

New Visa System in Myanmar

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The Ministry of Labor, Immigration and Population announced on December 1, 2016, that the visa fees for Myanmar have been increased with immediate effect. Aimed at bringing Myanmar's visa fees in line with those of other countries, the rise affects 11 out of 12 types of visas, except diplomatic visas, which will remain free of charge. Visas should be applied for prior to one's intended travel dates at the Embassies of Myanmar or at authorized agents. Certain visas are available for application on arrival at the Yangon, Mandalay, and Nay Pyi Taw international airports, while e-visas for tourist visas and single-entry business visas are also available through an [e-visa application](#) for travelers entering into Myanmar via Yangon, Mandalay, and Nay Pyi Taw international airports, and the Tachileik, Myawaddy, and Kawthaung ports of entry located on the Myanmar-Thailand border. Passport holders of Brunei, Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Philippines, Thailand, and Vietnam arriving in Myanmar by air are allowed up to 14 days of visa-exempted stay, while passport holders of Singapore arriving by air are allowed up to 30 days of visa-exempted stay.

The table below summarizes the types of visas available and their respective fees:

No.	Visa Type	Visa Fees	Validity Period	Availability of Visa On Arrival	Availability of e-Visa	Remarks
1.	Diplomatic / Official Courtesy Visa	N/A	Period of assignment	No	No	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For those entering into Myanmar for diplomatic visits. • Supporting documents: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Letter of appointment of diplomatic / official courtesy visit from country of origin; and 2) Letter of invitation of diplomatic / official courtesy visit issued by relevant Ministry.

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2.	Tourist Visa	USD 40	28 days	No	Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> For those entering into Myanmar for leisure, visit, and temporary stay purposes. Supporting documents: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Round trip air tickets.
3.	(a) Business Visa (Single Entry)	USD 50	70 days	Yes	Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> For those entering into Myanmar for purposes of conducting business. Extensions beyond 70 days possible. Supporting documents: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Letter of recommendation of employer in country of origin; Letter of invitation of company in Myanmar; and Company registration certificate of company in Myanmar.
	(b) Business Visa (Multiple Entries)	USD 200	3 months	No	No	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> For those entering into Myanmar for purposes of conducting business (not first-time entrants). No requirement to leave the country every 70 days. Extensions beyond initial granted period of 3 months / 6 months / 1 year possible. Supporting documents: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Letter of recommendation of employer in country of origin; Letter of invitation of company in Myanmar; Company registration certificate of company in Myanmar; and Reason for application of multiple-entry visa.
		USD 400	6 months	No	No	
		USD 600	1 year	No	No	

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4.	(a) Social Visa (Single Entry)	USD 50	70 days	No	No	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For those entering into Myanmar to visit family and relatives. • Extensions beyond 70 days possible. • Supporting documents for former citizens: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Proof of former citizenship; 2) Lodging address in Myanmar; and 3) Names of relatives to be visited in Myanmar. • Supporting documents for foreigners: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Lodging address in Myanmar; 2) Reason of visit; and 3) Names of and relationship with citizens to be visited in Myanmar.
	(b) Social Visa (Multiple Entries)	USD 150	3 months	No	No	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For those entering into Myanmar to visit family and relatives (not first time entrants). • No requirement to leave the country every 70 days. • Extensions beyond initial granted period of 3 months / 6 months / 1 year possible. • Supporting documents for former citizens: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Proof of former citizenship; 2) Lodging address in Myanmar; 3) Names of relatives to be visited in Myanmar; and 4) Reason for application of multiple-entry visa. • Supporting documents for foreigners: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Lodging address in Myanmar; 2) Reason of visit; 3) Names of and relationship with citizens to be visited in Myanmar; and 4) Reason for application of multiple-entry visa.
		USD 300	6 months	No	No	
		USD 450	1 year	No	No	

