

Types of Visas to Stay in Thailand

Visa On Arrival (VOA) is available to 188 nationalities so that prior approval for a short stay of up to 30 days is not required.

There are two ways to get a visa to stay in Thailand for 90 days or more.

Visas for stays of 90 days or 1 year can be obtained at the Bangkok Immigration Bureau in Chang Watana, at the Chonburi Immigration Bureau on Jomtien Soi 5 in Pattaya, or at any other Immigration Bureau in Thailand. Visas issued allow continuous stay without having to leave Thailand until the visa expires.

Visas can also be issued at any Thai Consulate and are valid for up to one year. A maximum of 90 days will be stamped in the passport on arrival at an immigration check point at all border crossings and international airports. Within 90 days the visa holder must leave Thailand. He or she may reenter at any time within the visa validation period and stay continuously for up to 90 days each visit.

1. Retirement Visa

Required Documents

1. Immigration form 7 (Tor Mor 7) available at any Immigration office or at www.immigration.go.th
2. Copy of current passport not expiring before the term of visa
3. Photograph 4 cm. X 6 cm. in size, full face, do not smile, keep hair out of face
4. Pay a 1,900 baht application fee
5. Provide Financial Evidence:
 - a. Bank account passbook and a recent bank statement provided from your bank
 - b. Evidence showing reception of pension accompanied with Thai translation certified by the embassy or consulate of the country from where the pension is paid
 - c. Evidence presenting other sources of income and/or an Inward Transfer Document of money transferred from overseas to your bank account in Thailand
6. Evidence indicating relationship of dependents (husband / wife, children). Evidence must be translated into Thai and be certified by the embassy or consulate of the non-Thai citizens.
7. Recent Health Certificate within 30 days. The Health Certificate must indicate that the applicant does not have the following serious conditions:
 - a. Leprosy
 - b. Tuberculosis, TB
 - c. Elephantiasis, Filariasis
 - d. Drug addiction
 - e. Alcoholism
 - f. Syphilis, HIV or AIDS
8. The officials reserve the rights to examine or ask for additional documents, if necessary.

Applications Consideration

1. Must be older than 50 years old.
2. Not be a prohibit person due to criminal record or otherwise.
3. Financial documents must state one of the following:
 - a. A deposit of 800,000 baht at least, or
 - b. A minimum income of 65,000 baht a month, or
 - c. A deposit pluses (monthly income x 12) not less than 800,000 baht.

2. Married to Thai citizen or a person who is a permanent resident of the Kingdom of Thailand

2.1 Thai Wife

Required Documents

1. Immigration form 7 (Tor Mor 7) available at any Immigration office or at www.immigration.go.th
2. Copy of current passport not expiring before the term of visa
3. Photograph 4 cm. X 6 cm. in size, full face, do not smile, keep hair out of face
4. Pay a 1,900 baht application fee
5. Thai Marriage Certificate or evidence of recognized marriage outside of Thailand translated into Thai and certified by the embassy or consulate of the country of marriage.
6. Birth Certificate of children of your spouse and yours (if any)
7. Financial evidence showing financial status of the husband:
 - a. Bank account passbook, personal bank statement of the account owner.
 - b. Evidence indicating income along with related documents. If receiving pension, a document of pension payment certified by the embassy or consulate of the country that pays pension is needed.
 - c. In case of working in Thailand, Work permit and evidence of tax payment are required.
8. Documents indicating Thai nationality or permanent residence of the wife such as identification card (batprachachon), census registration address / residence identification, or passport (in case that the wife is a permanent resident)
9. A record of interviewing the applicant and his wife.
10. Applicant must accompany his wife to the Immigration Bureau office to certify of all the documents. The couple will be able to confirm that they are still husband and wife.
11. Evidence certified by the applicant's embassy or consulate showing the applicant's marital status.
12. The officials reserve the rights to examine or ask for additional documents from the applicant if necessary.

