



#### **Investor visa**

An investor visa (B) is for a foreign investor or senior official holding a managerial position within a foreign-invested entity, its branch or representative office.

When issuing visas to investors, the focus is on the actual investment in Mongolia, job creation, and tax payments. In addition, a residence permit in Mongolia shall be issued and extended for a period of up to three years on the basis of a permit issued by an authorized agency, type of business activity, tax payments, lease agreements, and number of jobs created.

# The following investor category visas are issued to foreign nationals:

- a B1 visitor visa for investors of foreign invested enterprises;
- a B1-1 visitor visa for persons related to an investor of a business entity with foreign investment intentions;
- a B2 visitor visa to foreign nationals appointed as an investor's representative or holding an executive management position of a foreign-invested business entity;
- a B2-1 visitor visa for relatives of foreign citizens appointed by the investor's representative or executive management of a foreign-invested business entity;
- a "B3 visitor visa for foreign nationals working as a representative of a foreign legal entity;
- a B3-1 visitor visa is issued to a relative of an overseas citizen working as a representative of a foreign representative office.

The following link provides detailed information on how to request a visa and resident permit for overseas nationals working for a foreign-invested entity or a representative office of a foreign-invested entity and their family members.

# For further information on the investment environment, please click the link below:

https://immigration.gov.mn/en/vizijn-zvshrl/tr-iregch/hurungu-oruulagch/

#### Visas for business purposes:

A temporary business visa (K1) is granted to overseas nationals visiting Mongolia for the purposes of temporary business, representing a legal entity.

According to the revised regulations, business class visas will be issued to overseas nationals.

### For further information on how to apply for a visa for

# business purposes for up to 90 days, please visit the following link.

https://immigration.gov.mn/mn/vizijn-zvshrl/tr-iregch/tr-irekh/k1-vizijn-zvshrl-hseh/?edit\_off=true

#### Visas for employment:

"C" visas are issued in 20 different categories to overseas nationals visiting Mongolia for employment, depending on the field of employment. A work permit must be obtained before visiting Mongolia, and the time taken to secure this must be factored into the visa application process. Typically, a work permit is granted for 12 months but may be extended upon reviewing a request from the organization, work performance, and clear reasons for extending employment in Mongolia.

#### The categories of work visas include:

- a C1 visa for overseas nationals coming to work in construction, roads, bridges, and development sectors;
- a C3 visa for overseas nationals coming to work in geology, mining, oil, and energy sectors;
- a C4 visa for overseas nationals coming to work in the financial, economic, and legal sectors;
- a C11 visa for overseas nationals working in the transport sector or carrying export freight.

# For further information, please visit the following link:

https://immigration.gov.mn/en/vizijn-zvshrl/alban-bo-lon-huvijn-hergeer-orshin-suugch/91\_hudulmur/

#### **Tourist visas:**

Visa requests for visits to Mongolia of up to 30 days or less may be submitted to the Mongolian Embassy or Consulate in the foreign national's home country. Travel visas include the following categories:

- a K2 tourist visa foreign nationals visiting the country as a tourist;
- a K3 tourist visa for stays up to 3 days that will be issued to tourists near the border region by a Diplomatic Representative's Office of Mongolia;
- a K4 visa for overseas nationals visiting to participate in cultural and sports competitions and events, or to create movies and related media content;
- a K6 visa is for overseas nationals transiting through the territory of Mongolia;
- a K7 visa is for overseas nationals participating in a short-term tourism program with the opportunity to work following the international agreement of Mongolia made on equal terms with other countries;

• K2, K3, K4, and K6 visas are respectively considered visa-free travel if the travel duration is up to 30 days.

