO VISIT THE PHILIPPINES

Processing period for visa is **Ten (10) Philippine working days not counting Saturday and Sunday** and a Fee of AED 260.00 for Single-entry. Filing of visa application is from Sunday to Thursday between **9:00 am to 12:00 noon only** and **8:00 am to 11:00 am during Ramadan**. Application filed beyond said prescribe time will **not be accepted**.

Requirements:

1. Personal appearance of the applicant, for **first time applicant**;
2. Accomplished Visa Application Form – TO BE DOWNLOADED FROM The Embassy’s website: www.abudhabipe.dfa.gov.ph ; entries must be **TYPEWRITTEN in capital letters**;
3. **Present original passport** and submit photocopies of passport data page(s).
Passport **must be valid for at least six (6) months beyond the intended period of stay in the Philippines**;
4. Submit photocopy of English **UAE residence** visa. The UAE visa must be valid for at least **six (6) months**;
5. One (1) recent passport size photo taken within six (6) months and signed by the applicant on the back portion;
6. Letter of Guarantee from employer/company sponsor stating and/or certifying the following:
 - Position and/or designation of the applicant;
 - Inclusive period of applicant’s employment with the sponsor;
 - Monthly salary; and
 - No objection for applicant’s travel to the Philippines.

If applicant is a business proprietor or partner, present original and submit copy, with English translation of the Trade License with the name of the applicant as proprietor, partner or investor.

7. Signed invitation/Reference letter from Philippine sponsor/contact person, company or Filipino spouse together with the inviting person’s passport or any valid ID and indicating the **complete address** and **telephone number(s)** in the Philippines **or Hotel Booking in the Philippines** and copy of ticket;
8. Proof/s of applicant’s financial capacity to travel:
 - Minimum salary must be AED5,000.00 and above; and/or
 - Bank statement covering the past three (3) months from the date of the statement, must have a minimum balance of AED 10,000.00 and above;
9. Police Clearance in English issued by the UAE Ministry of Interior for ages 18 years old and above.

Additional Requirements:

- **If applicant has previous visit visa to the Philippines,** submit photocopy of the latest Philippine visa issued.
- **If applicant is travelling for recruitment purposes,** present original and submit photocopy of the Job Order or Demand Letter and SPA verified/attested by the Philippine Overseas Labor Office in the UAE and the Philippine Embassy;
- **If applicant is travelling for medical treatment,** submit medical certificate attested by the UAE Ministry of Health and letter of acceptance from a Physician or Medical Institution in the Philippines;
- **If applicant is married to a Filipino citizen,** submit photocopy of the Report of Marriage (issued by the Philippine Embassy or Consulate) together with a copy of spouse's passport or ID;
- **If applicant is a minor:**
 - a) Notarized affidavit/Letter from parents or legal guardian guaranteeing that the applicant will have the parents/guardian's full financial support for international travel. This guarantee must be supported by documents certifying the sponsor's/guardian's financial capacity such as an employment/salary certificate, bank statement and trade license.
 - b) Copy of Birth Certificate (in English, if both parents are non-Filipino) / Report of Birth (issued by the Philippine Embassy or Consulate if either of the parents is a Filipino) and passport copies of parents.

IMPORTANT NOTICE:

- Please be informed that the Philippine Embassy – Abu Dhabi has **NOT** allowed any agency to process and collect any fees for visa applications for the Philippines. All applications must be submitted directly at the Philippine Embassy – Abu Dhabi for evaluation and approval by the Visa Officer. There may be other requirements needed to submit depending on the result of the evaluation. **Incomplete requirements will not be processed.**

- A Philippine visa does not guarantee entry into the country, because the admission of foreign nationals into the Philippines is a function of the Immigration authorities at the port of entry. A Philippine Visa is an endorsement made on a travel document by a consular officer at a Philippine Embassy or Consulate abroad denoting that the visa application has been properly examined and that the bearer is permitted to proceed to the Philippines and request permission from the Philippine Immigration authorities at the ports of entries to enter the country.

