



Australian Embassy Myanmar
Visa and Immigration Office

APPLYING FOR (OTHER) FAMILY MIGRATION VISA TO AUSTRALIA

Who should apply for an Other Family migration visa?

- **Aged Dependent Relative**
This visa is for some older people to migrate to Australia if they rely on an eligible relative in Australia to provide financial support. The applicant must be old enough to be granted an old age pension under the *Social Security Act 1991*.
See: <http://www.border.gov.au/Trav/Visa-1/114->
- **Remaining Relative**
This visa allows someone outside Australia whose only near relatives are living in Australia to live in Australia as a permanent resident. To qualify, your (and your partner's) only near relatives are settled in Australia and are all Australian citizens, Australian permanent residents or eligible New Zealand citizens
See: <http://www.border.gov.au/Trav/Visa-1/115->
- **Carer**
This visa is for someone who needs to move to Australia to care for a relative in Australia with a long-term medical condition, or assist a relative providing this care to a member of their family unit. The relative must not be able to reasonably get the care they need from any other relative or from welfare, hospital, nursing or community services in Australia.
See: <http://www.border.gov.au/Trav/Visa-1/116->

How much will this visa cost?

There is an application charge for this visa. This will not be refunded if your application is unsuccessful, or if you decide to withdraw your application after you have lodged it. Please ensure that you pay the correct amount of charge applicable.

See: <http://www.border.gov.au/Trav/Visa/Fees>

Where do I lodge my application?

All applications should be lodged at:

Option 1 Lodging directly at Seoul Visa Office (preferable)

You can send your application directly to the Australian Embassy in Seoul. If you are sending the application directly to the Seoul Visa Office, the visa application charge payment must be made by credit card only.

Contact details for the Seoul Visa Office:

http://www.southkorea.embassy.gov.au/seol/Contact_Visa.html

Alternatively you can have your sponsor pay for the visa application charge in any Departmental office in Australia and send the receipt of the payment together with your application. Contact details for Departmental offices in Australia:

<http://www.border.gov.au/about/contact/offices-locations/australia>

Option 2 Lodging at Australian Visa Application Centre (AVAC) in Myanmar operated by VFS Global.

Address: #305, Prime Hill Business Square,
No. 60, Shwe Dagon Pagoda Road,
Dagon Township, Yangon, Myanmar
Telephone: 02-118-7100
Email: info.aurn@vfshelpline.com

Contact Centre hours: 08.30 hrs to 16.30 hrs
Business hours: 08.30 hrs. – 16.30 hrs. (Monday to Friday*)
Application lodgement hours: 08:00 hrs. – 15:30 hrs. (Monday to Friday*)
Passport Collection hours: 08:30 hrs. – 16:30 hrs. (Monday to Friday*)

**Except on Public Holiday*

<http://www.myanmar.embassy.gov.au/rang/aboutus.html>

A fee will be charged for this service in addition to the scheduled fee charged by the Australian Government for all visa applications. For more information about lodgement procedures, fees charged, contact details, office locations and office hours, please visit <http://www.vfsglobal.com/australia/myanmar>

What happens after I have lodged my application with the Australian Visa Office Myanmar?

Once you have lodged your application with Australian Visa Office in Myanmar you will be issued a receipt for your payment. The application will be transferred to Seoul-Regional Other Family Processing Centre in South Korea for processing.

Who will assess my application and how long will it take?

Once we receive your application it is immediately transferred to Australian Visa Office in Bangkok then the Seoul – Regional Other Family Processing Centre in South Korea. This centre is responsible for processing all Other Family visa applications for the East Asia Region. Staff here will assess and process your Other Family visa application. Processing priorities for Other Family category visa applications are determined by the government. **See:** [Fact Sheet 37](#) – Processing Priorities for the Family Stream Migration

To ensure equity, all Other Family category visa applications are first assessed against the relevant criteria in the order they are lodged. Based on that date this assessment is completed, applications are then assigned a queue date and placed in the global queue.

Carer visa applicants

It is currently estimated that lodged Carer visa applications, that have not yet been assessed, are likely to take up to three years to be released for final processing.

Remaining Relative and Aged Dependent Relative visa applicants

It is currently estimated that lodged Remaining Relative and Aged Dependent Relative visa applications, that have not yet been assessed, are likely to take up to 16 years to be released for final processing.