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5.	(a) Religious Visa (Single Entry)	USD 50	70 days	No	No	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> For those entering into Myanmar for religious activities. Extensions beyond 70 days possible. Supporting documents: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Letter of invitation from meditation / religious / monastery center in Myanmar; Letter of sponsorship from meditation / religious / monastery center in country of origin; and Reason for religious visit.
	(b) Religious Visa (Multiple Entries)	USD 150	3 months	No	No	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> For those entering into Myanmar for religious activities (not first-time entrants). No requirement to leave the country every 70 days. Extensions beyond initial granted period of 3 months / 6 months / 1 year possible. Supporting documents: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Letter of invitation from meditation / religious / monastery center in Myanmar; Letter of sponsorship from meditation / religious / monastery center in country of origin; Reason for religious visit; and Reason for application of multiple-entry visa.
		USD 300	6 months	No	No	
		USD 450	1 year	No	No	
6.	Transit Visa	USD 20	24 hours	Yes	No	
7.	(a) Official Visa (Single Entry)	USD 50	70 days	No	No	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> For those entering into Myanmar for involvement in activities of an INGO recognized by the UN / Government of the Union of Myanmar. Extensions beyond 70 days possible. Supporting documents: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Information of activity venue; and Undertaking to abide by Myanmar laws.

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	(b) Official Visa (Multiple Entries)	USD 200	3 months	No	No	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> For those entering into Myanmar for involvement in activities of an INGO recognized by the UN / Government of the Union of Myanmar (not first-time entrant). No requirement to leave the country every 70 days. Extensions beyond initial granted period of 3 months / 6 months / 1 year possible. Supporting documents: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Information of activity venue; Undertaking to abide by Myanmar laws; and Reason for application of multiple-entry visa.
		USD 400	6 months	No	No	
		USD 600	1 year	No	No	
8.	Employment Visa	USD 50	70 days	No	No	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> For those entering into Myanmar for employment purposes. Extensions beyond 70 days possible. Supporting documents: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Letter of appointment by Myanmar company; or Letter of invitation by Myanmar company. Foreigners entering into Myanmar on an employment visa must apply for an employee registration card issued by the Ministry of Labor, Immigration and Population.
9.	(a) Education Visa (Single Entry)	USD 50	90 days	No	No	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> For those entering into Myanmar for purposes of education (teaching or studying). Extensions beyond 90 days possible. Supporting documents: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Letter of recommendation from respective university or school.
	USD 400	6 months	No	No		

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10.		USD 600	1 year	No	No	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Supporting documents: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Letter of recommendation from respective university or school; and Reason for application of multiple-entry visa.
	Journalist Visa	USD 40	28 days	No	No	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> For journalists entering into Myanmar for work purposes and media activities. Supporting documents: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Proof that applicant is a journalist; Exact lodging address; Details of contact person/organization/department in Myanmar; and Reason of travelling to Myanmar and proof thereof.
11.	(a) Crew Visa (Single Entry)	USD 50	90 days	Yes (USD 40 for 28 days)	No	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> For crewmen serving aboard a vessel or aircraft landing in Myanmar. Extensions beyond 90 days possible. Supporting documents: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Proof that applicant is a crewman with a valid license; Details of contact person/organization/department in Myanmar; and Reason of travelling to Myanmar and proof thereof.
	(b) Crew Visa (Multiple Entries)	USD 200	3 months	No	No	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> For crewmen serving aboard a vessel or aircraft landing in Myanmar (not first time entrants). No requirement to leave the country every 90 days. Extensions beyond initially granted period of 3 months / 6 months / 1 year possible. Supporting documents: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Proof that applicant is a crewman with a valid license; Details of contact person/organization/department in
		USD 400	6 months			
		USD 600	12 months			

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						Myanmar; 3) Reason of travelling to Myanmar and proof thereof; 4) Reason for application of multiple-entry visa.
12.	Workshop / Seminar/ Meeting / Research Visa	USD 40	28 days	Yes	No	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For those entering into Myanmar for purposes of workshops / seminars / meetings / research. • Extensions beyond 28 days possible. • Supporting documents: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Letter of invitation of relevant ministry / organization.

All travelers are advised to obtain the appropriate visas prior to their travel dates. If you have any questions about the new visa system or immigration matters in general, please contact Tilleke & Gibbins at myanmar@tilleke.com or +95 1 255 208.

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