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Entry requirements into Malaysia

1. To enter Malaysia, a visitor should fulfil the following conditions:

i. Possess a Passport or Travel Document

- a. Every person entering Malaysia must possess a valid national Passport or internationally recognized Travel Document valid for travelling to Malaysia.
- b. Any person not in possession of a Passport or Travel Document which is recognized by the Malaysian Government must obtain a Document in lieu of Passport.
- c. An application for the Document in lieu of Passport can be made at any Malaysian Representative Office abroad.
- d. Holders of Travel Documents such as Certificate of Identity, Laisser Passer, Titre de Voyage, Permanent Residence Certificate must ensure that their passage to the country of origin is assured.
- e. The documents must be valid, for more than six (6) months from the date of entry.

ii. Meet Visa requirements

- a. A visa is an endorsement in a passport or other recognized travel document of a foreigner indicating that the holder has applied for permission to enter Malaysia and that permission has been granted.
- b. Foreign nationals who require a Visa to enter Malaysia must apply and obtain a Visa in advance at any Malaysian Representative Office abroad before entering the country.
- c. A Visa which has been granted is not an absolute guarantee that the holder will be allowed to enter Malaysia.
- d. The final decision lies with the Immigration Officer at the entry point.

iii. Possess a Valid return travel ticket and sufficient funds

A visitor is also required to prove his financial ability to stay in Malaysia and possess a confirmed return travel ticket or a travel ticket to a third country.

iv. Is Not a prohibited person

Any person classified under Section 8 of Immigration Act 1959/63 will not be allowed to enter Malaysia even though he/she is in possession of a valid Passport or Travel Document, Visa, travel ticket and sufficient funds.

v. Completes the arrival/departure card

- a. A visitor is required to complete the Arrival/Departure Card (Imm.26) upon arrival at any gazetted entry points. This card is obtainable at gazetted entry points, Malaysian Representative offices abroad or travel agencies.
- b. A visitor must present his/her passport together with the duly completed arrival / departure card to the Immigration officer on duty and he/she must ensure that the passport or travel document is endorsed with the appropriate pass before leaving the immigration counter.

2. Information about the Pass

Other than applications to enter the country for social or business purposes, all applications for other types of passes must be made before arrival in the country. Each application must have a sponsor who will be responsible for the foreign national's presence in the country or repatriation from Malaysia if necessary.

3. The necessity of a Pass

Foreign nationals who wish to visit Malaysia have to obtain a pass at the point of entry besides a visa (where required). This allows them to stay temporarily.

A pass is an endorsement in the passport constituting permission to stay for the approved duration

Types of Visa

The Malaysian Government issues Three (3) types of visas to foreign nationals:

1. Single Entry Visa

This is issued to foreign nationals who require a visa to enter Malaysia mainly for a social visit. It is normally valid for a single entry and for a period of three (3) months from the date of issue.

2. Multiple Entry Visa

This is issued to foreign nationals who require a visa to enter Malaysia mainly for business or government-to-government matters. It is normally valid for a period within three (3) months to twelve (12) months from the date of issue. Citizens of India and the People's Republic of China who wish to enter Malaysia for the purpose of a Social Visit are eligible to apply for the Multiple Entry Visa. The validity of the Multiple Entry Visa is one (1) year. Each entry is for 30 days only and the extension of stay is not allowed.

Conditions for the Multiple Entry Visa are:

- The applicant must show proof of sufficient funds for staying in Malaysia
- The applicant must possess a valid and confirmed return ticket
- Tour groups are not eligible to apply for Multiple Entry Visa.
- The Multiple Entry Visa costs RM100.00 for Indian Citizens and RM30.00 for citizens of the People's Republic of China.

3. Transit Visa

This is issued to foreign nationals who require a visa to enter Malaysia on transit to other countries. Foreign nationals on transit without leaving the airport premises and who continue their journey to the next destination with the same flight do not require a transit visa.

Entry Permit

Any foreign national who is not a citizen of Malaysia intending to enter and reside in Malaysia as a permanent resident may apply for an Entry Permit in accordance with Section 10, of the Immigration Act and Regulation 4, Immigration Regulations 1963. An Entry Permit is issued in the form of document.

CATEGORIES FOR ENTRY PERMIT APPLICATIONS

There are four (4) categories:

INVESTOR

- Individual with minimum USD 2 million Fixed Deposit (FD) at any Bank in Malaysia and will only be allowed for withdrawal after five (5) years.
- Spouse and child/children below the age of 18 years will also be eligible to be granted Permanent Resident after five (5) years of stay in Malaysia.
- Requires one (1) Malaysian sponsor.