See: <http://www.border.gov.au/Trav/Brin/Fami/Capping-and-queuing/Other-family-visa-queue>

Other important things to note:

- Applicants are required to disclose information about all previous visa applications. The provision of false or misleading information in an application could lead to the application being refused.
- It is also important that you lodge a complete application. A complete application is one that provides all information necessary for a decision to be made. You should support your application with as much information as possible at the time of lodgment as a decision may be made solely on the information that you have provided with your application.
- If your visa is refused because you did not satisfy the legislative requirements for the grant of that visa, the Visa Application Charge will not be refunded.
- **Do not** provide original documents unless requested. You should provide 'certified copies' of original documentation. Documents not in English must be accompanied by accredited English translations. '**Certified copies**' are copies authorised, or stamped as being true copies of originals, by a person or agency recognised by the law of the country in which you currently reside.

Can I ask another person to deal with the Embassy on my behalf?

Australian privacy laws prevent this office from responding to enquiries from people not authorized by the applicant. This includes the person providing support to the application. If you want to authorize another person to be able to discuss your application with this office, or for them to receive correspondence about the application, you should indicate this on the application form, a written statement or by using a Form 956A - Appointment or withdrawal of Authorised Recipient <http://www.border.gov.au/about/corporate/information/forms/application/numerical-list>

If there are any changes in your circumstances following lodgment of your application, you are obliged to inform us about them. You may use Form 1022 - Notification of Changes in Circumstances for this purpose. [Form 1022 Notification of Changes in Circumstances](#)

Application Document Checklist

This application document checklist details the information and supporting documents (personal and character) required to assist with the lodgment of a complete application with the department. You may also need to provide additional information and documentation after you have made your application if the department requires it.

- [Form 47OF](#) - completed in English and signed by the applicant/s
- [Form 40](#) - completed in English and signed by the sponsor
- Visa Application Charge <http://www.border.gov.au/Trav/Visa/Fees>
- 2 passport photographs of each person included in the application
- Birth certificate of the applicant and identity card (for children over the age of 15)
- Household registration for the applicant (and each person included in the household where the child is registered).
- Copies of all pages of the passport (if available). Please ensure the passport details are correct. The names must be correctly spelled and all other details must match your other documentation.
- Official name/surname change certificates for all name changes for the applicant. Death certificates of any parent (if applicable).
- Evidence of Australian citizenship or permanent resident status of all your relatives (parents, siblings, children) in Australia (for example Australian citizenship certificate or copy of passport pages which show identification page, permanent visa and any arrival/departure stamps for Australia).
- Evidence of your relationship to the relative/s in Australia

Aged Dependent Relative visa

- A statement and evidence detailing how you are dependent on your sponsor in Australia and for how long have you been dependent on him/her.

Remaining Relative visa

- Evidence of your relationship to all your relatives (parents, siblings, children) in Australia. You must provide birth, marriage or school certificates which demonstrate the relationship between you and your relatives in Australia.
- Visa document on which all your relatives (parents, siblings, children) first migrated to Australia or permanent entry permit/visa granted to your relatives after arrival in Australia.
- Death certificates for any relatives (parents, siblings, children) who are deceased. If you do not have a death certificate for a deceased relative, you must submit an affidavit statement setting out when the relative died, cause of death and why you are unable to provide a death certificate.

Carer visa

- Evidence that your sponsor has applied for or obtained a medical certificate from Medibank Health Solutions Australia. <https://www.medibankhealth.com.au/>

Health and Character Clearances - Information and documents required from the applicant

Medical examination process.

- Please do not undertake medical examination before or after the application is lodged. The case officer contact you and provide you with a “Health Assessment” letter (by email, mail or fax). The Panel Doctor will need to see this letter as part of the medical examination process and you should take the letter with you when you go to the Panel Doctor for your examination.

Police/character process

- Please do not to apply for police clearances before or after the application is lodged. The case officer contact you and request you provide an original police clearance certificate(s) from every country the applicants (if aged 16 years and over) have resided in for a total of 12 months or more during the last 10 years.

Information and documents required from the sponsor

- Evidence of Australian citizenship or permanent resident status or of being an Eligible New Zealand Citizen. An Eligible New Zealand Citizen is also required to complete health and character checking;
- Evidence that may establish the sponsor’s financial ability to provide settlement support to the applicant(s) (eg. Evidence of employment, Tax Assessment Notices, business documents if self-employed, superannuation documents if self-funded retiree). If insufficient evidence is provided an Assurance of Support may be requested;
- A certified copy of the Bio-data page of the Sponsor’s passport

For more information, please visit www.border.gov.au

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