NEW ZEALAND
IMMIGRATION

Fees Guide

A guide to Immigration New Zealand's fees and levies

This guide provides information about the fees and levies Immigration New Zealand (INZ) charges, who has to pay and how to pay.

If we decline your application or request, we will not refund the fee and levies (if applicable).

To find out how much to pay, where to send your application and how long a decision may take, see **www.immigration.govt.nz/fees**.

What do you pay?

Application Fees

If you are in New Zealand when you make your application, you are required to pay the fee specified in Band A of the fees table on pages 3-4.

If you are outside New Zealand when you make your application, the fee you are required to pay depends on your country of citizenship. Citizens of Pacific countries specified below pay the fee in Band B. Citizens of all other countries pay the fee in Band C.

If paying in a currency other than NZD, the fee payable may vary slightly because of exchange rates.

New Zealand Electronic Travel Authority (NZeTA)

An NZeTA improves the way travellers are assessed before they arrive in New Zealand, and helps reduce the time needed for border clearance.

To see whether you require an NZeTA before you travel go to **www.immigration.govt.nz/nzeta**

Immigration Levy

The purpose of the immigration levy is to fund:

- programmes to assist the successful settlement of migrants
- research into settlement issues and the impacts of immigration
- infrastructure required for, and the operation of, the immigration system
- activities aimed at attracting migrants to New Zealand
- the Immigration Advisers Authority to the extent that it is not otherwise funded.

An immigration levy is payable on certain visa applications, unless you are exempt. The levy is charged per application, unless the application is for a group visitor visa, in which case the levy is charged per person.

People exempt from the immigration levy

You are exempt from paying the immigration levy if you:

- are a citizen of Samoa applying for a resident visa,
- are a claimant for refugee or protection status and applying for a visa,
- are applying for a resident visa as a refugee or protected person,
- are applying for a resident visa on the basis of your relationship with a refugee or protected person,
- are applying for a visa under the Refugee Family Support Category,
- are applying for a visa under the Special Category for Victims of Family Violence,
- are applying for a visa under the Special Category for Victims of People Trafficking, or
- are applying for a visa under the Skilled Migrant Category Job Search,
- are applying for a Migrant Exploitation Protection work visa,
- are applying for a visa as the partner or dependent child of a person who holds or is applying for a Migrant Exploitation Protection work visa.

International Visitor Conservation and Tourism Levy (IVL)

The purpose of the IVL is to fund:

- conservation
- infrastructure used for tourism
- other initiatives related to tourism

Find out more about the IVL at **www.mbie.govt.nz/IVL**.

An IVL is payable with NZeTA requests and for certain visa applications. The IVL is charged for each person included in the application. If you are required to pay the IVL and you apply online, the IVL payment will be included in the overall application amount.

To find out which visas require payment of the IVL, visit **www.immigration.govt.nz/fees**.

Dual citizenship

If you have dual citizenship you must pay the fee applicable to the passport used in your application.

Pacific countries

The fees listed in Band B of the fees table on pages 3 to 4 apply to applications from citizens of Australia, American Samoa, Fiji, Kiribati, Marshall Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, Nauru, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Pitcairn Islands, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu, Vanuatu, and citizens of Cook Islands and Niue not travelling on a New Zealand passport.

Note: In the case of applications from citizens of French Polynesia, Guam, New Caledonia, and Norfolk Island, the fee band will differ for some application types. See www.immigration.govt.nz/fees for further information.

Citizens of Pacific countries are exempt from paying the IVL, including Australian permanent residents.

Fee-waiver countries

The New Zealand Government has bilateral fee-waiver agreements with certain countries. Citizens of those countries do not have to pay fees and the immigration levy (if applicable) for certain application types, as listed in the following table.

Fee waivers do not apply to the IVL or fee for replacing/transferring a visa label in a new passport.

Country	Type of visa / endorsement / condition
Austria	Offshore applications for a: • residence class visa • visitor visa Onshore and offshore applications for: • a variation of travel conditions on a resident visa • a permanent resident visa • a second or subsequent resident visa • an endorsement indicating New Zealand citizenship • a variation of travel conditions on a visitor visa.
Finland	Onshore and offshore applications for any type of visa, endorsement or variation of travel conditions (except transfers).
Greece	Offshore applications for a visitor visa. Onshore and offshore applications for: • a variation of travel conditions on a resident visa • a permanent resident visa • a second or subsequent resident visa • an endorsement indicating New Zealand citizenship • a variation of travel conditions on a visitor visa.
Iceland	Onshore and offshore applications for any type of visa, endorsement or variation of travel conditions (except transfers).
Israel	Offshore applications for a visitor visa. Onshore and offshore applications for: • a variation of travel conditions on a resident visa • a permanent resident visa • a second or subsequent resident visa • an endorsement indicating New Zealand citizenship • a variation of travel conditions on a visitor visa.
Italy	Offshore applications for a visitor visa. Onshore and offshore applications for: • a variation of travel conditions on a resident visa • a permanent resident visa • a second or subsequent resident visa • an endorsement indicating New Zealand citizenship • a variation of travel conditions on a visitor visa.
Japan	Offshore applications for any type of visa, endorsement or travel condition (except transfers). Onshore and offshore applications for: • a variation of travel conditions on a resident visa • a permanent resident visa • a second or subsequent resident visa • an endorsement indicating New Zealand citizenship • a variation of travel conditions on a temporary visa.
Mexico	Offshore applications for a: • visitor visa • work visa • student visa.
Philippines	Offshore applications for a: • visitor visa (for visits not exceeding 59 days) • student visa (for visits not exceeding 59 days). Onshore applications for a: • variation of travel conditions on a visitor visa (where the visitor visa does not exceed 59 days) • variation of travel conditions on a student visa (where the student visa does not exceed 59 days).
Turkey	Offshore applications for a visitor visa. Onshore and offshore applications for: • a variation of travel conditions on a resident visa • a permanent resident visa • a second or subsequent resident visa • an endorsement indicating New Zealand citizenship • a variation of travel conditions on a visitor visa.
United States of America	Offshore applications for a: • visitor visa • work visa • student visa. Onshore applications for a: • variation of travel conditions on a visitor visa • variation of travel conditions on a work visa • variation of travel conditions on a student visa.

