

Application for sponsorship for Sponsored Family Visitors

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Department of Home Affairs

Important – Please read this information carefully before you complete your application. Once you have completed your application we strongly advise that you keep a copy for your records.

Who can use this form?

Use this form if you are seeking to be a sponsor of a Visitor visa (subclass 600) applicant in the Sponsored Family stream.

You can also use this form if you have been requested by the Department of Home Affairs (the Department) to be a sponsor for a Visitor visa (subclass 600) applicant in the Tourist stream.

Who can be a sponsor?

In all cases, the sponsor must be an Australian citizen or permanent resident aged 18 years or over and settled in Australia.

If you are sponsoring someone who is a family visitor you must be one of the following:

- a relative (parent, child, spouse, de facto partner, brother, sister, grandparent, grandchild, aunt, uncle, niece, nephew or 'step' equivalent of any of these); or
- a relative of a person who is a member of the family unit of the applicant and who is also applying for a Visitor visa – Sponsored Family or Tourist stream (such as the spouse of your sibling); or
- a member of an Australian parliament (Commonwealth, state or territory)¹; or
- an authorised person representing a Commonwealth, state or territory government agency or instrumentality¹; or
- a local government mayor¹.

If you have already provided a sponsorship for another visitor, you normally need to wait until their visa ceases to be in effect before you can be eligible to provide another sponsorship.

Who cannot be a sponsor?

You cannot be a sponsor if you are:

- the applicant's fiance, in-law, cousin or friend, or
- a New Zealand citizen

If you have previously sponsored a visitor, and your visitor did not abide by the conditions of their visa, you may be ineligible to sponsor another visitor in the same visa class for 5 years.

More information on sponsorship eligibility is available on the Department's website

https://immi.home affairs.gov. au/visas/getting-a-visa/visalisting/visitor-600/sponsored-family-stream

Personalise the page for sponsors and go to *Eligibility*.

¹ These persons are only eligible to sponsor applicants under the Sponsored Family stream.

How to sponsor your visitor

Each of your visitors needs to submit their own application for a Visitor visa (subclass 600) - Sponsored Family stream online using ImmiAccount.

This completed form 1149 must then be scanned and attached in ImmiAccount to each online application.

Further information on the Visitor visa (subclass 600) – Sponsored Family stream is available on the Department's website https://immi.homeaffairs.gov.au/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-listing/visitor-600/sponsored-family-stream

You can personalise this page for *Applicants* or for *Sponsors*.

If the Department has requested sponsorship in relation to an application for a Visitor visa (subclass 600) – Tourist stream, this completed form 1149 must be scanned and attached in ImmiAccount to the online application.

Integrity of application

The Department is committed to maintaining the integrity of the visa and citizenship program. Please be aware that if you provide us with fraudulent documents or claims, this may result in processing delays and possibly the application being refused.

Your sponsorship undertaking

The undertaking you must sign in the form states that you agree to accept all financial obligations to the Commonwealth incurred by the applicant arising out of the applicant's stay in Australia. You are responsible for compliance by the person you are sponsoring with all conditions under which that person is allowed to enter Australia.

Note: Holders of Visitor visas – Sponsored Family stream are not permitted to work in Australia.

What is the security bond?

As the sponsor of the visa applicant, you may be requested to arrange for the lodgement of a security bond. A security bond may be requested for each individual visa applicant, including any travelling family members of the relative included in your sponsorship. The amount of security bond is determined on a case by case basis by a delegated officer and is generally between AUD5,000 and AUD15,000 per person. It should be noted, however, under the *Migration Act 1958* the decision to request a security bond is at the discretion of the delegated officer. Therefore, depending on the circumstances of the individual case, the delegated officer may ask for a security bond of any amount that they see as appropriate. You will be informed in writing if a bond is requested. The request will include details of where the security should be lodged, the amount requested, and information relating to refund arrangements.

Note:

- A security bond can be provided by a third party who is not the sponsor. This person should be aged 18 years or older.
- Your sponsorship, and any security bond requested, does not guarantee the grant of any visa. Each Visitor visa applicant must meet all visa requirements individually. The sponsorship you provide in this form is only one of the criteria which must be met by the visa applicant for a Visitor visa – Sponsored Family stream.

