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Good News on Thailand Entry



Thailand has announced new stimulus visa measures to welcome all visitors to country. These include 60-day visa exemption and Visa on Arrival (VOA) schemes, Destination Thailand Visa (DTV), and student visas, which takes effect from 15 July 2024.

Visa Exemption

Thailand will grant visa exemption for nationals of 93 countries and territories, up from 57 countries previously. Visitors under this scheme will be allowed to stay for tourism purposes and short-term business engagements for a period not exceeding 60 days, which can be extended at the Immigration Office for another period not exceeding 30 days.

The 93 countries eligible for the visa exemption scheme include:

Africa: Mauritius, Morocco, South Africa

Americas: Brazil, Canada, Colombia, Cuba, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Guatemala, Jamaica, Mexico, Panama, Peru, Trinidad and Tobago, United States, Uruguay

East/Central Asia: Bhutan, Brunei, Cambodia, China, Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Japan, Kazakhstan, Laos, Macao, Malaysia, Maldives, Mongolia, Philippines, Singapore, South Korea, Sri Lanka, Taiwan, Uzbekistan, Vietnam

Europe: Albania, Andorra, Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Kosovo, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Monaco, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russia, San Marino, Slovak Republic, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Ukraine, United Kingdom

Middle East: Bahrain, Cyprus, Israel, Jordan, Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Turkey, United Arab Emirates

Oceania: Australia, Fiji, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, Tonga

In addition, 3 countries have entered into bilateral agreements with Thailand, allowing foreign nationals to enter under the Thailand visa exemption status at international airports only: Argentina, Chile, Myanmar



Visa on Arrival (VOA)

Thailand will allow nationals of 31 countries and territories, up from 19 countries previously, to apply for VOA at the immigration checkpoints on arrival. Visitors under this scheme will be allowed to stay for tourism purposes for a period not exceeding 15 days. The visa fee is 2,000 Baht.

Armenia, Belarus, Bhutan*, Bolivia, Bulgaria*, China*, Costa Rica, Cyprus*, El Salvador, Ethiopia, Fiji*, Georgia*, India*, Kazakhstan*, Kyrgyzstan, Malta*, Mexico*, Namibia, Nauru, Papua New Guinea*, Paraguay, Romania*, Russia*, Saudi Arabia*, Serbia, Seychelles, Taiwan*, Tunisia, Uzbekistan*, Vanuatu, and Venezuela.

*Countries/Territories eligible for 60-day visa exemption scheme.

Destination Thailand Visa (DTV)

Thailand is introducing a new visa measure, Destination Thailand Visa (DTV) for remote workers, digital nomads, and freelancers as well as participants of activities – Muay Thai courses, Thai cooking classes, sport training, medical treatments, seminars, and music festivals. Spouses and dependent children of DTV holders will also be eligible.

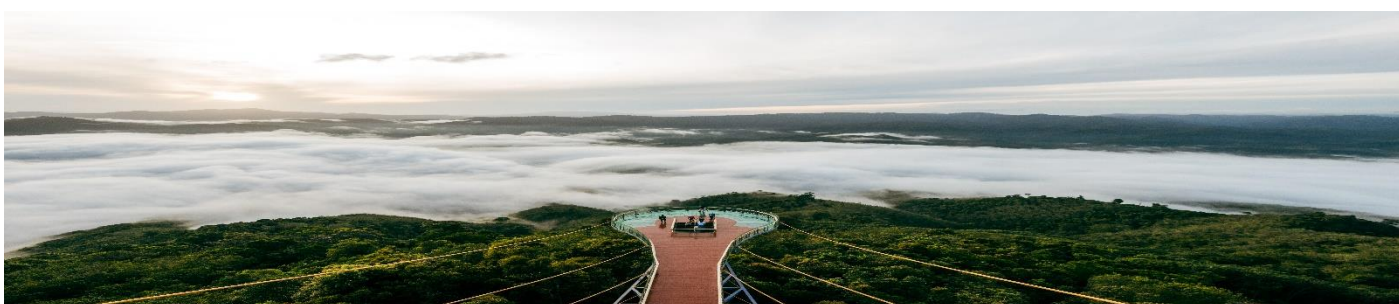
Foreigners who wish to apply for this visa must have a proof of funds or a guarantee of not less than 500,000 Baht for the duration of stay. The visa fee is 10,000 Baht.

DTV holders, together with spouses and dependent children, will be entitled to a five-year stay with multiple entries for cumulative stays not exceeding 180 days, which can be extended for another 180 days.

Student Visa (Non-Immigrant ED Plus)

Thailand is extending the stay for foreign students of higher education to stay for one more year after graduation. They can also find work during the extended period and, if employed locally, could change the type of visa to Non-Immigration B without having to leave Thailand.

For more information, please contact the Thai Embassy or consulate in your area of residence.



VISA ON ARRIVAL (VOA)

Nationals of the following **31 countries and territories** may apply for visa on arrival **at the immigration checkpoints** on arrival for tourism purpose

List of Countries and Territories:

Armenia	Georgia	Romania
Belarus	India	Russia
Bhutan	Kazakhstan	Saudi Arabia
Bolivia	Kyrgyzstan	Serbia
Bulgaria	Malta	Seychelles
China	Mexico	Taiwan
Costa Rica	Namibia	Tunisia
Cyprus	Nauru	Uzbekistan
El Salvador	Papua New Guinea	Vanuatu
Ethiopia	Paraguay	Venezuela
Fiji		



Fee
2,000 THB

Period of Stay
Not exceeding 15 days

Entry
Single Entry

For more information, please contact the Thai Immigration Bureau



NON-ED PLUS VISA



Non-ED Plus Visa aims to facilitate international students studying at universities in Thailand at the bachelor's degree level or above.