EXPERT

- Individual with expertise, Talent and skill recognized as “World Class” by any International organization.
- Requires recommendation by Relevant Agency in Malaysia.
- Requires Certificate of Good Conduct from Country of Origin.
- Requires one (1) Malaysian sponsor.

PROFESSIONAL

- Professional in any fields with outstanding skills.
- Requires recommendation by relevant Agency in Malaysia.
- Requires Certificate of Good Conduct from Country of Origin.
- Requires one (1) Malaysian sponsor.
- Working in any Government Agency or Private Company in Malaysia for a minimum period of three (3) years and certified by the Relevant Agency in Malaysia.

	AGENCIES	FIELD OF EXPERTISE
	MINISTRY OF HEALTH	HEALTH AND MEDICAL
	MINISTRY OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRIES(MITI) / MALAYSIAN INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (MIDA)	INDUSTRIAL, SERVICES AND MANUFACTURING
	MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND AGRO BASE INDUSTRY	AGRICULTURE AND AGRO BASE
	MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT	MARITIME, AIR AND LAND TRANSPORTATION
	MINISTRY OF HIGHER LEARNING	HIGHER LEARNING
	MINISTRY OF SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND INNOVATION	SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND ICT
	MINISTRY OF INFORMATION, COMMUNICATION AND CULTURE	INFORMATION, COMMUNICATION, CULTURE AND ARTS
	MINISTRY OF YOUTH AND SPORTS / MALAYSIAN SPORTS COUNCIL	SPORTS
	CENTRAL BANK	BANKING AND FINANCE
	SECURITY COMMISSION	INVESTMENT AND CAPITOL

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List of Relevant Agency In Malaysia That Issue Recommendation For Permanent Residency

SPOUSE OF MALAYSIAN CITIZEN

- Married to Malaysian Citizen.
- Had been issued with Long Term Visit Pass and stay continuously in Malaysia for a period of five (5) years.
- Requires to submit “Surat Akuan Perkahwinan”
- Spouse has to be the sponsor.
- For child/children of Malaysian Citizen below age 6, parents must be the sponsor

POINT SYSTEM

- Application are open to all foreign nationals’ expert for Investor, Expert, Professional and Spouse of Malaysian Citizen.
- Application was assessed through seven (7) criteria below:

1. Age
2. Qualification
3. Duration of stay in Malaysia
4. Familiarity with the Malaysia Institute
5. The values of investments
6. Working experience in Malaysia
7. Proficiency in Bahasa Malaysia

All these criteria give marks to the Entry Permit application. Applicant who passed minimum 65 marks and above are qualified to submit the application.

Applicant are advised to make the scoring at Point System Calculator to calculate how many points you may get and indicates whether you may be eligible to apply an Entry Permit.

HOW TO APPLY

- Application in prescribe form must be submitted to Immigration Department of Malaysia
- Application must be made in Malaysia
- Requires personalized cover letter.
- Upon submission of application, applicant is required to be interviewed by the Immigration Department subject to Police Vetting.
- Recommendation by Relevant Agency in Malaysia must be submitted upon application.

Malaysia Student Visa

With the ongoing increase in influx of students seeking international education at the undergraduate and postgraduate level, many countries have gained popularity amongst prospective students with their simple student visa application process and policies. Malaysia is one such country which has become a hub for students with the easy to understand and complete Malaysia student visa application procedure.

Student Visa for Malaysia Eligibility Requirements

In order to study in Malaysia, there are a few eligibility requirements which need to be met by the applicant:

- International students must have completed at least 12 years of education.
- Students must have undergone a national or international examination recognized by the respective Ministry of Education in order to be applicable for a Malaysia student visa.
- In the situation that the student visa applicant has completed his or her prior education in an English-speaking country, scores for exams such as SAT, GRE, GMAT etc. are not required.

Apart from this, the candidate must meet the individual Malaysian institution eligibility requirements in order to be applicable for a Malaysia student visa.

Malaysia Student Visa IELTS and TOEFL Requirement

In order for an individual to obtain a student visa for Malaysia, he or she needs to meet the English language proficiency test requirements.

The student visa applicant must submit scores for either IELTS or TOEFL.

Malaysia student visa IELTS requirement

In order to pursue education in Malaysia, a candidate must have an IELTS score of at least 6.0.

Malaysia student visa TOEFL requirement

In order to study in Malaysia, a student must have the minimum TOEFL score required by the Malaysian institution of admission.

