

Visa requirement info

International Event Coordination Network

<http://www.border.gov.au/Busi/Trav/Conf>

[Note: We only have to do (register) this if someone will need a business visa (basically being paid by someone in Australia I think. If we want to confirm this we ring 131881 & then options 1,1,2,2.)]

The IECN provides free advice on visas to event organisers on the following types of events:

- business or academic meetings, conferences and seminars
- sporting tournaments, championships and games
- trade shows, expos and fairs
- cultural festivals
- religious events.

The IECN cannot assist you with personal events such as graduation ceremonies, birthday parties, weddings or attendance at interviews or exams.

Event organisers and participants

All visitors to Australia must have a valid visa to travel to and enter Australia. New Zealand and Norfolk Island passport holders do not usually need to lodge a visa application prior to their departure unless they have health and/or character concerns.

The IECN can help participants choose the appropriate visa.

How can event organisers help with the visa application process?

For the best possible chance of hosting a successful event in Australia, event organisers should:

- Register events with the IECN by completing the IECN Enquiry Form in the event planning stage or as early as possible.
- Advise participants of Australia's health and character requirements, which they will have to meet as part of the visa application process.
- Provide participants with confirmation of their registration, or a letter of invitation, to attend the event if they are not eligible to apply for an eVisitor visa or an ETA.
- Provide the IECN with a participant list.

Where you have registered your event with the IECN, contact the IECN two weeks before the event if any participants have not yet received a visa outcome.

What can event participants do to help with your visa application process?

For the best possible chance of obtaining a visa to travel to Australia to attend an event, you should:

- Determine which visa you should apply for (ETA, eVisitor, Visitor subclass 600 visa).
- Apply for your visa at least six weeks before your intended date of travel to Australia (or two weeks if you are from an ETA or eVisitor eligible country) as visa processing times may vary.
- Consider Australia's health and character requirements, which you will have to meet as part of the visa application process.
- If you are not eligible to apply for an eVisitor visa or ETA, ensure you obtain a confirmation of your registration, or a letter of invitation, to attach to your Visitor Subclass 600 visa application.
- Lodge paper-based visa applications at the Australian visa office nearest to your current country of residence.

The IECN might not be able to help if participants do not lodge their visa applications within recommended timeframes.

How can the IECN help with the visa application process?

The IECN can also provide any of the following services as required:

- updates on the progress of visa applications
- confirmation of the lodgement of visa applications by event participants
- liaison with Australian visa offices overseas to resolve issues arising in the visa application process
- letters to support bids to host events in Australia.

Confidentiality

In accordance with Australia's Privacy Act 1988, any information an event organiser or participant passes on to the department's IECN, will only be used to facilitate visa processing with the relevant office outside Australian overseas visa office.

Enquiries

For enquiries, please contact the IECN by completing the online form to register your event and receive advice.

IECN is not able to provide a list of events and conferences in Australia.

IECN Enquiry Form [Registration form]

This form is only for event organisers. Completing this form will enable the IECN to provide information and/or visa assistance.

Your Details

Name: (required)

Name of your organisation: (required)

Email: (required)

Phone: (required)

Mobile:

Fax:

Participant Details

Estimated number of international participants: (required)

Types of participants: (required)

- Attendee
- Competitor
- Performer
- Speaker
- Other (please specify)

Participant countries of passport: (required)

Afghanistan	▲
Albania	▬
Algeria	▬
American Samoa	▬
Andorra	▼

Participant countries of residence: (required)

Afghanistan	▲
Albania	▬
Algeria	▬
American Samoa	▬
Andorra	▼

To make multiple selections, hold down 'CTRL'.

Any participants under 18 years old? (required)

- Yes
- No

Event Details

Name: (required)

City: (required)

Venue:

Website:

Event Dates

From: (required)

To: (required)

DIBP: Visitors - Business Visitor (600)

Dear Client,

Thank you for contacting the Department of Immigration and Border Protection. Please see below the information as discussed.

