Non-immigrant Media Visa (For Movie / Filming)

Please make an appointment online [VABO] at www.thaiconsulate-visa.jp/vabo/ before visa application.

- Submission: working days from 9:30-11:30 hrs. Please refer to www.thaiconsulate.jp for the official holidays of the Royal Thai Consulate-General, Osaka.
- Collection: from 13:30-15:00 hrs. 2 working days from submission date in the absence of error in the application form and required documents. (Visa processing time for certain nationals listed in the guideline for visa application published on our website is 45-60 days.)

| Purpose of entry | For film companies / TV commercials production / companies shooting documentaries, music videos and TV programs | Number of Entries | Single (1 time of entry) |
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| | | Term of validity | 90 days from the issue date |
| | | Duration of stay | 90 days from the entry date |
| | | Visa Fee (Cash only) | 10,000 Yen |
| Notice | Applicant must enter Thailand on the date specified in the airline ticket or ticket reservation confirmation Upon arrival to Thailand, the period of stay is granted by an immigration officer in accordance with the type of visa; travelers who wish to stay longer than the granted period must file an application for permission of an extension of stay at the offices of the Immigration Bureau of Thailand; the extension of stay as well as the change of certain type of visa is solely at the discretion of the Immigration officer in Thailand In case the visa application is rejected, the visa fee will not be refunded and the submitted documents will not be returned to the applicant The following required documents are subject to change without prior notice The Royal Thai Consulate-General, Osaka reserves the right to request additional documents as deemed necessary and reserves the right to reject an application without providing any reasons Fraud or misrepresentation can result in permanent visa ineligibility | | |

Required Documents

1. Passport Original and copy

- Validity not less than 6 months
- At least 2 blank pages left

2. Visa Application Form

One Visa Application Form completely filled out and signed as the same as the applicant's passport signature

(downloadable at (http://www.thaiconsulate.jp/files/user/visa_pdf/Application_Form.pdf)

3. One Photograph

- Size $3.5 \text{ cm} \times 4.5 \text{ cm}$
- Colour photograph taken within the last 3 months
- Attach the photograph to the Visa Application Form
- Note that the number of photographs required depending on the applicant's nationality, please check • the additional required documents for Non-Japanese applicants below

4. Personal History

• One Personal History completely filled out and signed as the same as the applicant's passport signature (downloadable at (http://www.thaiconsulate.jp/files/user/visa_pdf/personal-history.pdf)

5. One original Letter of Approval issued by the Thailand Film Office, Office of Tourism Development, Ministry of Tourism and Sports of Thailand

• Example of the Letter of Approval <u>click here</u>

6. Invitation Letter issued by prospective employer in Thailand

- Must be an original invitation letter written in English (PDF or fax copy is not acceptable)
- Must have the company's letter head
- Must address to "Royal Thai Consulate-General, Osaka"
- Must contain the applicant's name / assignment's position in Thailand / purpose of entry / date of entry / length of stay / type of visa
- Must be signed by the authorised person(s) (electronic signature is not acceptable) whose name(s) listed in the company's registration (Copy of the company's registrationissued by the Ministry of Commerce of Thailand within 6 months is required) and include company's seal
- In case that a signature of authorised person(s) in the letter of invitation is absent, a letter of power of attorney authorising other person(s) to act on his/her behalf must be submitted upon submitting the visa application
- 7. One copy of company's registration issued by the Ministry of Commerce of Thailand
 - Must be issued within 6 months

8. Recommendation Letter issued by the current employer / organization in Japan

- Must be an original Recommendation Letter written in English (PDF or fax copy is not acceptable)
- Must have the company's letter head
- Must address to "Royal Thai Consulate-General, Osaka"
- Must contain the applicant's name / assignment's position / responsibilities / salary / date of entry / length of stay and type of visa
- Must be signed by the authorised person(s) (electronic signature is not acceptable) whose name(s) listed in the company's registration and included company's seal

9. One copy of the confirmed airline ticket paid in full or ticket reservation confirmation

• The confirmed airline ticket paid in full or ticket reservation confirmation must be issued by the airline or travel company and must contain the applicant's name, flight number, and date of arrival

Additional Required Documents for Non-Japanese Applicants

10. One copy of residence card (front and backside)

(On the application date, please present the original document of identification)

- Valid for at least 3 months
- For those who are currently applying for renewal of residence card, please submit a copy of acceptance of renewal issued by the Immigration Bureau of Japan

11. The original company's registration issued by the Ministry of Justice of Japan (Only the listed countries below)

• Must be issued within 6 months

12. Additional Colour Photograph(s) affixed to the application form

(Only for the applicant from the listed countries below)

- Applicant with a nationality of No. 1-28, please provide 3 application forms and 3 photographs
- Applicant with a nationality of No. 29-30, please provide 4 application forms and 4 photographs

| 1. Afghanistan | 2. Bangladesh | 3. Egypt | 4. North Korea |
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| 5. Libya | 6. Palestine | 7. Sudan | 8. Yemen |
| 9. Cameroon | 10. the Democratic | 11. the Republic of | 12. Equatorial Guinea |
| | Republic of the Congo | Congo | |
| 13. Guinea | 14. Algeria | 15. China | 16. Iraq |
| 17. Lebanon | 18. Nepal | 19. Pakistan | 20. Sri Lanka |
| 21. Syria | 22. Ghana | 23. Central African | 24. Somalia |
| | | Republic | |
| 25. Sao Tome and | 26. Liberia | 27. Sierra Leone | 28. Myanmar holds a Re-Entry |
| Principe | | | Permit to Japan issued by the |
| 1 merpe | | | Ministry of Justice of Japan |
| 29. Nigeria | 30. Iran | | |

* Visa processing time for certain nationals listed above is approximately 3-60 days

* For Nigeria nationals, please submit all required documents, including a Certificate of Clearance, with the National Drug Law Enforcement Agency (NDLEA). In addition, this Certificate should be certified by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Federal Republic of Nigeria and then by the Royal Thai Embassy in Abuja