Malaysia Student Visa Checklist for Documents Required

The general documents required for an applicant to study in Malaysia and apply for a student visa are:

- A passport sized photograph with a white background and dimensions equal to 35mm * 45mm
- A copy of the applicant's passport with all data excluding the empty pages
- A copy of the offer letter from the institution of study in Malaysia
- Copies of the applicant's academic transcripts and certificates
- The applicant's Pre-arrival Medical Examination Report (Lab report and Chest X-ray report should be in English)
- A Personal Bond from the Malaysian institution of admittance
- English Language Proficiency test scores which can be either of the following:
 - PTE: Academic
 - IELTS
 - CAE
 - TOEFL
 - CPE
 - MUET

- For the renewal of a student pass to continue one's study in Malaysia, the candidate is required to produce the following documents:
- A passport sized photograph with a white background and dimensions equal to 35mm * 45mm
- A copy of the applicant's passport with all data excluding the empty pages
- Copies of all academic certificates, transcripts and/or records

Work Policy for Malaysia Student Visa Holders

- Student visa holders studying at a Malaysian institution are allowed to work part-time for at most 20 hours a week only during holidays or breaks which last longer than a duration of 7 days. Prior to taking up employment, a Malaysia student visa holder is required to submit an application to work part-time via the Malaysian institution at which the student is pursuing education.
- Malaysia student visa holders are not allowed to work as cashiers or in activities considered immoral by the Malaysian law.

Malaysia Student Visa Application Method

A student seeking admission to a Malaysian institution can easily apply for a student visa for Malaysia online through the official Education Malaysia Global Services (EMGS) online portal.

<https://educationmalaysia.gov.my/>

Student Visa Fees for Malaysia

The various Malaysia student visa fees for the student visa application differ in accordance to the type of course and the type of institution for which the student is seeking to pursue education in Malaysia for. Additionally, medical insurance is a compulsory aspect of any student visa application for a Malaysia student visa. In addition to the visa, a student seeking to study in Malaysian institutions are required to obtain an I-Kad which is an official Malaysian identification card. The cost of medical insurance has not been included in the student visa application fees given below.

Type of Malaysian Institute	Type of Course	I-Kad	Application Fee
IPTS (Private Higher Education Institute)	New Application	Self-Collect	RM 1,560
IPS (Private Education Institute)	New Application	Self-Collect	RM 1,060
IAC (International Accreditation Centers)	New Application	Self-Collect	RM 1,060
IPTA (Public Higher Education Institutions)	New Application	Self-Collect	RM 1,560

Malaysia Student Visa Renewal Requirements

- In order to renew a student visa and continue one's education in Malaysian institutions, a student is required to obtain a minimum CGPA of 2.0 and maintain his or her attendance above 80%.
- In case a student fails to meet these requirements, the institution must submit a letter of explanation in support of the candidate's student visa application for visa renewal for the candidate to continue his or her study in Malaysia.

Student Visa for Malaysia Application Dates

There are no restrictions on application dates for education in Malaysia at a Malaysian institution. An individual can apply for a Malaysia student visa at any time throughout the year.

Malaysia Student Visa Processing Time

The average processing duration for a student visa for Malaysia is around 5-6 days. This student visa application processing time may vary slightly for different situations and application center locations.

Customer Care for a Student Visa for Malaysia

In order to obtain further details regarding Malaysia student visa, eligibility, requirements, and student visa fees, students can access the official Malaysia student visa online portal established by the Malaysian Ministry of Education.

Foreign Workers

RECRUITMENT TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF FOREIGN WORKERS

- Only permitted to work in these sectors - Manufacturing, Construction, Plantation, Agriculture and Services;
- Quota of foreign workers must be obtained by employers / companies from Ministry of Home Affairs, One Stop Centre (OSC);
- Age of not less than 18 years and not more than 45 years at the time of application;
- Certified PASS for Immigration Security Clearance (ISC) at the source country; List of ISC Centres
- Certified as fit and healthy by the approved medical centre in the source countries; List of medical centre
- Not listed as foreign individuals who are prohibited from entering this country under Section 8 (3) of the Immigration Act 1959/1963

APPLICATION PROCEDURES

Phase 1 (Pre-Arrival)

Employers must first get the PASS Immigration Security Clearance (ISC) result at the ISC centre in the source countries.

Employers must first apply to the Immigration Department for a Visa with Reference (VDR) approval before employing foreign workers.

Application forms for VDR can be submitted either at the Immigration counters or online via e-Services system.

VDR application must follow this checklist:

VDR application form

Approval letter from Ministry of Home Affairs (Quota approval)

Original receipt of payment for levy

IM.12 and IM.38 Forms

Security bond - deposits / insurance guarantee / bank guarantee (insurance guarantee must be stamped and valid for at least 18 months)

Copy of the foreign workers' passports

Latest photo of the foreign workers (passports size)

Medical certificates from the medical centre in origin countries (valid for 3 month from the date of issuance)

Foreign Worker Compensation Scheme (insurance)

Insurance policy of Health Insurance Protection Scheme Foreign Workers (SPIKPA) -
Except for Plantation Sector

Foreign workers must remain in their respective countries while pending VDR approval from Malaysia Immigration Department.