Benefits

Exempted from Re-Entry Permit

During the course of study, foreign students in bachelor degree level or higher can depart and re-enter Thailand without the need for a re-entry permit.

Extensions of Stays

Universities/Institutions will submit the visa extension application on behalf of the students.

Extended Stay for Graduated Student

Foreign students are allowed to extend the stay in Thailand for 1 year after graduating, to seek employment, travel or participate in other activities and are eligible to apply for new type of visa in Thailand if employed.

For more information, please contact the Thai Immigration Bureau



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VISA EXEMPTION (60 DAYS)

Nationals of the following **93 countries and territories** are entitled to visa exemption for the purpose of tourism business engagements or urgent work or ad-hoc work, for a up to **60 days period of stay** and can be extended for another period not exceeding **30 days**. Extension of stay is solely at the discretion of the immigration officer. Before the maximum stay of 90 days are eligible to apply for a new type of visa in Thailand.

List of Countries and Territories:

Albania	Finland	Lithuania	San Marino
Andorra	France	Luxembourg	Saudi Arabia
Australia	Georgia	Macao	Singapore
Austria	Germany	Malaysia	Slovakia
Bahrain	Greece	Maldives	Slovenia
Belgium	Guatemala	Malta	South Africa
Bhutan	Hong Kong	Mauritius	Spain
Brazil	Hungary	Mexico	Sri Lanka
Brunei	Iceland	Monaco	Sweden
Bulgaria	India	Mongolia	Switzerland
Cambodia	Indonesia	Morocco	Taiwan
Canada	Ireland	Netherlands	Tonga
China	Israel	New Zealand	Trinidad and Tobago
Colombia	Italy	Norway	Türkiye
Croatia	Jamaica	Oman	Ukraine
Cuba	Japan	Panama	UAE
Cyprus	Jordan	Papua New Guinea	UK
Czechia	Kazakhstan	Peru	USA
Denmark	Korea (ROK)	Philippines	Uruguay
Dominica	Kosovo	Poland	Uzbekistan
Dominican Republic	Kuwait	Portugal	Vietnam
Ecuador	Laos	Qatar	
Estonia	Latvia	Romania	
Fiji	Liechtenstein	Russia	



The following countries have bilateral agreements for visa exemption with Thailand**
 Argentina, Chile, Myanmar (International airports only)

For Necessary or Urgent Work or Ad-hoc Work need to notify the registrar in person at any international airport or labour offices in Thailand. The process takes one working day and can only be obtained after the foreigner has entered Thailand. The work shall be completed within 15 days.

16 Types of Necessary or Urgent Work or Ad-hoc Work :

- Organizing or setting up conferences, trainings, seminars, exhibitions, or trade fairs
- Conducting special academic lectures
- Aviation superintendent
- Occasional internet audit
- Follow-up and resolve technical issues
- Quality control of products/goods or products/goods quality inspection
- Inspection or improvement of production process
- Machinery and electric generator equipment system inspection or maintenance
- Machinery maintenance and installation
- Electric train technician
- Aircraft or aircraft equipment system technician
- Consulting work on machinery maintenance or machinery control system
- Machinery demonstration and testing
- Movie filming and slide photographing
- Recruitment of job seeker for overseas job placement
- Technical skill testing for overseas job placement

**The period of stay is based on respective bilateral agreements

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DESTINATION THAILAND VISA (DTV)

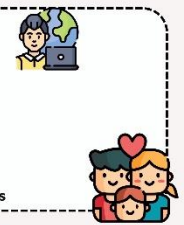
Where to apply:

- RTE / RTCG
- Thai e-Visa (www.thaivevisa.go.th)



Eligible Foreigners:

- Digital Nomads/Remote Workers/Freelancers
- Participants in activities such as
 - Muay Thai courses
 - Thai Cooking classes
 - Sport training
 - Medical treatment
 - Seminars
 - Music Festivals
- Spouse and dependent children of DTV holders



Required Documents:

- Passport or Travel Document
- Photograph
- Document Indicating Current Location
- Financial evidence: amount of no less than 500,000 THB, e.g. bank statements, payslips, sponsorship letter
- Purpose of Visit
 - Workcation: Employment contract or employment certificate in their country or professional portfolio showcasing digital nomad, remote worker, foreign talent or freelancer status
 - Thai soft power: Proof of confirmation to attend the activity or letter of appointment from hospital/medical center
 - Spouse: Proof of relationship to the DTV visa holder, e.g. a copy of marriage certificate / birth certificate / certificate of adoption



Visa Fee

10,000 THB



Visa Validity

5 years
Multiple Entries

Period of Stay

180 days per entry

Extension of Stay (through the Thai Immigration Bureau)

1-time for a period not exceeding 180 days per entry. After the maximum stay of 180 days - 180 days needs to depart the country and re-enter Thailand with the same DTV visa within the visa validity date



For more information, please contact the Thai Immigration Bureau or Department of Consular Affairs