What happens to the security bond?

The security bond will be refunded after the visitor you have sponsored has left Australia, provided they do not breach any visa conditions.

Visa validity and conditions

Visitor visas are temporary visas. The visa period is determined on a case by case basis and may be less than the period your visitor requested.

A visa may be granted for a single entry or multiple entries within a specified period.

Visitors to Australia must be willing and able to abide by their visa conditions while in Australia. As a sponsor, you are responsible for ensuring that your visitor complies with their visa conditions.

If any visitor you have sponsored does not depart Australia before their visa ceases or does not comply with their visa conditions:

- their visa may be cancelled or they may be subject to other penalties
- you may become ineligible to sponsor another visitor for 5 years
- your security bond may be forfeited.

If your visitor is granted a visa, they should carefully check the details and conditions on their grant letter. They can also check their visa details and conditions using Visa Entitlement Verification Online system (VEVO). Further information on VEVO is available at

https://immi.homeaffairs.gov.au/visas/already-have-a-visa/check-visa-details-and-conditions/check-conditions-online

If your visitor requests a waiver of the 8503 'No Further Stay' condition and this results in your visitor remaining in Australia after their Visitor visa expires, they will still be taken to have breached the 8531 'Must leave before visa expiry' condition, and you will still incur the penalties listed above, even if the 8503 is waived and a further visa is granted.

Supporting documents

You need to provide documents to prove your relationship to each visitor you are seeking to sponsor. This may include, for example, birth certificates or marriage certificates. You will also need to provide evidence of your Australian citizenship or permanent residence status.

You should include as much information as possible to support your sponsorship application. This includes English translations of your documents. We may decide your application without requesting further information from you.

Communication with the sponsor of Visitor visa – Sponsored Family stream

The visa applicant can authorise you, the sponsor, to receive all written communications about the visa application, and to act on behalf of the visa applicant. If this authorisation has been provided, the Department will communicate with you about the visa application and will send you any written communications relating to the visa applicant that would otherwise have been sent to the visa applicant. The visa applicant will be taken to have received any documents sent to you, the sponsor, as if they had been sent to the visa applicant. The exchange of information may include personal information. To authorise you to receive all communications about the application, your sponsored visitor will need to complete the relevant sections in their application form 1419.

What is immigration assistance?

A person gives immigration assistance if he or she uses, or purports to use, his or her knowledge or experience in migration procedure to assist a person with matters related under the *Migration Act 1958*.

The most common times assistance is provided is during visa application processes, visa cancellation processes or sponsorship processes (including monitoring or sanctions).

Note: Immigration assistance does not include simply filling in an application form, translating or interpreting or passing on information about an application without comment or explanation.

Registered migration agents

A registered migration agent is a person who is registered with the Office of the Migration Agents Registration Authority (OMARA) to provide immigration assistance.

If operating in Australia, migration agents must be registered with the OMARA.

Information on registered migration agents, including how to find one, is available on the OMARA website **www.mara.gov.au**

Legal practitioners

A legal practitioner is a lawyer who holds an Australian legal practising certificate (whether restricted or unrestricted) granted under a law of an Australian state or territory.

Legal practitioners can provide immigration assistance in connection with legal practice.

Information on legal practitioners, including how to find one, is available on the Law Council of Australia website.

Information on legal practitioners can also be sought from the relevant state or territory legal professional bodies.

Exempt persons

The following people do not have to be a registered migration agent or legal practitioner in order to provide immigration assistance:

- a close family member (spouse, child, adopted child, parent, brother or sister of a visa applicant);
- a sponsor or nominator for a visa applicant;
- a member of parliament or their staff;
- a member of a diplomatic mission, consular post or international organisation.

An exempt person **must not charge a fee** for their assistance. In Australia, if they do charge a fee they are committing an offence and penalties of up to 10 years jail can apply.

Appointing a registered migration agent/legal practitioner/exempt person

To appoint a registered migration agent/legal practitioner/exempt person you should complete Question 20 *Options for receiving written communications*.