Note: For Sabah and Sarawak, the approval for foreign worker's employment is governed by the State Government accordingly.

Phase 2 (Post Arrival)

Foreign workers will only be allowed to enter the country at the authorized entry points using the VDR issued by the Immigration Department and entry visa issued by the Malaysian Attachés Office in the country of origin.

Employers must ensure that the clearance process of foreign workers at the entry points is done within 24 hours from the arrival time.

The issuance of Visit Pass (Temporary Employment) [VP(TE)] to the foreign workers will only be done after they have passed the FOMEMA medical examination within 30 days which can be done at any medical centres registered with FOMEMA.

VP(TE) will be issued once the foreign worker is certified fit by clinic/ medical centre registered with FOMEMA. Failing which, the foreign worker will not be allowed to stay and work in this country. Employers are required to apply for Check Out Memo for the repatriation of the foreign worker.

Issuance of VP(TE) shall be made at the Immigration Office which issued the VDR approval letter.

EXTENSION OF VP(TE)

VP(TE) is valid for a period of 12 months. Employers can apply for VP(TE) extension 3 months before the expiry date.

Employers must ensure the extension application is made before the VP(TE) expires. Any application submitted after the expiry date will be referred to the Immigration Enforcement Division for consideration.

Application of VP(TE) extension must adhere to this checklist:

Passport of the foreign worker is still valid for 12 months and above

Application letter to extend the VP(TE)

Identification document of employee/ company representative (SSM company / Form 49 / Form B & D / Card Company Representative / Form Company representatives have endorsed / copy of the employer 's identity card)

Security bond in a form of bank guarantee / insurance guarantee / deposit (validity period of bank guarantee / insurance guarantee is at least 18 months)

Insurance policy of Health Insurance Protection Scheme Foreign Workers (SPIKPA) – except for plantation sector

Slip of Foreign Workers Compensation Scheme (FWCS)

Foreign workers must undergo medical examination and certified fit by the clinic/ medical centre registered with FOMEMA (for 2nd and 3rd year extension only).

EMPLOYMENT PERIOD AND REPATRIATION

Foreign workers are allowed to work in this country on a yearly basis up to 10 years. However, those registered under the 6P Program is allowed to work up to 3 years only.

Upon completion or termination of employment, the employers must ensure that foreign workers are deported to their origin countries by using Check Out Memo. Security bond can be claimed provided the repatriation process is done accordingly through Check Out Memo.

FEES FOR VP(TE) EXTENSION

The following fees must be paid to the Immigration Department for VP(TE) extension application:

SECTOR	LEVY (Peninsular)	LEVY (Sabah/ Sarawak)	VP(TE)	PROCESS	VISA
Manufacturing	RM1,850.00	RM1,010.00	RM60.00	RM125.00	Based on nationality
Construction	RM1,850.00	RM1,010.00	RM60.00	RM125.00	
Plantation	RM640.00	RM590.00	RM60.00	RM125.00	
Agriculture	RM640.00	RM410.00	RM60.00	RM125.00	
Services	RM1,850.00	RM1,490.00	RM60.00	RM125.00	
Services (island resort)	RM1,850.00	RM1,010.00	RM60.00	RM125.00	

Table 1: Rate of levy, VP(TE) and process fee based on different sectors

NATIONALITY	VISA (RM)	SECURITY BOND (RM)
Indonesia	15.00	250.00
Bangladesh	20.00	500.00
Pakistan	20.00	750.00
Myanmar	19.50	750.00
India	50.00	750.00
Philippines	36.00	1,000.00
Thailand	Gratis	250.00
Cambodia	20.00	250.00
Nepal	20.00	750.00

Vietnam	13.00	1,500.00
Sri Lanka	15.00	750.00

Table 2: Rates of Visa and security bond based on nationality

Payment can be made in cash or bank drafts to the "Director General Of Immigration Malaysia".

For the state office, address it to the "Director of Immigration of (the respective states)". For example; Director Of Immigration Selangor)

Foreign workers who hold the VP(TE) permit must adhere to these conditions :

- family members are not allowed to accompany or live in this country;
- must not work as front liner;
- change of employers or employment sectors is not allowed; and
- marriage is prohibited with local or foreign citizens.

ABSCONDMENT OF FOREIGN WORKERS

Foreign workers can be categorized as absconded when:
leaving work place without notifying the employers with the intention to escape; and
not returning to work place after coming back from origin country

Employers are required to notify the Immigration Department for absconded cases and must provide these documents:

- identification document of employer/company representative
- Copy of foreign worker's passport
- Foreign worker absconded form
- Valid police report

Foreign workers who commit the act of abscondment will be blacklisted by the Immigration Department.

Their security bonds will be confiscated as well.