### **Entry Application Categories for delegations:**

Before the competition, the entry application process for delegations is classified into three categories, as outlined below:

### 1. Visa-Exempt Entry

Competitors from visa-free countries may enter with a valid passport. Please ensure that the passport is valid for the required period and check the visa-free duration. Refer to **the VISA information for entry categories of visa-exempt countries**. The duration of the stay of Visa-Exempt ranges from 14 days, 30 days, to 90 days, starting from the day after entry. For countries with a 14-day visa-free entry, **if the stay exceeds 14 days**, please follow the **e-Visa (with e-Visa assistance) application process.** 

For more details on the Visa-Exempt, please visit the **Bureau of Consular Affairs**, **Ministry of Foreign Affairs**: (https://www.boca.gov.tw/cp-149-4486-7785a-2.html)

#### 2. e-Visa

The list of eligible countries can be found in **the VISA Information for entry categories of e-Visa countries**. Participants from these countries can apply for an evisa online.

- The e-Visa is valid for **3 months**, and applicants must ensure their passport is valid for at least **6 months** at the time of application. Entry must be completed within the e-Visa validity period.
- The e-Visa is a single-entry visa, and the maximum duration of stay in Taiwan is 30 days, which cannot be extended and converted to other types of visas.
- It is recommended that delegations apply for e-Visa starting **September 2025** to ensure sufficient validity.
- Carefully read the instructions on the official website of the Ministry of
  Foreign Affairs to avoid application errors that could result in rejection.
   Rejected applications are non-refundable.

For more details on e-Visa, please visit the **Bureau of Consular Affairs**, **Ministry of Foreign Affairs**: (https://www.boca.gov.tw/cp-181-4493-881cd-2.html)

#### 3. e-Visa (with e-Visa assistance)

Available to nationals who do not qualify for Visa-Exempt Entry or the standard e-Visa categories.

## **Application Procedure for e-Visa Assistance:**

- (1) By the end of July, delegations must confirm whether they require the e-Visa assistance for e-Visa application. Instead, delegations may apply for the appropriate visa at Chinese Taipei overseas missions.
- (2) Once the assistance procedure is completed, delegations will receive emails from the organizer starting **October 2025**. Using the **E-code** provided, **delegations should then apply for e-Visa online:** https://visawebapp.boca.gov.tw.
  - The e-Visa is valid for **3 months**, and applicants must ensure their passport is valid for at least **6 months** at the time of application.
- (3) The organizer expects to provide delegations with **invitation letters** in November for verification during entry and exit procedures.
- (4) Applicants must pay the required visa fee during the online application process. Please refer to the Bureau of Consular Affairs website for visa fees: <a href="https://www.boca.gov.tw/cp-160-7204-78395-2.html">https://www.boca.gov.tw/cp-160-7204-78395-2.html</a>. Please read the official application instructions carefully to avoid errors that may result in rejection. Rejected applications are non-refundable. Once the application is approved, applicants will receive an email with the visa approval notice and a link to print the e-Visa.
  - When checking in for the flight, the e-Visa holder is required to present a printed e-Visa and the official invitation letter issued by the organizer for verification.

For more details, visit the **Bureau of Consular Affairs**, **Ministry of Foreign Affairs**: <a href="https://www.boca.gov.tw/lp-181-2-xCat-2.html">https://www.boca.gov.tw/lp-181-2-xCat-2.html</a>.

#### **Arrival Procedures**

Within three days prior to arriving in Taiwan, please complete an online immigration arrival card on the website of the National Immigration Agency:

https://twac.immigration.gov.tw

For entry procedures at Taiwan Taoyuan International Airport, visit:

https://www.taoyuan-airport.com/entry?lang=en

For entry procedures at Taipei Songshan Airport, visit:

https://www.tsa.gov.tw/layout?id=35b0e83f-7d97-47ef-a076-b360b589c1b5&culture=2

# **APPENDIX: Entry Categories for Delegations.**

Entry Categories		Eligible Countries
Visa-Exempt Entry	Duration of stay of up to 90 days	Albania \ Andorra \ Australia \ Austria \ Belgium \ Bulgaria \ Canada \ Chile \ Croatia \ Cyprus \ Czech Republic \ Denmark \ Eswatini* \ Estonia \ Finland \ France \ Germany \ Greece \ Guatemala \ Haiti \ Holy See \ Honduras* \ Hungary \ Iceland \ Ireland \ Israel \ Italy \ Japan* \ Kosovo \ Republic of Korea \ Latvia \ Liechtenstein \ Lithuania \ Luxembourg \ Malta \ Marshall Islands* \ Monaco \ Netherlands \ New Zealand \ Nicaragua* \ North Macedonia* \ Norway \ Palau \ Paraguay \ Poland \ Portugal \ Romania \ San Marino \ Slovakia \ Slovenia \ Spain \ Sweden \ Switzerland \ Tuvalu* \ U.K. \ U.S.A*.
	Duration of stay of up to 30 days	Belize* · Dominican Republic* · Malaysia · Nauru* · St. Kitts and Nevis* · Saint Lucia* · Saint Vincent and the Grenadines · Singapore
	Duration of stay of up to 14 days (effective untill July 31, 2026)	Brunei*; Philippines*; Thailand*
eVisa		Bahrain, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Burkina Faso, Colombia X, Dominica, Ecuador, Kuwait, Mauritius, Montenegro, Oman, Panama, Peru, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Solomon Islands, Türkiye, United Arab Emirates. (XNote: Colombian passport holders must provide a valid visa or resident certificate issued by a Schengen country or a valid resident certificate or visa valid for more than 180 days issued by the United States.)
eVisa assistance for who have been invited to attend activities organized by Chinese Taipei central government agencies or Apply for the appropriate visa at Chinese Taipei overseas mission		Other Countries

- \*Visa-exempt entry only applies to foreign visitors holding formal passports (i.e., ordinary, official/service and diplomatic passports). Those holding emergency, temporary, or other informal passports or travel documents are ineligible, with the exception of those holding a Brunei Certificate of Identity.
- \*USA nationals who hold a passport, including an emergency passport, valid for the intended period of stay are eligible for visa-exempt entry.
- \*Japan nationals who hold a passport valid for the intended period of stay are eligible for visa-exempt entry.
- \*For nationals of Nicaragua, Honduras, except those holding diplomatic or official/service passports, are eligible for the visa-exemption program, with a duration of stay of up to <u>90</u> days. For nationals of Dominican Republic, except those holding diplomatic or official/service passports, are eligible for the visa-exemption program, with a duration of stay of up to 30 days.
- \*Holders of Belize, Eswatini, Nauru, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, and Tuvalu passports with *place of birth* recorded on the passport data page as Afghanistan, Iran, Iraq, Libya, Nigeria, Pakistan, the People's Republic of China, Syria, and Yemen are ineligible for the visa exemption. Holders of Honduran passports with *place of birth* recorded on the passport data page as the People's Republic of China are also ineligible for the visa exemption.
- \*A national of the Republic of the Marshall Islands shall mean any person who holds the nationality of the Republic of the Marshall Islands and is confined to the following categories: (1) a person who acquired the citizenship of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands at birth before the effective date of the Constitution of the Republic of the Marshall Islands, and has become and remains a citizen of the Republic of the Marshall Islands; or (2) a person who acquired the citizenship of the Republic of the Marshall Islands at birth, on or after the effective date of the Constitution of the Republic of the Marshall Islands.
- \*Holders of emergency or temporary passport, except those from the United States of America, should apply for a visa at Chinese Taipei overseas missions, or a landing visa after arriving Chinese Taipei.

\*For nationals of Thailand, Brunei, the Philippines, the visa-exemption program, with a duration of stay of up to 14 days is valid until July 31, 2026. Further updates will be announced by the Bureau of Consular Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

\*Holders of Thailand, Brunei, the Philippines passports must have proof of accommodation (hotel) booking, host/sponsor's contact information and sufficient travel funds.

- For any matters not covered above, the latest information on the Bureau of
   Consular Affairs website shall prevail: <a href="https://www.boca.gov.tw/lp-149-2.html">https://www.boca.gov.tw/lp-149-2.html</a>.
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