Your registered migration agent/legal practitioner/exempt person should complete form 956 *Appointment of a registered migration agent, legal practitioner or exempt person.*

Form 956 is available from the Department's website **www.homeaffairs.gov.au/allforms/**

Options for receiving written communications

If you do not appoint a migration agent/legal practitioner/exempt person you may still authorise another person, in writing, to receive written communications on your behalf. This person is called the authorised recipient.

Authorised recipient information

All written communication about your application will be sent to your authorised recipient, unless you indicate that you wish to have health and/or character information sent directly to you.

The Department will communicate with the most recently appointed authorised recipient as you may only appoint one authorised recipient at any time for a particular application.

You will be taken to have received any documents sent to that person as if they had been sent to you.

To appoint an authorised recipient you should complete:

- Question 20 Options for receiving written communications; and
- form 956A Appointment or withdrawal of an authorised recipient.

Note: Migration agents/legal practitioners/exempt persons do not need to complete form 956A.

Form 956A is available from the Department's website www.homeaffairs.gov.au/allforms/

Consent to communicate electronically

Note: Electronic communication is the fastest means of communication available and the Department prefers to communicate electronically because this results in faster processing.

The Department may use a range of means to communicate with vou. However, electronic means such as email will only be used if vou indicate your agreement to receiving communication in this

To process your application the Department may need to communicate with you about sensitive information, for example, health, police checks, financial viability and personal relationships. Electronic communications, unless adequately encrypted, are not secure and may be viewed by others or interfered with.

If you agree to the Department communicating with you by electronic means, the details you provide will only be used by the Department for the purpose for which you have provided them, unless there is a legal obligation or necessity to use them for another purpose, or you have consented to use for another purpose. They will not be added to any mailing list.

The Australian Government accepts no responsibility for the security or integrity of any information sent to the Department over the internet or by other electronic means.

If you authorise another person to receive documents on your behalf and they wish to be contacted electronically, their signature is required on form 956 or 956A to indicate their consent to this form of communication.

Important information about privacy

The Privacy Act 1988 contains 13 Australian Privacy Principles which regulate the way that the Department collects and handles personal information. Information about how the Department collects, uses and discloses personal information for its key functions can be found in form 1442i Privacy notice. More information about the Department's general information handling practices (including form 1442i) can be found in the Department's Privacy policy at https://www.homeaffairs.gov.au/access-andaccountability/our-commitments/privacy

Home page www.homeaffairs.gov.au

General enquiry line

Telephone **131 881** during business hours in Australia to speak to an operator (recorded information available outside these hours). If you are outside Australia, please contact your nearest Australian mission.





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Please open this form using Adobe Acrobat Reader. Either type (in English) in the fields provided or print this form and complete it (in English) using a pen and BLOCK LETTERS. Tick where applicable Sponsorship details	Give details of the visa applicant(s) you are sponsoring as sponsored family visitor(s) Applicant 1 Family name Given names
Have you previously sponsored a visitor as a short stay sponsored visitor or a sponsored family visitor, and that visitor is still in Australia? No	Sex Male Female Indeterminate / Intersex / Unspecified Day Month Year Date of birth Relationship status Never married or been in a de facto De facto Widowed Deen in a de facto relationship Details from passport Date of issue Day Month Year Date of expiry Issuing authority/place of issue as shown in their passport The passport should be valid for the period of stay they are applying for. Are you related to this visa applicant? No What is your government position? (eg. Member of Parliament, Mayor) What is your relationship to this visa applicant? (eg. brother, sister, parent) What documents are you providing as evidence of your relationship to this applicant? (eg. marriage certificate or birth certificate etc.)

translations.

Please attach copies of certificates of the relationship including any

Applicant 2	Applicant 3
Family name	Family name
Given names	Given names
Sex Male Female Indeterminate / Intersex / Unspecified Day Month Year	Sex Male Female Indeterminate / Intersex / Unspecified Day Month Year
Date of birth	Date of birth
Country of birth	Country of birth
Relationship status	Relationship status
Married Separated Never married or Engaged Divorced been in a de facto relationship	Married Separated Never married or Engaged Divorced been in a de facto relationship
Details from passport	Details from passport
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Yes What is your relationship to this visa applicant? (eg. brother, sister, parent)	Yes What is your relationship to this visa applicant? (eg. brother, sister, parent)
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Applicant 4	Applicant 5
Family name	Family name
Given names	Given names
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Date of birth	Date of birth
Country of birth	Country of birth
Relationship status	Relationship status
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Applicant 6	Applicant 7
Family name	Family name
Given names	Given names
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Day Month Year	Day Month Year
Date of birth	Date of birth
Country of birth	Country of birth
Relationship status	Relationship status
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Engaged Divorced been in a de facto relationship	Engaged Divorced been in a de facto relationship
De facto Widowed	De facto Widowed
Details from passport	Details from passport
Passport number	Passport number
Country of passport	Country of passport
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Please attach copies of certificates of the relationship including any translations.

