

Visa Procedure – New Zealand

The following information outlines the visa requirements, documents, and application process that Immigration New Zealand require to facilitate your entry into New Zealand.

To be eligible to enter New Zealand, you must have:

- Obtained the correct Visitor's Visa approved by New Zealand Immigration
- Had a full course of an approved COVID-19 vaccine listed [HERE](#)
- Completed a [New Zealand Traveller Declaration Form](#)
- Abide by the New Zealand Customs [regulations](#)
- Special Direction Letter & Accreditation Approval Letter

It is essential that you complete your application as carefully, completely, and as accurately as possible to avoid any delay or risk of your application not being approved. All information listed in this document is correct as of 10 August 2022. The most up-to-date information can be found on the Immigration New Zealand website:

[Information about: NZeTA | Immigration New Zealand](#)

[Information about: Sports Events Visitor Visa | Immigration New Zealand](#)

What type of visa do you require?

If you are not a New Zealand or Australian citizen, accredited media and/or broadcast will need to apply for either:

- New Zealand Electronic Travel Authority Visa (NZeTA) or
- Sports Event Visitor Visa.

Details for these visas are listed below based on what Passport you will be travelling to New Zealand on.

New Zealand Electronic Travel Authority Visa (NZeTA):

This visa is for passport holders of the countries listed in the table below. Countries with teams which have qualified for the FIFA Women's World Cup 2023 or the Play-Off Tournament for the FIFA Women's World Cup 2023, are in bold.

If the country of the passport you hold does not appear in the below table, you will require a Sports Event Visitor Visa (Page 4).

Andorra	Hungary	Oman
Argentina	Iceland	Poland
Austria	Ireland	Portugal*
Bahrain	Israel	Qatar
Belgium	Italy	Romania
Brazil	Japan	San Marino
Brunei	Korea, South	Saudi Arabia
Bulgaria	Kuwait	Seychelles
Canada	Latvia (citizens only)	Singapore
Chile	Liechtenstein	Slovak Republic
Croatia	Lithuania (citizens only)	Slovenia
Cyprus	Luxembourg	Spain
Czech Republic	Macau*	Sweden
Denmark	Malaysia	Switzerland
Estonia (citizens only)	Malta	Taiwan*
Finland	Mauritius	United Arab Emirates
France	Mexico	United Kingdom (UK)*
Germany	Monaco	United States of America
Greece	Netherlands	Uruguay
Hong Kong*	Norway	Vatican City
Hong Kong - Residents with HKSAR or British National-Overseas passports only		
Macau - Only if you have a Macau Special Administrative Region passport		
Portugal - If you have the right to live permanently in Portugal		
Taiwan - If you are a permanent resident		
UK - If you are travelling on a UK or British passport that shows you have the right to reside permanently in the UK		

Proof of Identity:

- For Immigration New Zealand to approve your identity you must provide 1 x photo that meets the photo requirements listed [HERE](#)

- Please note your passport must be valid for at least 3 months past the date you intend to leave New Zealand and in a good condition. We recommend at least 6 months validity to void any transit country issues.

Application Time:

- You must apply for the NZeTA visa at least 72 hours prior to departure. We highly recommend applying well in advance to avoid any delay.

Funds & Sponsorship:

You must have enough money to live on while you are in New Zealand:

- At least NZD \$1,000.00 per month or NZD \$400.00 per month if you have already paid for your accommodation in your bank account.
- You may be required to provide bank statements or credit card statements proving your funds if requested by Immigration New Zealand.

Onward Travel:

- You must provide evidence that you are going to depart New Zealand, this can be done by proof of a return ticket OR proof you have enough funds to purchase a ticket to depart New Zealand.

Fees:

- The cost for a NZeTA visa is NZD \$58.00 and you must pay this upon submitting your application.

Proof of Good Character:

- You must be able to show you are of good character, this means you must disclose any issues or activities in your past that may affect how Immigration New Zealand assess your character when they process your visa application. More information regarding this is listed [HERE](#).
- It is important you disclose ANY criminal convictions you may have.

Validity:

- Your NZeTA visa will be valid for two (2) years from the date of approval
- You will be able to enter New Zealand multiple times, for a duration of up to three (3) months per visit.

Sports Event Visitor Visa:

This visa is for passport holders of countries that were not listed in the table on page 2.

Below is a list of countries which have qualified for the FIFA Women's World Cup 2023 or the Play-Off Tournament for the FIFA Women's World Cup 2023, and are required to apply for the Sports Event Visitor Visa.

Thailand	Haiti	Cameroon
Senegal	Paraguay	Colombia
Papua New Guinea	China PR	Philippines
Vietnam	Jamaica	Costa Rica
South Africa	Morocco	Zambia
Nigeria		

It is essential that you complete your application as carefully, completely, and as accurately as possible to avoid any delay or risk of your application not being approved. We strongly recommend you apply for your Sport Event Visitor Visa online, to assist with the tracking of your application. You will also need to provide the following details:

Proof of Identity:

You must provide proof of your identity by submitting:

- 1 x acceptable photo if you are applying online or 2 x acceptable photos if you are applying via paper application. The photos must match the requirements listed [HERE](#)
- Your current passport which will need to be valid for at least 3 months past the date you intend on leaving New Zealand. We recommend at least 6 months validity to void any transit country issues.
- If you apply online, you must upload a certified copy* of your passport. Please note you may then be advised to send your passport to the nearest [Visa Application Centre](#) if you do not submit a certified copy.

* Certified copies must be stamped or endorsed as true copies of the originals by a person authorised by law to take statutory declarations in your country.

Proof of Good Character:

You must be able to show you are of good character, this means you must disclose any issues or activities in your past that may affect how Immigration New Zealand assess your character when they process your visa application. Depending on the issue/s Immigration New Zealand can:

- Decline your application for travel which means you will not be able to travel to New Zealand
- Approve a character waiver — Depending on how serious your character issue is, you may be granted a character waiver. More information regarding this is listed [HERE](#).
- It is important you must disclose ANY criminal convictions you may have.

Evidence of your involvement:

FWWC2023 will provide you with an accreditation approval letter to assist with this requirement. More information regarding this is listed [HERE](#).

Funds & Sponsorship:

You must have enough money to live on while you are in New Zealand:

- At least NZD \$1,000.00 per month or NZD \$400.00 per month if you have already paid for your accommodation in your bank account.
- You may be required to provide bank statements or credit card statements proving your funds if requested by Immigration New Zealand.

Onward Travel:

- You must provide evidence that you are going to depart New Zealand, this can be done by proof of a return ticket OR proof you have enough funds to purchase a ticket to depart New Zealand.

Fees:

- You must pay NZD \$246.00 plus courier & any receiving centre fees; you must pay this upon submitting your application. Accurate pricing can be found [HERE](#)

Application Time:

- Please ensure you give yourself enough time when applying for your visa as it can take up to 30 working days for your visa to be processed.
- You may need to surrender your passport so Immigration New Zealand can confirm proof of identity. To fast track the process, if you are near one of the [Visa Application Centres](#), you can get your passport verified in person without needing to surrender your passport.
- If you apply online, you must upload a certified copy* of your passport. Please note you may then be advised to send your passport to the nearest [Visa Application Centre](#) if you do not submit a certified copy.

* Certified copies must be stamped or endorsed as true copies of the originals by a person authorised by law to take statutory declarations in your country.

Validity:

- FIFA have been granted a Special Direction that will allow multiple entries into New Zealand. It is important you carry the letter that will be provided to you, with your accreditation approval letter, each time you travel in or out of New Zealand.
- This Special Direction is valid until the end of the FWWC2023 (20 September 2023)