

Australia



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Contact Addresses

Note

Addresses of Tourist Representatives for individual states can be found at the head of each state entry.

Australian High Commission in the UK

Australia House, Strand, London WC2B 4LA, UK

Tel: (020) 7379 4334 *or* 09065 508 900 (immigration and citizenship enquiries; calls cost £1 per minute).

Website: www.uk.embassy.gov.au

Opening hours: Mon-Fri 0900-1700 (general); 0900-1100 (visa and immigration); 0930-1530 (passport).

Tourism Australia in the UK

Australia Centre, Australia House, 6th Floor, Melbourne Place, Strand, London WC2B 4LG, UK

Tel: (020) 7438 4601.

Website: www.australia.com

Embassy of Australia in the USA

1601 Massachusetts Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20036, USA

Tel: (202) 797 3000 *or* 1 888 990 8888 (visa information line).

Website: www.austemb.org

Tourism Australia in the USA

6100 Center Drive, Suite 1150, Los Angeles, CA 90045, USA

Tel: (310) 695 3200.

Website: www.australia.com

Passport/Visa

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	Passport Required?	Visa Required?	Return Ticket Required?
British	Yes	Yes	No
Australian	N/A	N/A	N/A
Canadian	Yes	Yes	No
USA	Yes	Yes	No
Other EU	Yes	Yes	No

Passports

Valid passport required by all nationals referred to in chart above.

Visas

Required by all nationals referred to in the chart above except:

(a) those continuing their journey to a third country (who hold confirmation of booking and documentation to enter country) within eight hours of arriving in Australia.

All other nationals must obtain a transit visa before travel if intending to remain in Australia no longer than 72 hours and a stopover is intended. Transit visas are free of charge.

Note: (a) Not all airports remain open all night; travellers should check with the airline.

(b) Nationals not referred to in the chart above are advised to contact the Department of Immigration at the high commission to check visa requirements (see *Contact Addresses*).

Visa Note

Australian visa regulations (including visa application charges) change from time to time. The information provided here is valid at the time of publication, but visitors should check that this information is still current by visiting the Department of Immigration online (website: www.immi.gov.au) or by calling the Australian Immigration and Citizenship 24-hour Information Service (tel: 0906 550 8900, in the UK; calls cost £1 per minute).

Electronic Travel Authority (ETA) visas

The ETA is an electronically stored authority for travel to Australia for tourism, short-term business or elective study purposes, that allows multiple entries for stays of up to three months for people from certain countries (see below). The ETA is valid for 12 months from date of issue, or for the life of the passport if it is less than 12 months. An ETA is invisible and therefore will not show up in your passport.

All nationals referred to in the chart above are eligible for an ETA except: Bulgaria, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovak Republic and Slovenia.

Other types of visa

Visitors not eligible for an ETA, or seeking a longer stay than an ETA offers, may apply for *Tourist (Non ETA)* and *Business Short-stay (Non ETA)* visas.

There are also student visas, employers' visas for overseas workers and sponsored family visitor visas available; enquire at the Australian high commission.

Types of Visa and Cost

ETAs: *Visitor/Short Validity Business*: Free of charge. *Business Visitor (Long Validity)* A \$75.

Note: A service fee of A\$20 is charged when applying for an ETA online through the DIMIA ETA website. Some travel agents and airlines issuing ETAs also charge a processing fee.

Non-ETAs: Tourist and Business Short-stay visas: A\$75.

Visa fees are generally adjusted on 1 July each year.

Validity

Visitor ETAs are valid for 12 months from date of issue (or until the passport expires, whichever comes first) and permit multiple entries into Australia for a stay of up to three months on each visit. *Short Validity Business* ETAs are valid for 12 months from date of issue (or until the passport expires, whichever comes first) with stays of up to three months on each visit and can be used for single or multiple entry travel. *Business Visitor (Long Validity)* ETAs are valid for 10 years (or the life of the passport) and permit multiple entries for a stay of up to three months for each visit.

For non-ETA visas, the validity varies according to the type of visa, the purpose of the trip and the validity of the passport. Visas are usually valid from three to 12 months. The validity will be stated on the visa label in your passport.

Applications to:

ETA: Authorised travel agents or airlines; by telephone; some nationals may apply online through the main Department of Immigration and Multicultural and Indigenous Affairs (DIMIA) (website: www.eta.immi.gov.au) (*Visitor* and *Short Validity Business* ETAs only).

Non-ETA: Australian embassies, high commissions and consulates; see *Contact Addresses*.

There is a *Tourist Short-Stay* visa available online (website: www.eta.immi.gov.au) for all nationals referred to in chart above.

Working Days Required

ETA: When issued through DIMIA's ETA website, or through travel agents or airline offices, usually processed and valid immediately or within three working days.

Non-ETA: 10-15 working days.