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# **IMMIGRATION UPDATE:** New Requirements for 408 Visa Applicants

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## 408 Visa Applicants from High Risk Countries

Home Affairs now requires 408 Visa Applicants to provide **extra documentation** if they are travelling from and or are citizens of **high risk countries**.

#### This documentation includes:

- · A flight itinerary with return flight details
- A copy of the applicant's CV
- · Link to the applicant or group's professional website

<u>PLEASE NOTE</u>: failure to provide this documentation may result in <u>delays in</u> <u>processing</u> or an <u>unsuccessful visa outcome</u>.

The above documentation should be provided to **LPA** if an applicant is <u>NOT</u> a citizen and or is travelling from one of the following countries:

- Andorra
- Austria

Belgium

- Brunei
- Canada

Denmark

- Finland
- France

Germany

- Greece
- Hong Kong (SAR of China)
- Iceland

- Ireland
- Italy

Japan

- Liechtenstein
- Luxembourg
- Malaysia

- Malta
- Monaco

Norway

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- South Korea
- Spain

Sweden

- Switzerland
- Taiwan

The Netherlands

- United Kingdom British
- Citizen
- United Kingdom –
- British National (Overseas)
- United States

Vatican City.

### **Updated LPA Visa Guide**

**LPA's visa process has not changed**. LPA has updated the <u>LPA Guide: 408 Visa Information Pack</u> to reflect the above information.

The LPA Guide: 408 Visa Information Pack contains a number of resource documents and relevant information about how to apply for a Temporary Activity visa (subclass 408) Entertainment Activities (408 Visa) and how LPA assists with this process.

#### What has been updated?

A list of extra documentation to be provided to LPA when submitting a 408 visa request for an applicant from a high risk country.

# **Reminder: 408 Visa Application Process**

LPA's visa process has not changed. However, LPA reminds Members of the processing timelines.

Members should enter all the information for 408 visa applications into their ImmiAccount and provide supporting documents to LPA at least;

- · 6 weeks before arrival dates
- 10 weeks before arrival dates if the applicant is
  - A citizen from high risk countries (please see pages 4 5 of LPA Guide in the 408 Visa Information Pack)
  - Has Character issues (such as a criminal record)
  - Has health issues, or
  - May be required to provide biometrics

If an application is urgent and the above timelines cannot be met, Members must contact the LPA office on **(03) 8614 2000**.

## How to set up an ImmiAccount

Members must set up their own ImmiAccount through the Department of Home Affairs (Department) <u>website</u> and email their username and password to LPA (see page 12 of LPA's Step-by-step ImmiAccount Guide in the <u>LPA Guide</u>: 408 Visa Information pack).

Please note that LPA does <u>not</u> data enter applications into Members' ImmiAccounts. Members are required to data enter all relevant information into their ImmiAccounts. LPA will check all information has been entered correctly prior to lodgment.

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