For further information, please follow the link below. <a href="https://immigration.gov.mn/en/vizijn-zvshrl/tr-iregch/tr-irekh/">https://immigration.gov.mn/en/vizijn-zvshrl/tr-iregch/tr-irekh/</a>

#### Links for understanding different visa options

## Mongolian visa application procedure

https://legalinfo.mn/mn/detail?lawld=16230721365191 &showType

#### Applying for a visa to Mongolia

https://immigration.gov.mn/en/vizijn-zvshrl/

# GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR OBTAINING A MONGOLIAN VISA

## Visas shall be issued by the following authorities:

- the Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- the Mongolia Immigration Agency
- Mongolian Embassies and Consulates in overseas territories
- Visa applications will be received through the website <u>www.evisa.mn/main or www.eimmigration.mn</u>, with a decision being made from the Immigration Agency of Mongolia

### 1. Tourist visa

Tourists are required to prepare the following documents when applying for a K2 visa for up to 30 days, either at a diplomatic mission of Mongolia abroad or at an international border crossing.

- a valid passport or a similar document (passports must be valid for at least 180 days);
- when traveling with their family members, an invitation from an authorized personelle and a request from sending organization are required
- proof of financial means during stay, including proof of purchase of both the arrival and return portions of tickets;
- receipt of stamp duty payments;
- receipt of visa fee shall be submitted to the diplomatic mission.

### Link for more information:

 $\frac{https://immigration.gov.mn/mn/vizijn-zvshrl/tr-iregch/tr-irekh/k2-vizijn-zvshrl-hseh/?edit\_off=true$ 

The Government of Mongolia has officially announced

2023-2025 as the Year to Visit Mongolia and temporarily exempted 34 foreign nationals from visa requirements for tourism in Mongolia for up to 30 days until the end of 2025 on January 4, 2023.

The visa exemption includes the following:

1.	Austria	13.	Netherlands	25.	Iceland
2.	Belgium	14.	Poland	26.	Switzerland
3.	Hungary	15.	Portugal	27.	Bulgaria
4.	Greece	16.	Slovak	28.	Ireland
5.	Denmark	17.	Slovenia	29.	Cyprus
6.	Spain	18.	Finland	30.	Romania
7.	Italy	19.	France	31.	Monaco
8.	Latvia	20.	Croatia	32.	UK
9.	Lithuania	21.	Czech	33.	Australia
10.	Liechtenstein	22.	Sweden	34.	New Zealand
11.	Luxembourg	23.	Estonia		

#### 2. Visa for business

12. Republic of Malta

### List of documents required from the sponsor:

24. Norway

- request from the sponsor organization (including details
  of the organization's areas of business activity, duration
  of the invited person's stay in Mongolia, and the location
  of visa issue must be included);
- a copy of the sponsor company's state registration certificate showing legal entity and certificate of incorporation;
- a valid passport or a similar document (passports must be valid for at least 180 days);
- other required documents such as tax statements, cooperation agreements, employment contracts, work plans and programs, etc.)
- receipt of stamp duty payments;
- · a completed application form (to be submitted online).

## Please visit the following link for more information on inviting overseas nationals for business purposes of up to 90 days:

https://immigration.gov.mn/mn/vizijn-zvshrl/tr-iregch/tr-irekh/k1-vizijn-zvshrl-hseh/?edit\_off=true

### 3. Visa requirements for investors:

List of documents required from the sponsor

- a formal written request from the sponsor organization including details of the organization's areas of activity, duration of the invited person's stay in Mongolia, and the visa issuing location must be included;
- a copy of the company's certificate of incorporation showing legal entity;

- a valid passport or a similar document (passports must be valid for at least 180 days);
- an up-to-date reference from the State authority in charge of investment affairs
- reference details showing any potential criminal record
   to be issued from the administrative office or local police authority of the overseas national's country of residence;
- recent bank statements of the visa applicant for the last 6 months;
- other required documents as may be requested, such as tax statements, cooperation agreements, employment contracts, work plan and program, etc.;
- a valid employee ID card and accreditation from the requesting organization
- receipts of stamp duty payment
- an completed application form (to be submitted online).