NON-VISA (VISA FREE) ENTRY FOR TEMPORARY VISITORS TO THE PHILIPPINES

Nationals from countries listed below who are traveling to the Philippines for business and tourism purposes are allowed to enter the Philippines without visas for a stay not exceeding thirty (30) days, provided they hold valid tickets for their return journey to port of origin or next port of destination and their passports valid for a period of at least six (6) months beyond the contemplated period of stay. However, Immigration Officers at ports of entry may exercise their discretion to admit holders of passports valid for at least sixty (60) days beyond the intended period of stay.

Nationals from the following countries are allowed to enter the Philippines without a visa for a period of stay of thirty (30) days or less:

<i>Andorra</i>	<i>Angola</i>
<i>Antigua and Barbuda</i>	<i>Argentina</i>
<i>Australia</i>	<i>Austria</i>
<i>Bahamas</i>	<i>Bahrain</i>
<i>Barbados</i>	<i>Belgium</i>
<i>Belize</i>	<i>Benin</i>
<i>Bhutan</i>	<i>Bolivia</i>
<i>Botswana</i>	<i>Brazil*</i>
<i>Brunei Darussalam</i>	<i>Bulgaria</i>
<i>Burkina Faso</i>	<i>Burundi</i>
<i>Cambodia</i>	<i>Cameroon</i>
<i>Canada</i>	<i>Cape Verde</i>
<i>Central African Republic</i>	<i>Chad</i>
<i>Chile</i>	<i>Colombia</i>
<i>Comoros</i>	<i>Congo</i>
<i>Costa Rica</i>	<i>Cote d'Ivoire</i>
<i>Croatia</i>	<i>Cyprus</i>
<i>Czech Republic</i>	<i>Democratic Republic of the Congo</i>
<i>Denmark</i>	<i>Djibouti</i>
<i>Dominica</i>	<i>Dominican Republic</i>
<i>Ecuador</i>	<i>El Salvador</i>
<i>Equatorial Guinea</i>	<i>Eritrea</i>
<i>Estonia</i>	<i>Ethiopia</i>
<i>Fiji</i>	<i>Finland</i>
<i>France</i>	<i>Gabon</i>
<i>Gambia</i>	<i>Germany</i>
<i>Ghana</i>	<i>Gibraltar</i>
<i>Greece</i>	<i>Grenada</i>
<i>Guatemala</i>	<i>Guinea</i>
<i>Guinea Bissau</i>	<i>Guyana</i>
<i>Haiti</i>	<i>Honduras</i>
<i>Hungary</i>	<i>Iceland</i>
<i>Indonesia</i>	<i>Ireland</i>
<i>Israel*</i>	<i>Italy</i>
<i>Jamaica</i>	<i>Japan</i>
<i>Kazakhstan</i>	<i>Kenya</i>
<i>Kiribati</i>	<i>Kuwait</i>

<i>Kyrgyzstan</i>	<i>Lao People's Democratic Republic</i>
<i>Latvia</i>	<i>Lesotho</i>
<i>Liberia</i>	<i>Liechtenstein</i>
<i>Lithuania</i>	<i>Luxembourg</i>
<i>Madagascar</i>	<i>Malawi</i>
<i>Malaysia</i>	<i>Maldives</i>
<i>Mali</i>	<i>Malta</i>
<i>Marshall Islands</i>	<i>Mauritania</i>
<i>Mauritius</i>	<i>Mexico</i>
<i>Micronesia</i>	<i>Monaco</i>
<i>Mongolia</i>	<i>Morocco</i>
<i>Mozambique</i>	<i>Myanmar</i>
<i>Namibia</i>	<i>Nepal</i>
<i>Netherlands</i>	<i>New Zealand</i>
<i>Nicaragua</i>	<i>Niger</i>
<i>Norway</i>	<i>Oman</i>
<i>Palau</i>	<i>Panama</i>
<i>Papua New Guinea</i>	<i>Paraguay</i>
<i>Peru</i>	<i>Poland</i>
<i>Portugal</i>	<i>Qatar</i>
<i>Republic of Korea</i>	<i>Romania</i>
<i>Russia</i>	<i>Rwanda</i>
<i>Saint Kitts and Nevis</i>	<i>Saint Lucia</i>
<i>Saint Vincent and the Grenadines</i>	<i>Samoa</i>
<i>San Marino</i>	<i>Sao Tome and Principe</i>
<i>Saudi Arabia</i>	<i>Senegal</i>
<i>Seychelles</i>	<i>Singapore</i>
<i>Slovakia</i>	<i>Slovenia</i>
<i>Solomon Islands</i>	<i>South Africa</i>
<i>Spain</i>	<i>Suriname</i>
<i>Swaziland</i>	<i>Sweden</i>
<i>Switzerland</i>	<i>Tajikistan</i>
<i>Thailand</i>	<i>Togo</i>
<i>Trinidad and Tobago</i>	<i>Tunisia</i>
<i>Turkey</i>	<i>Turkmenistan</i>
<i>Tuvalu</i>	<i>Uganda</i>
<i>United Arab Emirates and Northern Ireland</i>	<i>United Kingdom of Great Britain</i>
<i>United States of America</i>	<i>United Republic of Tanzania</i>
<i>Uruguay</i>	<i>Uzbekistan</i>
<i>Vietnam</i>	<i>Venezuela</i>
<i>Zimbabwe</i>	<i>Zambia</i>