[Requested Link](#)

Business visitor stream (subclass 600)

<http://www.border.gov.au/Trav/Visa-1/600->

[Fees](#)

<http://www.border.gov.au/Trav/Visa/Fees>

[Form](#)

<http://www.border.gov.au/Forms/Documents/1415.pdf>

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Checklist for the tourist visa

[http://www.border.gov.au/Trav/Visa-1/600-/Visitor-visa-\(subclass-600\)-Business-Visitor-Stream-document-checklist](http://www.border.gov.au/Trav/Visa-1/600-/Visitor-visa-(subclass-600)-Business-Visitor-Stream-document-checklist)

[Further links you may find useful](#)

If you are applying online (eligible passports only)

<http://www.border.gov.au/Trav/Visa/Apply/Visitor>

Health requirement for temporary entry to Australia

<http://www.border.gov.au/Trav/Visa/Health>

Processing Times

<http://www.border.gov.au/about/access-accountability/service-standards/visitor-visa-processing-times>

Statutory Declaration - Evidence of Funds

Please see the attached document. This declaration can be used when evidence of funds is being provided by a third party.

Note: Documentary evidence of funds should also be supplied.

Note: You may need a free copy of the Adobe Acrobat Reader to download forms

<http://get.adobe.com/reader/>

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**The Department of Immigration and Border Protection hopes this e-mail is useful. Please do not reply to this e-mail. If you have any further questions please call the Department of Immigration and Border Protection on:
For general enquiries - 131 881**

For citizenship enquiries - 131 880

For General Skilled Migration enquiries - 1300 364 613

Note: Whenever possible please choose to apply online by visiting <http://www.border.gov.au/Trav/Visa/Onli>

If you choose to make a paper application please do not use plastic pockets when submitting documentation. Please help the Department of Immigration and Border Protection in its environmental initiatives by submitting all documents in a single envelope.

DIBP: Visitors - eVisitor (651)

Dear Client,

Thank you for contacting the Department of Immigration and Border Protection. Please see below the information as discussed.

[Requested Link](#)

eVisitor 651

<http://www.border.gov.au/Trav/Visa-1/651->

[Application Forms](#)

Please Note:

If you intend to stay longer than 3 months you may wish to apply for a tourist visa (subclass 600)

<http://www.border.gov.au/Trav/Visa-1/600->

[Fees](#)

[There is no application charge for the eVisitor 651](#)

[Further links you may find useful](#)

To apply online

<http://www.border.gov.au/Trav/Visi/Visi/Visitor-visas/eVisitor-online-application>

Obligations of a eVisitor holder

<http://www.border.gov.au/Trav/Visa-1/651->

Processing Times

<http://www.border.gov.au/about/access-accountability/service-standards/visitor-visa-processing-times>

Fact Sheet 53

<http://www.border.gov.au/about/corporate/information/fact-sheets/53entry-system>

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DIBP: Visitors - ETA (Electronic Travel Authority - subclass 601)

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[ETA \(Electronic Travel Authority\)](#)

<http://www.border.gov.au/Trav/Visa-1/601->

[ETA \(Electronic Travel Authority\)](#)

[Fees](#)

<http://www.border.gov.au/Trav/Visa/Fees>

[Further links you may find useful](#)

If you have any criminal convictions, you should **NOT** apply for an ETA. You may wish to apply for a tourist visa (subclass 600 or e676) as a similar alternative. Contact your nearest DIBP office for further clarification Or If you intend to stay longer than 3 months you may wish to apply for a tourist visa (subclass 600

<http://www.border.gov.au/Trav/Visa-1/600->

Fact Sheet 55

<http://www.border.gov.au/about/corporate/information/fact-sheets/55eta>

To apply independently online

Please note your travel agent or airline may have already issued you an ETA.

If an ETA has recently been issued you will not be able to access your ETA details using this site and may contact the travel agent, airline or nearest DIBP office for information.

<https://www.eta.immi.gov.au/ETAS3/etas>

Acrobat Reader to download

forms.

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