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Necessary documents for applying Russian visa

Required documents		Type of visa						
		Tourist	Business	Transfer	Study	Cultural	Private	Work
1	Application form	V	V	V	V	V	V	V
2	Visa support (invitation)	Note 4	V		V	V	V	V
3	Tourist confirmation voucher	Note 1						
4	Passport (original and copy) must be valid for at least 6 months after the visa expiry date	V	V	V	V	V	V	V
5	ID copy (for non-Taiwan citizens copy of ARC)	V	V	V	V	V	V	V
6	One 2-inch photo made during last 6 months	V	V	V	V	V	V	V
7	Business Name Card or Employment Certificate(original)		V					V
8	Visa to a third country (if needed) and tickets to and from Russia (air or train)			V				
9	English-version hardcopy of AIDS-test (original), made during last 3 months				Note 3		Note 4	Note 3

Tourist visa: Tourist invitation letter and voucher from the legally registered tour operator (listed in the Unified Federal Register of tour operators).

The tour operator can provide single/double entry (up to 3 months) or multiple entry (up to 6 months) invitation letter depending on the foreigner should apply for a qualified Tourist invitation letter according to their itinerary. **Specially reminded** that the total period of a foreigner's stay in Russia may not exceed 90 days during each period of 180 days.

ATTENTION:

a. Holders of Taiwanese passports should have their nationality listed as "Taiwan, China"(in English) or "Тайван Китай" (in Russian)

b.Time required to process a single/double entry visa is 5 working days, for multiple entry visa - 10 working days.

Business visa: You should present invitation or electronic invitation issued by Russian Foreign Ministry or by the General Administration for Migration Issues of the Russian Ministry of Internal Affairs (ex-Federal Migration Service) or its branch .Your visa can be valid for up to one year.

Transfer visa: No need to present invitation. You should present a visa to a third country (if needed) and air or train tickets to and from Russia. Please be advised that if you transfer thru the territory of Russian Federation by air your transfer visa will be valid for up to three days.

Study visa: You should present invitation or electronic invitation issued by Russian Foreign Ministry

or by the General Administration for Migration Issues of the Russian Ministry of Internal Affairs (ex-Federal Migration Service) or its branch. Non-first time student visa applicant must submit the most recent enrollment certificate and transcript provided by Russian schools while studying in Russian. First time student visa applicant is except from this policy.

Cultural/private visa: Inviting company or authority, or Your relative in Russia should apply for invitation issued by Russian Foreign Ministry or by the General Administration for Migration Issues of the Russian Ministry of Internal Affairs (ex-Federal Migration Service) or its branch.

Work visa: You should present invitation or electronic invitation issued by Russian Foreign Ministry or by the General Administration for Migration Issues of the Russian Ministry of Internal Affairs (ex-Federal Migration Service) or its branch.

% Regulation regarding passport validity

- (1) Tourist, Business, Transfer, Cultural/Private visa: Your passport should be valid for at least 6 months, counting from the day your visa expired.
- (2) Study, Work visa: Your passport should be valid for at least 18 months, counting from the first day your visa comes into effect.

※ Additional regulations

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Note.1	That the compulsory migration registration of a foreign tourist is made by the hotel. If the hotel reservation is cancelled, the Ministry of Internal Affairs of the Russian Federation will not have information about the foreign citizen's migration registration, which will lead to the cancellation of the visa. And a foreign citizen may be held administratively liable, as well as receive prohibition on entry in accordance with Art. 27 of the Federal Law "On the procedure for leaving the Russian Federation and entering the Russian Federation".
Note.2	All EU-citizens should also present valid in Russia insurance policy (insurance coverage should be more than 30,000 EUR)
Note.3	 Please note that if you apply for study, work visa or you intend to stay you should present a hardcopy of HIV Test (AIDS) Certificate in English. Please note that the validity of this document is three months. The content of the report must have following list: The basic information of the applicant (passport English name/ID/birth date), The information of the major hospital or laboratory (contact phone number, the doctor's name and doctor's stamp or signature. The test result must display "Negative" or "No reaction".
Note.4	 Please note that if you apply for Multiple entries Private visa, you should present a hardcopy of HIV Test (AIDS) Certificate in English. Please note that the validity of this document is three months. The content of the report must have following list: The basic information of the applicant (passport English name/ID/birth date), The information of the major hospital or laboratory (contact phone number, the doctor's name and doctor's stamp or signature. The test result must display "Negative" or "No reaction".

	Russian citizens are able to apply visas for their family members by visiting MTC in person to fill out an application form. Please refer to this link for more details: http://mtc.org.tw/new/ru/consular/viza-v-rossiyu.php
Note.5	If you apply for Russian visa, we don't accept your second passport. Your are not allowed to use old and new passport at the same time.
Note.6	Russian visa can be applied 3 months before your arrival date to Russia.
Note.7	Please note that if a person is younger than 16 years old and is travelling without his parents, they should present written consent along with passport copies of both parents.
Note.8	If a travelling person is younger than 16 years old and doesn't have ID, he should present Household registration transcript (only for Taiwanese citizens).
Note.9	Applying for a visa visiting the following Russian cities would need 10 working days: Kizlyar (Кизляр),Makhachkala (Махачкала), Republic of North Ossetia- Alania (Республика Северная Осетия-Алания).Vladikavkaz (Владикавка́з), Ingushetia(Ингуше́тия)
Note.10	 For transferring a valid Russian visa from one's old passport into the new one, one must prepare the following documents: Valid visa present on the original old passport Both the original new passport and its photocopy Photocopy of previously submitted invitation Application form (please fill out new passport information) Photocopies of both the front and the back of ID card An 2-inch ID photo that is taken within six months and with white background (Please refer to Russia visa fee's link.) It would take at least seven days to process such request. In other words, no three-day option is available.)