

General Requirements for Long Stay Visa

Note: Please be advised all documents should be printed in a4 paper

1. Passport, (valid for at least 30 days after the intended stay/departure date from South Africa; at least Two unused/blank visa pages) New and Old Passport.
2. Two recent (not older than 30 days/1 month) passport size, (35mm x 45mm of the picture) photographs
3. Fully completed visa application form 8 (DHA 1738) – must be completed in black ink and block letters.
4. Application form 8 must be signed by the applicant and signature should match the signature on the passport. [Click here](#)
5. Vaccination certificate, (yellow fever) if applicant will travel through or stay in yellow fever belt. For the latest Yellow Fever Policy please [click here](#)
6. Proof of financial – 3 months bank statement, certified by bank and not older than 7 days from the time of application. Incomplete applications will not be accepted.
7. One way airline ticket reservation. No fixed flight arrangements should be made until the visa has been attained.
8. Copies of passport bio-data pages
9. Original covering letter signed by the applicant stating the name, passport number of applicant(s) and duration of visit. Letter must have the physical address, as well as contact details of authorized signature's name, designation and signature (should clearly mention who will bear the expenses of the trip), outlining the purpose and duration of visit. Letter must be certified / notarized.
10. Police clearance certificate issued by the police or security authority of a country where the applicant resided for longer than 12 months in the last 5 years prior to submitting the current application , which certificate shall not be older than six months at the time of its submission.
11. Original Biometric Fingerprint form.
12. Medical and Radiological result and form.

Additional supporting documents in respect of a study visa:

	Attached	
	Yes	No
An official letter confirming provisional acceptance or acceptance at that learning institution and the duration of the course.		
An undertaking by the Registrar or Principal of the learning institution to- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) provide proof of registration as contemplated in the relevant legislation within 60 days of registration; or (ii) In the event of failure to register by the closing date, provide the Director-General with a notification of failure to register within 7 days of the closing date of registration; (iii) Within 30 days, notify the Director-General that the applicant is no longer registered with such institution; and (iv) Within 30 days, notify the Director-General when the applicant has completed his or her studies or requires to extend such period of study 		
In the case of a learner under the age of 18 years- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) an unabridged birth certificate; (ii) a valid passport; (iii) proof of physical address and contact number of the adult person residing in the Republic, who is acting or has accepted to act as such learner's guardian, including a confirmatory letter from that guardian; and (iv) proof of consent for the intended stay from both parents, or where applicable, from the parent or legal guardian who has been issued with a court order granting full or specific parental responsibilities and rights or legal guardianship of the learner. 		
In the case of a foreign state accepting responsibility for the applicant in terms of a bilateral agreement, a written undertaking from such foreign state to pay for the departure of the applicant.		

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Proof of medical cover renewed annually for the period of study with a medical scheme registered in terms of the Medical Schemes Act.		
an undertaking by the parents or legal guardian that the learner will have medical cover for the full duration of the period of study		
Proof of sufficient financial means available to the learner whilst resident in the Republic.		