



## **REQUIREMENTS FOR MEDICAL VISA**

*(This is a permit issued to foreigners intending to visit South Africa for the purpose of undergoing medical treatment. A medical treatment visa may be issued for a maximum period of six (6) months at a time. For a stay under 6 months: use DHA-84 application form)*

**Except in the case of medical treatment OR if the applicant is the spouse or dependent child of the holder of a business or work visa, the holder of a port of entry visa, visitor's visa and medical treatment visa may not apply for a change of conditions of an existing visa, unless he or she is in possession of a letter issued on behalf of the Minister of Home Affairs that good cause had been demonstrated for the submission of such an application.**

**REQUIREMENTS:** (all forms to be completed in black ink)

- MACHINE READABLE VALID PASSPORT WITH MINIMUM TWO UNUSED VISA LABEL PAGES. PASSPORT MUST BE VALID FOR MINIMUM 30 DAYS AFTER THE INTENDED DATE OF DEPARTURE FROM SOUTH AFRICA.
- **NON-REFUNDABLE** APPLICATION FEE (IF APPLICABLE) IN THE FORM OF MONEY ORDER / CASHIERS CHECK: **\$36.00**
- **COMPLETED DHA-1738** SIGNED BY APPLICANT.
- TWO PASSPORT PHOTOS.
- CERTIFIED/NOTARIZED COPY BIO PAGE OF PASSPORT.
- CERTIFIED COPY OF VALID PROOF OF RESIDENCE IN US (Green Card/H1 B/ J1/ L1 etc) (Proof of residence must be valid for duration of stay in South Africa) **(B1/B2 US VISA HOLDERS NOT ELIGIBLE TO APPLY – MUST APPLY IN COUNTRY OF ORIGIN).**
- PROOF OF TENTATIVE TRAVEL ITINERARY OF ROUND-TRIP AIR TICKETS. **DO NOT PURCHASE AIR TICKETS PRIOR TO OBTAINING SOUTH AFRICAN VISA.**

- PROOF OF FINANCIAL MEANS IN THE FORM OF THREE (3) MONTHS OF THE MOST RECENT BANK STATEMENTS, **STAMPED** BY THE BANKING INSTITUTION (NO NOTARY STAMPS) OR WRITTEN CONFIRMATION FROM BANKING INSTITUTION-ONLINE BANKS.
- PROOF OF TENTATIVE ACCOMMODATION.
- IF HOSTED BY SOUTH AFRICAN CITIZEN OR PERMENANT RESIDENT: LETTER OF INVITATION, COPY OF CERTIFIED RSA ID DOCUMENT, PROOF OF RESIDENCE OF HOST (UTILITY BILL).
- IF HOSTED BY NON-SOUTH AFRICAN: LETTER OF INVITATION, COPY OF CERTIFIED VALID BIO PAGE OF PASSPORT AND VISA, PROOF OF RESIDENCE OF HOST (UTILITY BILL).
- YELLOW FEVER CERTIFICATE IS REQUIRED FOR APPLICANTS TRAVELING THROUGH YELLOW FEVER BELT AREAS EN ROUTE TO SOUTH AFRICA.
- MEDICAL REPORT ON PRESCRIBED FORM – **DHA-811** (PHYSICAL). THE CERTIFICATE MUST NOT BE OLDER THAN SIX (6) MONTHS AT THE TIME THE APPLICANT SUBMITS AN APPLICATION.
- **ORIGINAL FBI CERTIFICATE** (FULL CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECK REPORT) AND ORIGINAL POLICE CLEARANCE CERTIFICATE FROM EACH COUNTRY WHERE THE RELEVANT APPLICANT RESIDED FOR 12 MONTHS OR LONGER AFTER ATTAINING THE AGE OF 18 YEARS (FOR THE LAST 5 YEARS) IN RESPECT OF CRIMINAL RECORDS OR THE CHARACTER REFERENCE OF THE APPLICANT, THE CERTIFICATE SHOULD NOT BE OLDER THAN SIX MONTHS AT THE TIME OF ITS SUBMISSION.
- LETTER FROM THE APPLICANT’S MEDICAL PRACTITIONER OR MEDICAL INSTITUTION WITHIN THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA CONFIRMING-
  - THAT SPACE IS AVAILABLE AT THE MEDICAL INSTITUTION;
  - THE ESTIMATED COSTS OF THE TREATMENT;
  - WHETHER OR NOT THE DISEASE OR AILMENT IS TREATABLE OR CURABLE;
  - THE TREATMENT SCHEDULE; AND
  - THE PERIOD OF INTENDED TREATMENT IN THE REPUBLIC.
- THE DETAILS OF, AND CONFIRMATION BY, THE PERSON OR INSTITUTION RESPONSIBLE FOR THE MEDICAL EXPENSES AND HOSPITAL FEES; (PROVIDED THAT IN A CASE WHERE THE APPLICANT'S MEDICAL SCHEME OR EMPLOYER IS NOT LIABLE FOR EXPENSES INCURRED, PROOF OF FINANCIAL MEANS TO COVER MEDICAL COSTS).
- THE PARTICULARS OF THE PERSONS ACCOMPANYING THE APPLICANT.

- **PROCESSING TIME** FOR LONG VISAS EXCEEDING 90 DAYS MAY TAKE UP TO 3 TO 4 WEEKS.
  
- **WHERE TO SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION**  
*For residents of Alabama, Arkansas, District of Colombia, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Louisiana, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota and South Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Texas, Virginia, Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands and Wisconsin:*
  - **The South African Embassy in Washington, DC**  
**3051 Massachusetts Avenue NW**  
**Washington, DC 20008**