

Points to note when applying for Entrepreneurs Visa (Information as of Oct 2017):

The points below serve as general guidance only and should not be construed as our legal opinion. Visa application requirements often vary on a case by case basis.

Application for Entry for Investment as Entrepreneurs

A. Introduction

Persons who wish to enter or stay in Hong Kong for investment as entrepreneurs under the General Employment Policy (GEP), i.e. to establish or join in business in the HKSAR, must apply for this visa.

This entry arrangement DOES NOT apply to:

- (a) Chinese residents of the Mainland of China; and
- (b) Nationals of Afghanistan, Cambodia, Cuba, Laos, Korea (Democratic People's Republic of), Nepal and Vietnam

B. Forms and Supporting Documents

For the Applicant:

- Completed ID999A application form;
- A recent photograph (attach to page 2 of application form ID999A);
- A copy of valid travel documents containing personal particulars, date of issue, date of expiry and/or details of any re-entry visa held; (if applicable);
- A copy of travel document page containing the latest arrival stamp/landing slip/extension of stay label in the HKSAR;
- A copy of Hong Kong/ Macau/ Taiwan/ PRC Identity Card; (if any)
- Proof of academic qualifications and relevant work experience;
- Proof of financial standing;
- A copy of employment contract with or letter of appointment to the applicant; (if applicable)
- Detailed 2-year investment plan;
- Proof of company's business activities;
- Documents with details of company background;
- A copy of tenancy agreements/supporting documents on office set-up;
- Proof of posts created for local employees;
- A copy of Business Registration Certificate and business registration particulars;
- A copy of documents filed with the Companies Registry;
- A copy of licenses or certificates for the operation of the business; (if any)
- A copy of household registration (if any); and
- Proof of overseas residence (for overseas Chinese holding PRC passports only)

For the Sponsor (as a company):

- Completed ID999B application form; and
- A copy of Business Registration Certificate.

For the Sponsor (as an individual):

- Completed ID999B application form;
- A copy of Hong Kong Identity Card; and
- A copy of valid travel documents containing personal particulars, date of issue, date of expiry, and the latest arrival stamp/landing slip/extension of stay label in the HKSAR (for non-permanent residents of the HKSAR).

For Dependents:

- Part B of application form ID999A is to be duly completed by the dependent;
- A recent photograph (attach to page 2 of application form ID999A)
- A copy of valid travel documents containing personal particulars, date of issue, date of expiry and/or details of any re-entry visa held (if applicable);
- A copy of travel document page containing the latest arrival stamp/landing slip/extension of stay label in the HKSAR; (if the dependent who is currently staying in the HKSAR)
- A copy of Hong Kong/Macau/PRC/Taiwan Identity Card (if any);
- Evidence of relationship between the applicant and dependent i.e. Marriage or birth certificate; and
- A copy of household registration (if any).

C. Others

- (i) Documentation Preparation Time: 2-3 weeks upon receipt of all necessary documents.
- (ii) Processing Time: 4-6 weeks upon receipt of all necessary documents.
- (iii) Appointment of Representative: If applicant cannot submit or collect visa application in person, they may authorize a representative in writing, to present supporting documents and apply on their behalf.
- (iv) Collect visa label: The applicant/representative has to bring the approval letter issued by the Immigration Department in order to collect the applicant's/dependent's visa label.

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