****The following are allowed to enter the Philippines without a visa for a stay not exceeding fifty-nine (59) days:***

- 1. Holders of Brazil passports; and*
- 2. Holders of Israel passports*

The following are allowed to enter the Philippines without a visa for a stay not exceeding seven (7) days:

1. Holders of Hong Kong Special Administrative (SAR) passports
2. Holders of British National Overseas (BNO) passports
3. Holders of Portuguese Passports issued in Macao
4. Holders of Macao Special Administrative Region (SAR) passports

Link: <http://www.abudhabipe.dfa.gov.ph/images/Visa/No-Visa-Entry-for-30-Day-Stay-under-EO408.pdf>

FREQUENTLY ASK QUESTION

My residence visa was issued by an Emirate outside of the Emirate of Abu Dhabi (Dubai, Fujairah, Sharjah, etc.), can I file my application in the Philippine Embassy in Abu Dhabi?

No. You may file your application only at the Philippine Consulate in Dubai, UAE.

I am married to a Filipina. Under your regulation I am a restricted national, will I be eligible for a permanent residence visa?

No, However, you may apply for Temporary Resident Visa (TRV). This is issued to an applicant who, despite the absence of immigration reciprocity between his country and the Philippines, contracts a valid marriage with a Philippine citizen.

Who are qualified for TRV?

An alien spouse and unmarried children under 21 years old of any Philippine citizen may apply for TRV.

What is the validity of my TRV Visa?

TRV is valid for a probationary period of one (1) year. Thereafter, it may be extended every two (2) years.

What are the benefits of a TRV holder?

Once you have this visa you may now:

- * be employed in the Philippines
- * lease real property
- * own personal property
- * qualify for Philippine citizenship, after residence of five years.

Link: http://immigration.gov.ph/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=17&Itemid=37

My child holds a foreign passport and will travel with my Filipino wife/husband, do I need to apply a Philippine visa for my child?

Yes, you need to apply for a Philippine visa even if one of the parents is a Filipino. However, if your country is included in the list of non-entry required visa (please refer to the list given on the other page), you can proceed to the Philippines.

Alternatively, and if the child qualifies under applicable Philippine citizenship laws, the child, if deemed a natural born Filipino, may be issued a Philippine passport.

I am holding a Travel Document, how long it will take to process my visa application?

The processing of visa application for applicant holding Travel Document will take a **MINIMUM** of Forty-five (45) days or more depending on the evaluation and approval of your application.

I plan to extend my visit beyond the authorized period in the Philippines, what will I do?

In case of a temporary visitor's visa holder whose stay in the Philippines will exceed the authorized period of stay, he/she will have to report to the Bureau of Immigration, secure an extension of stay and pay the corresponding immigration fees. Information on fees for extension of stay and other Immigration fees are available at the Bureau of Immigration website (www.immigration.gov.ph).