2.2 Wife of Thai nationality:

Required Documents

1. Immigration form 7 (Tor Mor 7) available at any Immigration office or at www.immigration.go.th
2. Copy of current passport not expiring before the term of visa
3. Photograph 4 cm. X 6 cm. in size, full face, do not smile, keep hair out of face
4. Pay a 1,900 baht application fee
5. Thai Marriage Certificate or evidence of recognized marriage outside of Thailand translated into Thai and certified by the embassy or consulate of the country of marriage.
6. House register and identification card of wife
7. Birth Certificate of children of your spouse and yours (if any)
8. Interview record of applicant and wife
9. Applicant must accompany his wife to the Immigration Bureau office to certify of all the documents. The couple will be able to confirm that they are still husband and wife.
10. Financial documentation:
 - a. Bank statement and copy of bank account showing at least 400,000 Baht deposit
 - b. Employment evidence, work permit, and tax documentation showing an income of at least 40,000 Baht.

2.3 Wife permanent resident of Thailand:

Required Documents

1. Immigration form 7 (Tor Mor 7) available at any Immigration office or at www.immigration.go.th
2. Copy of current passport not expiring before the term of visa
3. Photograph 4 cm. X 6 cm. in size, full face, do not smile, keep hair out of face
4. Pay a 1,900 baht application fee
5. Marriage Certificate or evidence of recognized marriage outside of Thailand translated into Thai and certified by the embassy or consulate of the country of marriage.
6. Passport copy of wife, residence documents of wife
7. Birth Certificate of children of your spouse and yours (if any)
8. Interview record of applicant and wife
9. Applicant must accompany his wife to the Immigration Bureau office to certify of all the documents. The couple will be able to confirm that they

are still husband and wife.

10. Documentation of financial position of wife, such as:

- a. Bank account
- b. Bank statement
- c. Employment evidence, salary statement, etc.

11. Tax documents (if any)

12. The officials reserve the rights to examine or ask for additional documents from the applicant if necessary.

2.4 Husband who has Thai Nationality

Required Documents

1. Immigration form 7 (Tor Mor 7) available at any Immigration office or at www.immigration.go.th
2. Copy of current passport not expiring before the term of visa
3. Photograph 4 cm. X 6 cm. in size, full face, do not smile, keep hair out of face
4. Pay a 1,900 baht application fee
5. Marriage Certificate or evidence of recognized marriage outside of Thailand translated into Thai and certified by the embassy or consulate of the country of marriage
6. A copy of Census Registration, a copy of Identification Card
7. Birth Certificate of children of your spouse and yours (if any)
8. A record of interviewing the applicant and her husband
9. Applicant must accompany her husband to the Immigration Bureau office to certify of all the documents. The couple will be able to confirm that they are still husband and wife.
10. The officials reserve the rights to examine or ask for additional documents from the applicant if necessary.

2.5 Husband who has Permanent Resident

Required Documents

1. Immigration form 7 (Tor Mor 7) available at any Immigration office or at www.immigration.go.th
2. Copy of current passport not expiring before the term of visa
3. Photograph 4 cm. X 6 cm. in size, full face, do not smile, keep hair out of face
4. Pay a 1,900 baht application fee
5. Thai Marriage Certificate or evidence of recognized marriage outside of Thailand translated into Thai and certified by the embassy or consulate of the country of marriage.
6. Birth Certificate of children of your spouse and yours (if any)
7. Financial evidence showing financial status of the husband
 - a. Bank account passbook, personal bank statement of the account owner.
 - b. Evidence indicating income along with related documents. If receiving pension, a document of pension payment certified by the embassy or consulate of the country that pays pension is needed.
 - c. In case of working in Thailand, Work permit and evidence of tax payment are required.
8. Documents indicating Thai nationality or permanent residence of the wife such as identification card (batprachachon), census registration address / residence identification, or passport (in case that the wife is a permanent resident)
9. A record of interviewing the applicant and his wife.
10. Applicant must accompany his wife to the Immigration Bureau office to certify of all the documents. The couple will be able to confirm that they are still husband and wife.
11. Evidence certified by the applicant's embassy or consulate showing the applicant's marital status.
12. The officials reserve the rights to examine or ask for additional documents from the applicant if necessary.

