# **VISA**

# **Types of Visa**

The applicants may apply for a visa at the Royal Thai Embassy with appropriate type according to purposes of visit to Thailand.

#### 1. Transit Visa

This type of visa is issued to applicants who wish to enter the Kingdom for the following purposes:

- To travel in transit through the Kingdom in order to proceed to the country of destination or to reenter his/her own country (category "TS")
- To participate in sports activities (sportsmen, sportswomen, etc.) (category "S")
- The person in charge or crew of a conveyance coming to a port, station or area in the Kingdom (category "C")

## **Documents Required**

- Visa application form completed filled out (with 2 signatures)
- Passport of travel document with validity not less than 6 months, photocopy of passport (front page) and photocopy of Brunei I.C.
- Recent (4x6 cm/passport size) photograph of the applicant
- Evidence of travel to Thailand (confirmed air ticket paid in full)
- Evidence of adequate finance (10,000 Baht per person and 20,000 Baht per family)
- Visa of third country in passport or travel document
- Letter on invitation stating the application's participation in sports activities in the Kingdom
- Consular officers reserve the rights to request additional documents as deemed necessary.

Visa Fee: 40 Brunei Dollars (BND) per Entry

Validity of Visa: 3 months

<u>Period of Stay</u>: Travelers entering to Thailand with this type of visa will be permitted to stay in the Kingdom for a period not exceeding 30 days.

Extension of Stay: Those who wish to stay longer or may wish to change their type of visa must file an application for permission at the Office of Immigration Bureau located on Government Centre B, Chaengwattana Soi 7, Laksi, Bangkok 10210, Tel: 02-141-9889 (or at http://www.immigration.co.th). The extension of stay as well as the change of certain type of visa is solely at the discretion of the Immigration officer.

#### 2. Tourist Visa

This type of visa is issued to applicants who wish to enter the Kingdom for the following purposes:

- To enter the Kingdom for tourism purposes (category "TR")
- To seek a medical treatment in the Kingdom. (category "MT")

# **Documents Required**

- Visa application form completed filled out (with 2 signatures)
- Passport or travel document with validity not less than 6 months, photocopy of passport (front page) and photocopy of Brunei I.C.
- Recent (4x6 cm/passport size) photograph of the applicant
- Evidence of travel from Thailand (air ticket paid in full)
- Evidence of adequate finance (20,000 Baht per person and 40,000 Baht per family)
- Letter from the hospital in Thailand, medical history, medical certificates (Category "MT")
- Consular officers reserve the rights to request additional documents as deemed necessary.

Visa Fee: 50 Brunei Dollars (BND) for Single Entry

250 Brunei Dollars (BND) for Multiple Entries

Validity of Visa: 3 months for Single Entry

6 months for Multiple Entries

<u>Period of Stay</u>: Upon arrival, travelers with this type of visa will be permitted to stay in Thailand for a period of not exceeding 30 days or 60 days.

Extension of Stay: Those who wish to stay longer or may wish to change their type of visa must file an application for permission at the Office of Immigration Bureau located on Government Centre B, Chaengwattana Soi 7, Laksi, Bangkok 10210, Tel: 02-141-9889 (or at http://www.immigration.co.th). The extension of stay as well as the change of certain type of visa is solely at the discretion of the Immigration officer.

Travelers entering to Thailand with Tourist visa (category "MT") are permitted to stay in the Kingdom for a period not exceeding 60 days. Extension of stay for an additional 30 days also can be requested from the Office of Immigration Bureau.

## 3. Non-Immigrant Visa

This type of visa is issued to applicants who wish to enter the Kingdom for the following purposes:

To perform official duties (category "F").

- To conduct business / to work (category "B").
- To invest with the concurrence of the Thai Ministries and Government Departments concerned (category "IM").
- To invest or perform other activities relating to investment, subject to the provision of the established laws on investment promotion (category "IB").
- To study, to come on a work study tour or observation tour, to participate in projects or seminar, to attend a conference or training course, to study as a foreign Buddhist monk (category "ED").
- To work as a film producer, journalist or reporter (category "M").
- To perform missionary work or other religious activities with the concurrence of the Thai Ministries of Government Departments concerned (category "R").
- To conduct scientific research or training or teaching in a research institute (category "RS").
- To undertake skilled work or to work as an expert or specialist (category "EX").
- Other activities (category "O") as follows: To stay with the family, to perform duties for the state enterprise or social welfare organizations, to stay after retirement for the elderly, to receive medical treatment, to be a spot coach as required by Thai Government, to be a contestant or witness for the judicial process.