# To request a visa for up to 90 days, please visit the following link:

https://immigration.gov.mn/en/vizijn-zvshrl/tr-iregch/hurungu-oruulagch/

# To request a visa for over 91 days, please visit the following link:

https://immigration.gov.mn/en/vizijn-zvshrl/alban-bo-lon-huvijn-hergeer-orshin-suugch/91\_hurungu-oruulagch/

## 4. Visa for employment

- a written request from the sponsor organization, including details of the organization's areas of activity, duration of the invited person's stay in Mongolia, and the visa issuing location;
- a copy of the certification of incorporation/ state registration certificate of legal entity and certificate of licensed organization;
- a detailed job description;
- a valid passport or a similar document (passports must be valid for at least 180 days);
- proof of preliminary permission, issued by the General Agency for Labor Welfare Services;
- · other required documents, as requested;
- a valid employee ID card and accreditation from the sponsoring organization;
- receipts of stamp duty payments;

• a completed application form (to be submitted online).

Please visit the following link for further information on applying for other types of employment visas.

### To request a visa for up to 90 days:

https://immigration.gov.mn/en/vizijn-zvshrl/tr-iregch/hudulmur/

#### To request a visa for over 91 days:

https://immigration.gov.mn/en/vizijn-zvshrl/alban-bolon-huvijn-hergeer-orshin-suugch/91\_hudulmur/

## Key considerations when applying for a visa:

#### Note:

- If the visa application is rejected after a review, a rejection letter shall be delivered to the registered email address.
- The visa permit shall be valid for 60 days from the date of issuance.
- 3. A residence permit is mandatory for temporary visitors who have stayed for over 180 days within the year.
- If it is established that any documents were forged, falsely declared, or obtained a visa by a false declaration, the application may be re-submitted within 180 days, or if it is rejected on other grounds, within 30 days.

## Visa waiting times:

- Regular application: 5 business days
- Expedited (urgent): 3 business days

## Application fees:

- · Account information: (Golomt Bank: 1320000052)
- · Recipient: "Immigration Agency"
- Transaction description: Visa permit MNT2,500 (\$0.72) per person
- Regular MNT2500 (\$0.72)
- Urgent MNT5000 (1.44)

#### Responsible authority

Mongolian Immigration Agency

#### Online service:

Overseas nationals traveling to Mongolia may apply for a visa using the following website by choosing their visa category. However, the online application is accepted only for organizations inviting a foreigner.

https://eimmigration.mn/ https://www.evisa.mn/main Citizens of 36 countries included in the ""Mongolia e-visa issuance list"" can apply for e-visa from anywhere. Citizens of these countries can apply for three types of visas for up to 30 days through the e-visa system, which will be processed within 48

### Category of e-visa:

- Tourist /K2/,
- Participant in cultural and sports competitions /K4/,
- Transit passenger /K6/

## Order of e-visa application:

- 1. Visit www.evisa.mn
- 2. Fill out the visa application accurately and completely
- 3. Complete the payment
- 4. Visa application will be reviewed
- If approved, an electronic visa with a QR code containing the applicant's information will be sent to their e-mail address.

## Standard processing:

- Evisa.mn online system accepts applications 24/7
- Immigration officers will monitor visa application documents and issuance
- Applications will be processed within 3 working days or 72 hours.

#### Border entry with e-visa:

Foreign citizens can enter Mongolia carrying the printed e-visa form or on a smart device along with their passport, which will be scanned at the border control for confirmation.

## Considerations for e-visa application:

- 1. Accurately and completely fill in the electronic visa application information,
- 2. When applying for an e-visa, the passport must be valid for at least 180 days.
- 3. It is prohibited to use the e-visa for purposes other than the purpose for which it was issued.
- 4. Please note that the issuance of a visa does not guarantee entry into Mongolia.
- If you would like to watch a video tutorial on how to apply for a visa online, please refer to the link below. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xcKzMqNPq\_A

### Visa exemptions:

As of August 2021, Mongolia grants visa-free access to overseas national of 25 countries and territories.

