

Visas are required by SA passport holders.

(Gulf Co-operating countries are: Qatar, Bahrain, U.A.E., Oman, Kuwait and Saudi Arabia.)

- UK citizens with right of abode in the UK do not need to obtain a visa in advance. On entry a visitors visa will be issued valid for a stay of 60 days. The visa may be renewed once for a period of 30 days. The renewal requires a sponsor.
- US citizens (tourist and business) may apply to the UAE for a 1-10 year multiple entry visa. Sponsor is required. Maximum duration of stay should not exceed 6 months per visit.
- Other passport holders to contact the Embassy Of UAE directly.

ISSUING AUTHORITY:

Embassy of U.A.E

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REQUIREMENTS:

- 1 Application form (completed)
- Copy of the first few pages of the passport
- Detailed itinerary confirming date of arrival and flight details
- Valid passport (valid minimum of 6 months)
- All applications for tourist and 96-hour visas for the UAE, must be submitted with a digital photograph of the applicant. The photograph must be in jpeg format.

NOTE:

- Nationals of Israel may not enter the UAE.
- A penalty charge per day is imposed on visitors who overstay (approx. Dh100).
- Airlines may require confirmation that the sponsor is holding a valid visa for the incoming visitor.

General Rules:

- Everyone who intends to visit the United Arab Emirates must have a sponsor, either U.A.E. national, or an expatriot being in the U.A.E. legally.
- Visit visa is for the purpose of visiting family members in the U.A.E., ie: father, brother etc.

Relatives in U.A.E. should organise the visit visas from the authorities concerned.

TYPES OF VISAS:

Visitors Visas: (Family visits & business):

Applies to tourists spending more than 14 days in Dubai. Sponsorship from any UAE resident or any company or hotel licensed to operate in the UAE.

Validity: Valid for entry within 60 days from date of issue. Can be renewed for a total stay of up to 90 days.

Tourist Visas:

May be obtained for individual tourists from: East and West Europe, USA, Canada, Australia, Thailand, Japan, Malaysia, Hong Kong citizens, South Africa, Singapore and China. Validity: 30 days.

Multiple Entry Visas (Business):

Business visitors who have a relationship with either a multinational or other reputable local establishments and who are frequent visitors to the UAE.

Validity: Six months from date of issue and the duration of each is 30 days.

Transit Visas:

Valid for up to 96 hours. Valid if passenger is travelling onwards from Dubai to another destination and not returning to the country of original departure.

The Embassy does not issue tourist visas.

PLEASE NOTE:

- Visa extensions are available for a fee.
- Embarkation and disembarkation cards are to be completed by the visitor.
- Employment is forbidden whether for remuneration or not.
- VFS will not process a Dubai visa for any UMNRS stopping in Dubai. Visa's need to be arranged through a sponsor in Dubai.

Transit Visas for the above listed countries may be issued at the Dubai International Airport upon arrival , subject to the approval of the Immigration Officials. Some airlines require that their passengers inform the airline office where their booking was made prior to departure of their intentions to avail of a transit visa . (It is the discretion of the airline whether such requests should be forwarded to their Dubai office for processing)

NOTE: Etihad Airways, in conjunction with TT Services, have a visa processing service for all Etihad passengers travelling to the UAE from South Africa.

Citizens and residents of SA, travelling on Etihad Airways to the UAE, can apply for quick and easy visa processing for the UAE. By visiting the website: www.ttuaevisas.com, Etihad Airways passengers can access a number of visa processing services including: a dedicated website to provide information, online application and status checks, a dedicated office for application collection and customer support in JNB, a nationwide courier service to collect visa applications and other facilities to suit the individual needs of the Etihad passengers.