#### **Documents Required**

- a) The applicants must submit the following relevant documents depending on the purpose of their visit.
- Visa application form completed filled out.
- Passport or travel document with validity not less than 6 months. The validity of 18 months is required for one year visa application, photocopy of passport (front page) and photocopy of Brunei I.C.
- (4x6 cm/passport size) photograph of the applicant, taken within the past six months.
- Evidence of adequate finance (20,000 Baht per person and 40,000 Baht per family).
- Birth Certificate ("O").
- Certificate of Marriage or its equivalents ("O").
- Transcript / Letter of acceptance from the concerned schools / universities or institutes ("ED").
- Letter from Thailand's Board of Investment ("IB").
- Official Note certifying the purpose of travel from the Government Agencies / Embassies and Consulates / International Organizations / State Enterprise in Thailand. ("F" / "B" / "ED" / "M" / "R" ) Letter of approval from the Ministry of Labour (To obtain this letter, the prospective employer in Thailand is required to submit Form WP3 at the Office of Foreign Workers Administration, Department of Employment, Ministry of Labour Tel. 02-2452745, 02-2453209 or at a Provincial Employment Office in the respective province. Further Information is available at www.doe.go.th/workpermit/index.html) ("B").

- Letter from a company stating the objective of the visit to Thailand ("B").
- Document showing correspondence with trading partners in Thailand. ("B") Letter of invitation from companies qualified to employ foreigners. ("B")
- Employment contract indicating rationale for employing the applicant as well as his/her salary, position and qualifications (document must be signed by authorized managing director and affixed the seal of the company) ("B").
- Copy of Work Permit issued by the Ministry of Labour (only in case the applicant has previously worked in the Kingdom) ("B").
- Copy of corporate documents" namely 1) list of shareholders 2) business registration and business license 3) company profile 4) details of business operation 5) list of foreign workers stating names, nationalities and positions 6) map indicating the location of the company 7) Balance Sheet, statement of Income Tax and Business Tax (Por Ngor Dor 50 and Por Ngor Dor 30) of the latest year 8) Alien income tax return (Por Ngor Dor 91) and 9) Value-added tax registration (Por Ngor Dor 20), etc. ("B").
- Copy of educational records of the applicant and letters of recommendation from the prior employers, identifying job description and length of service time ("B").
- Document indicating the number of foreign tourists (for tourism business only), or document indicating export transactions issued by banks (for export business only) ("B").
- b) The document to be submitted for non-immigrant visa application is contingent upon necessities and appropriateness of purposes stated in the application form.
- c) Consular officers reserve the rights to request additional document as deemed necessary.
- d) Copies of company documents must be signed by Board of Directors and affixed the seal of the company
- e) In the absence of a required document, a letter explaining the unavailability of such document must be provided.
- f) The applicant must sign on each page of the copy.
- g) Documents in foreign languages must be translated into Thai. If translated into English, it should be notarized by notary organs or the applicant's diplomatic / consular mission.

# Visa Fee:

90 Brunei Dollars (BND) for Single Entry

230 Brunei Dollars (BND) for Multiple Entries (1 Year)

450 Brunei Dollars (BND) for Multiple Entries (3 Years)

Validity of Visa: 3 months or 1 year or 3 years

<u>Period of Stay</u>: The holders of this type of visa are initially granted a period of stay in the Kingdom not exceeding 90 days unless otherwise instructed by the Office of Immigration Bureau.

<u>Extension of Stay</u>: Those qualified persons can obtain an additional one year stay permit counting from the date of entry in the Kingdom pertaining to the Office of Immigration Bureau's regulations on extension of stay. The extension of stay is at the discretion of the immigration Officer.

N.B. Applicants wishing to stay in the Kingdom longer than 90 days have to file their application either at the Thai consular mission aboard or at the Office of immigration Bureau in Bangkok located on Government Centre B, Chaengwattana Soi 7, Laksi, Bangkok 10210. Tel: 02-141-9889 or website at http://www.immigration.go.th. The consular officer must refer the case to the Office of Immigration Bureau for approval. Upon receiving approval, the consular officer may issue the visa as instructed by the Bureau.

## 4. Diplomatic / Official Visa

Upon official request, Thai Embassies and Consulates-General may grant visas to diplomatic or official passport-holders who wish to assume duties at a foreign Diplomatic Mission or Consulate or International Organization in the Kingdom and to their family members.

Supporting documents are Note Verbal and/or documents issued by the foreign government or international organization, certifying the identity of the person concerned and his/her purposes while residing in the Kingdom.