If applicable, details of any further visitors you wish to sponsor should be provided in a separate document and uploaded in ImmiAccount along with this completed form 1149.

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	Address for correspondence			
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Sponsorship undertaking for a sponsored family visitor

WARNING: Giving false or misleading information is a serious offence.

- **21** I agree to accept responsibility for:
 - all financial obligations to the Commonwealth incurred by those I am sponsoring arising out of the applicant's stay in Australia; and
 - unless the Minister decides otherwise, compliance by those I am sponsoring with the conditions under which they may be allowed to enter Australia.

I understand that the following visa conditions will be imposed on the visa:

- the visitor must not work in Australia;
- the visitor cannot apply for a further stay in Australia;¹
- the visitor must not remain in Australia after the expiry of the period of stay of the visa on which they enter Australia;
- the visitor must not engage, for more than 3 months, in any studies or training while in Australia.

I understand that any breach of the above visa conditions will prevent me from being approved as a sponsor for 5 years.²

Except in limited circumstances which are outside their control, or to engage Australia's protection obligations under the 1951 Convention Relating to the Status of Refugees.

² Except if the breach was of condition 8531 (must not remain in Australia after the expiry of the period of stay of the visa on which they entered Australia) and I can satisfy the Department that my visitor breached this condition due to circumstances that:

[•] were beyond their control; and

[•] arose after their arrival in Australia.

Security bond and sponsorship limitation

22 I confirm that I will arrange for the lodgement of a security bond for each applicant I have sponsored if requested to do so.

I understand that any visa application(s) being lodged pursuant to this sponsorship may:

- be refused, regardless of my sponsorship;
- be refused, regardless of my sponsorship and any security bond I lodge;
- be approved on the basis of this sponsorship and any security bond lodged pursuant to this sponsorship.

I understand that the Minister must not approve this sponsorship:

- if I am already the sponsor for another person who holds a Sponsored (Visitor) (Class UL) visa or a Visitor (Class FA) visa (unless the new applicant is a member of the family unit of the previous applicant, and is travelling for the same purpose as the previous applicant); or
- if I have previously sponsored another applicant who held a
 Sponsored (Visitor) (Class UL) visa or a Visitor (Class FA) visa and that
 applicant did not comply with a condition of the visa, 5 years has not
 passed since that applicant was granted their visa and I am still
 subject to a 5 year bar.

I understand that:

 the security bond(s), if requested and lodged, may be forfeited should any visitor I support not comply with any of their visa conditions even if the 8503 'No Further Stay' condition is waived and a further visa is granted.

Your signature				
	Day	Month	Year	
Date				

Declaration

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I,	(family name)	
	(given names)	
of		
		Postcode

declare that:

- the information I have supplied on this form and in all attachments is true and correct:
- I understand and will honour all obligations in respect of the visitors I sponsor in this form;
- I understand that failure to provide correct information may lead to refusal of the Visitor visa application, or cancellation of any Visitor visas granted;
- I agree to accept all financial obligations to the Commonwealth incurred by the applicant arising out of the applicant's stay in Australia;
- I agree to accept responsibility for compliance with all conditions under which the applicant I am sponsoring was allowed to enter Australia:
- I have read the information contained in form 1442i Privacy notice; and
- I understand the Department may collect, use and disclose my personal information (including biometric information and other sensitive information) as outlined in form 1442i *Privacy notice*.

Note: Before you sign this application, please ensure that you have read and understand all of the above statements and conditions.

Your signature	Æ		
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We strongly advise that you keep a copy of your application and all attachments for your records.