Figure 2.1

# LIST OF OVERSEAS COUNTRIES AND TERRITORIES THAT MONGOLIA GRANTS VISA-FREE ACCESS TO



"As of August 2022, Visa exemption also applies to holders of diplomatic passports or official/service passports of 36 countries and as well as United Nations personnel.

https://consul.mn/eng/index.php?moduls=23

### Visa on arrival at international border checkpoints

A "visa on arrival" shall be applicable 14 days before an overseas national is allowed entry to Mongolia if that overseas national is from a country where there is designated Mongolian diplomatic mission or consulate.

# The following documents are required for submitting a visa on arrival request:

- Letter from the sponsoring entity, including intended date of entry into Mongolia, intended duration of stay, and name of border checkpoint where the overseas national intends to enter
- Copy of registration certificate in cases where the overseas national has made no prior application.
- A copy of a valid passport with at least six months' validity prior to entering the country.
- · Visa permit fee to be paid in advance.
- A completed application form to be submitted online.

### Notice period:

- Visas are valid for a period of 90 days from the date of issue.
- Additional documents may need to be submitted if and when required.

## Visa policy:

The individual and business organization that provides accommodation to an overseas national shall register the overseas national to the Immigration Agency of Mongolia within 48 hours after they entered into Mongolia. Registrations can be made online using the website "<a href="https://immigration.gov.mn/en/">https://immigration.gov.mn/en/</a>". Overseas visitors intending to stay in Mongolia for more than 30 days must register with the Mongolian Immigration Agency in Ulaanbaatar within the first seven days of arrival.

A residence permit is mandatory for overseas nationals visiting Mongolia intending to stay for over 90 days for official or private purposes and must apply for a permit within 21 days after entering Mongolia.

"Citizens and enterprises that invite foreign citizens and provide accommodation can register foreign citizens through the following platforms:

- Immigration.gov.mn website
- ""E-immigration"" mobile app
- · "e-Mongolia" system"

#### Figure 2.2

# REQUIRED STEPS FOR OBTAINING RESIDENCE PERMIT IN MONGOLIA

Submit an official application to the Mongolian Immigration Agency for the appropriate visa required for intended purpose of stay

You may apply for a visa either at the Mongolian Embassy or designated Consulate in your designated country, or at any Mongolian border point.

Overseas nationals must be registered to the Mongolian Immigration Agency within 7 days after entering Mongolia

Submit for a "Residence Permit" within 21 days after entering Mongolia

# **Issue of Residency Permits**

A residence permit can be obtained by submitting a written request to the Immigration Agency.

Source: Mongolian Immigration Agency Information regarding residency permits in Mongolia: https://immigration.gov.mn/mn/residence-permit/

### **Key terms**

## Who is a "foreign national" or "overseas resident"?

"Foreign national" or "overseas resident" both refer to a person who has foreign citizenship but but not Mongolian citizenship.

#### What is a sponsor?

"Sponsor" refers to citizens, business entities or organizations of Mongolia or foreign nationals legally residing in Mongolia over a 90-day period who guarantees financial resources for the puposes of inviting an overseas national to stay in Mongolia.

#### What is a transit visitor?

"Transit visitor" refers to an overseas national who is traveling between two countries through the territory of Mongolia (for example, between Russia and China).

## What is a temporary visitor?

"Temporary visitor" refers to an overseas national visiting Mongolia for up to 90 days.

## What is a Mongolian visa?

A Mongolian visa gives the overseas national permission to enter and stay in Mongolia for a certain period of time and is issued by the Mongolian Immigration Agency;

# What is visa permission?

"Visa permission" refers to the documentation that grants Mongolian diplomatic and consular missions abroad the power to issue visas to foreign nationals, as permitted by the central state administrative body in charge of external relations and the state administrative body in charge of overseas citizens.

#### What is an electronic visa?

This is an electronic document confirming the issuance of a Mongolian visa to a foreign citizen.

