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## Eligibility for Work Permit for performing artiste

Eligible employers can hire foreign performing artistes to work in public entertainment outlets such as bars, hotels and nightclubs.

### Who can apply

If you want to hire a foreign performing artiste to work in Singapore, your business must:

- Have a CAT 1 **Public Entertainment Licence**  issued by the Singapore Police Force.
- Operate at least 6 hours a day.
- Be classified as a bar, discotheque, lounge, nightclub, pub, hotel, private club or restaurant.
- Employ at least one local employee who earns the **Local Qualifying Salary**.

### Quota and levy

The number of performing artistes that you can hire is limited by a quota and subject to a levy.

You can employ **up to 8** foreign performing artistes. Larger outlets can employ **up to 12** foreign artistes on a case-by-case basis.

You will also need to pay a **foreign worker levy** for each artiste, depending on how many you hire:

Number of artistes	Monthly levy
First 8 artistes	\$450
9 and above	\$750

#### Note

If you fail to maintain at least 1 local employee, you will be charged higher levy for all your artistes.

### Eligibility

#### Source countries/regions

Foreign performing artistes are not subject to source country/region restriction.

#### Age when applying

The minimum age for all non-domestic foreign workers is 18 years old.

## Maximum period of employment

The maximum duration of the Work Permit for performing artistes is 6 months.

## Other restrictions

- Foreign performing artistes are not allowed to hold another Work Permit (even for another occupation) **for 1 year** after they stop work as a performing artiste.
- Foreign performing artistes must only perform jobs related to stage performance, such as singing and dancing. They cannot be deployed to carry out any other jobs within the same business.
- There are also specific activities that are not allowed under **SPF's Entertainment Licensing Conditions** [↗](#), such as mingling with customers.

### Note

Successful candidates will also need to meet **vaccination requirements** to get their pass issued.

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