3. Application for extension of stay of persons investing a minimum of 3 million Baht in the Kingdom

Required Documents

1. Evidence of transfer of at least 3 million Baht from abroad into Thailand. The applicant must be either the sender abroad or the recipient in Thailand of the investment.
2. Evidence of investing the transferred money after the transfer is completed in one or several of the following cases:

- a. Deposit the money in a fixed account of a state bank (Krung Thai Bank, Government Savings Bank, Bank for Agriculture and Cooperative, Ratanasin Bank, Srinakhorn Bank, Nakhomluang Thai Bank, Housing Bank)
- b. Buy bonds issued by a state agency or government enterprise. The bonds must be purchased directly from a state agency or government enterprise or an authorized dealer.
- c. Buy an apartment or condominium at the price set and registered by the Land Department.
- d. Any kind of investment deemed beneficial to the country by the Immigration Bureau.

Conditions for permission

The foreign national must permanently possess the investment. If he wishes to change the kind of investment, he first has to ask for permission to change the kind of investment and may then change to a new permanent kind of investment.

4. Tourist visa

Required documents

1. Immigration form 7 (Tor Mor 7) available at any Immigration office or at www.immigration.go.th
 - a. Copy of current passport not expiring before the term of visa
 - b. Photograph 4 cm. X 6 cm. in size, full face, do not smile, keep hair out of face
 - c. Pay a 1,900 baht application fee
 2. Documents required for special cases:
 - a. Hospital certificate stating the doctor's examination with the following details:
 - Kind of illness,
 - Whether/How the illness prohibits traveling.
 3. Visa Stamp
 - a. Foreigners applying for the first time for an extension of stay are given a 30 day extension from the date of expired of the original admission, except for citizens of Sri Lanka, India, Pakistan, Iran, Bangladesh, Nepal, Nigeria, Togo, and Uganda, whose application for extension of stay will not be approved and the applicants are ordered to leave the kingdom within seven days.
 - b. If a foreigner wishes to apply for a second extension after being admitted to the Kingdom for 90 days:
 - The applicant is asked to report to the immigration office again in 15-30 days from the date of application, according to case if he produces evidence of necessity of extension
 - The applicant is asked to report to the immigration office again in 15 days from the date of application if the applicant does not produce evidence or documentation.
 - During the period of consideration the applicant is allowed to remain in the Kingdom.
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5. Business Visa

Required Documents:

1. Immigration form 7 (Tor Mor 7) available at any Immigration office or at www.immigration.go.th
2. Copy of current passport not expiring before the term of visa
3. Photograph 4 cm. X 6 cm. in size, full face, do not smile, keep hair out of face
4. Pay a 1,900 baht application fee
5. A certified document indicating the position of the alien working in a company, department store or shop. The document has to identify the following:
 - a. Type of business
 - b. Position, income(salary and other income), education background, degree or background
 - c. Reasons for employment(Thai and alien employees)
 - d. Numbers, names, position, and salary rate of alien employees.
6. A copy of work permit or a document showing the acceptance of the request for working permission(Tor Thor 2)
7. An income tax payment document(Por Ngor Dor 1) of Thai employees(exempt for Public Company) and alien employees of the latest month.
8. Balance sheet, profit and loss account, a document of income tax payment for legal entity(Por Ngor Dor 50) of the recent year or previous year but not more than two years from this year, value added tax payment is not required)
9. In case of requesting for further stay next year, evidence of income tax payment(Por Ngor Dor 91) for the alien in the recent year is required.
10. A certified document indicating the registration of legal entity, a certificate of incorporation, company limited, or partnership limited(Form Tor

Kor 0401) or a commercial registration document(Por Por 22), a list of all shareholders(except public company, a list of all shareholders is not required)

11. In case of exportation, one must present a certified document from a bank indicating exportation or an export shipment document (Kor Sor Dor 101/1) that clears the custom process. In case of tourism, one must present a document issued by a government organization or an associate of Thai tourism showing numbers of foreign tourists or evidence of room reservation.

12. The officials reserve the rights to examine or ask for additional documents if necessary.

**** Regarding criteria in consideration, the business must be very important and beneficial to Thai people and country's economy.****

*****This business requires high investment*****