#### 5. Courtesy Visa

Upon official request, Thai Embassies and Consulates-General may grant courtesy visas to diplomatic/official/ordinary passport-holders who wish to enter the Kingdom on official duty and/or other purposes.

Supporting documents are documents issued by the government agency, foreign government or international organization, certifying the identity of the person concerned and his/her purposes while visiting the Kingdom.

### 6. Non-Immigrant Visa "O-A" (Long Stay)

This type of visa may be issued to applicants aged 50 years and over who wish to stay in Thailand for a period of not exceeding 1 year without the intention of working.

Holder of this type of visa is allowed to stay in Thailand for 1 year. Employment of any kind is strictly prohibited.

### 1. Eligibility

1.1 Applicant must be aged 50 years and over (on the day of submitting application).

- 1.2 Applicant not prohibited from entering the Kingdom as provided by the Immigration Act B.E. 2522 (1979).
- 1.3 Having no criminal record in Thailand and the country of the applicant's nationality or residence.
- 1.4 Having the nationality of or permanent residence in the country where application is submitted.
- 1.5 Not having prohibitive diseases (Leprosy, Tuberculosis, drug addiction, Elephantiasis, third phase of Syphilis) as indicated in the Ministerial Regulation No. 14 B.E. 2535.
  - 1.6 Employment in Thailand is prohibited.

# 2. Required Documents

- 3 copies of completed visa application form.
- Passport with validity of not less than 18 months, photocopy of passport (front page) and photocopy of Brunei I.C.
- 3 passport-sized photos (4 x 6 cm) of the applicant taken within the past six months.
- A personal data form.
- A copy of bank statement showing a deposit of the amount equal to and not less than 800,000 Baht or an income certificate (an original copy) with a monthly income of not less than 65,000 Baht, or a deposit account plus a monthly income totalling not less than 800,000 Baht.
- In the case of submitting a bank statement, a letter of guarantee from the bank (an original copy) is required.
- A letter of verification issued from the country of his or her nationality or residence stating that the applicant has no criminal record (verification shall be valid for not more than three months and should be notarised by notary organs or the applicant's diplomatic or consular mission).
- A medical certificate issued from the country where the application is submitted, showing no prohibitive diseases as indicated in the Ministerial Regulation No.14 (B.E. 2535) (certificate shall be valid for not more than three months and should be notarised by notary organs or the applicant's diplomatic or consular mission).
- In the case where the accompanying spouse is not eligible to apply for the Category 'O-A' (Long Stay) visa, he or she will be considered for temporary stay under Category 'O' visa. A marriage certificate must be provided as evidence and should be notarised by notary organs or by the applicant's diplomatic or consular mission.

# 3. Channels to submit application

Applicant may submit their application at the Royal Thai embassy or Royal Thai Consulate-General in their home/residence country or at the Office of the Immigration Bureau in Thailand located on Government Center B, Chaengwattana Soi 7, Laksi, Bangkok 10210, Tel 0-2141-9889.

#### 4. Visa fee

230 Brunei Dollars (BND) for Multiple Entries

- 5. Recommendations for foreigners with Non-Immigrant Visa "O-A" (Long Stay) while staying in the Kingdom
- 5.1 Upon arrival, holder of this type of visa will be permitted to stay in Thailand for 1 year from the date of first entry.
- 5.2 At the end of the 90-day stay, the foreigner must report to the immigration officer in his or her residence area and report again every 90 days during his or her stay in Thailand. The foreigner may report to the police station if there is no immigration office in his or her residence area.
  - 5.3 Foreigner may report to the competent authority by post and should provide the following:
  - A report form (Tor Mor 47).
- A copy of passport pages showing the foreigner's photo, personal details, and the latest arrival visa stamp.
  - A copy of the previous receipt of acknowledgement.
  - A self-addressed envelope with postage affixed.

Such documents must be sent to the Immigration Division 1, 120 Moo 3, Government Center B, Chaengwattana Soi 7, Laksi, Bangkok 10210 and must be submitted 7 days before the end of every 90-day period. A receipt of acknowledgement will be given and should be used for future correspondence.

5.4 Foreigner who wishes to extend his or her stay shall submit a request for extension of stay at the Office of the Immigration Bureau with documented evidence of money transfer or a deposit account in Thailand or an income certificate showing an amount of not less than 800,000 Baht or an income certificate plus a deposit account showing a total amount of not less than 800,000 Baht. A one-year extension of stay shall be granted at the discretion of the immigration officer to the foreigner as long as he or she meets the above requirements