



## SOUTH AFRICA BUSINESS VISA INFORMATION SHEET

Requirement	Description
Description	A Business visa can be applied for by Foreigners who are contemplating investing in the South African economy by establishing a business or by investing in an existing business in the country.
Filing application	Applications for a Business visa would need to be filed at the South African mission in your home country or country where you hold residency.  Renewal of the visa can be done from within South Africa
Passport	A valid passport with at least 6 months validity from the date of return from the scheduled trip with at least 3 blank pages at date of submission
	A certified copy of passport title page.
Application Form	A completed application form and signed by each applicant.
Passport Photos	Two (2) colour passport photographs with a white background. Size: 45mm x 35 mm
Certificate issued by a chartered accountant	A certificate to the effect that at least an amount of R5million in cash to be invested in the Republic as determined from time to time by the Minister, after consultation with the Minister of Trade and Industry is available.
Undertaking Letter	Undertaking that at least 60% of the total staff compliment to be employed in the operations of the business shall be South African citizens or permanent residents employed permanently in various positions.
Professional body	A certificate of registration with the professional body, council or board recognised by SAQA in terms of section 13(1)(i) of the National Qualifications Framework Act, if applicable.
Police clearance certificates	Original Police Clearance Certificates from every country where the foreign workers have resided for 12 months or more since their 18th birthday.
Medical & Radiological Reports	Duly completed Medical and Radiological Reports as prescribed by the Department of Home Affairs.
Processing times	Business Visa application: 4 – 8 weeks (depending on the country of submission).
Validity	Business visas are issued for a maximum period of 3 years.
	The visa can be extended in South Africa once for a further 3 years.
Accompanying family	Your family may accompany you whilst you are on a Business visa.

**Important to Note:** The South African embassy reserves the right to request or change document requirements without prior notice.