Partnership work visa fees

The work visa fees for 'Partnership work visa' on page 4 are for applications from partners of New Zealand citizens, residents, and temporary work and student visa holders.

Do all family members have to pay?

All family members included in an application have to pay the IVL, unless exempt. You only have to pay one application fee and immigration levy for all of the people included in your application, except if applying for a group visitor visa or group transit visa. You can include your partner and/or dependent children in your application if you are applying for a:

- residence class visa
- variation of travel conditions on a resident visa
- visitor visa
- limited visa to visit New Zealand
- transit visa.

'Partner' means the spouse, civil union partner or de facto partner of the applicant where the couple have been living together for 12 months or more. This includes same-sex couples. See below for definitions of dependent children.

For all other application types, partners and children must make their own application for a visa and pay the required fee and immigration levy.

Dependent children – residence class visa applications

You can include your/your partner's dependent children in your residence application if they are:

- aged 17 or under and single, or
- aged between 18 and 20 years, single, and have no children of their own, or
- aged 21 – 24, single with no children of their own and totally or substantially reliant on you or your partner for financial support.

Children aged 24 and under who are not dependent and children aged 25 or over must make their own application and pay the required fee and immigration levy.

Dependent children – visitor/transit/ limited

You can include your/your partner's children in your application if they are 19 years of age or younger, unmarried and dependent. Children aged 19 and younger who are not dependent and children aged 20 or over must make their own application and pay the required fee and levies.

Rates for Fees and Levies

Explanatory note – To determine the total amount an applicant must pay, add the fee in the applicable band to the amount in the immigration levy column and add the IVL per person in the application (if applicable).

Example 1: When applying under the Residence – Family category while in New Zealand the total cost will be $5360 per new fee and levy schedule (Band A fee of $1940 + immigration levy of $3420).

Example 2: An Indian citizen and their partner applying for a visitor visa while in India – the total cost will be $541 per new fee and levy schedule and IVL (Band C fee of $300 + immigration levy of $41 + IVL of $200 per new IVL of $100 per person for two applicants).

Type of application	Fee Band (NZ$)			Immigration Levy The amount in this column are in addition to the fee.	IVL (NZ$) This amount is paid per person and in addition to the fee and immigration levy.
	Band A New Zealand (GST incl)	Band B Pacific	Band C Rest of World		
Residence class visa					
Business Investor Category	11,320	5,610	11,320	3,570	
Skilled Residence	2,880	1,860	2,880	3,570	–
Entrepreneur Residence Category	11,320	5,610	11,320	3,570	–
Active Investor Plus Category	12,070	6,190	12,070	15,400	
Residence from Work Category	2,920	–	–	3,570	–
Family Category	1,940	1,390	1,940	3,420	–
Dependent Child	1,830	1,360	1,830	1,400	
Parent Retirement Category	9,430	5,140	9,430	3,420	–
Samoan Quota Scheme	820	800	–	–	–
Pacific Access Category	1,300	1,280	–	–	–
Employees of Relocating Business Category	1,940	1,390	1,940	3,570	–
Pitcairn Islanders	1,940	1,390	1,940	–	–
Any other residence category	1,940	1,390	1,940	Varies	–
Applications for					
Permanent resident visa (by a person holding resident visa or who previously held a resident visa)	315	260	315	–	–
A grant of second or subsequent resident visa	275	250	275	–	–
A variation of travel conditions on a resident visa	320	260	320	–	–
Expressions of Interest under Parent Category					
Hard copy	575	555	575	–	–
Online	450	435	450	–	–
Registration under Pacific Access Category					
First year's registration	89	86	89	–	–
Second and subsequent year's registration	89	49	89	–	–
Temporary visa					
Business Investor Work Visa Application	11,320	5,190	11,320	1,060	
Visitor visa	300	120	300	41	*
Parent Boost	1,940	1,390	1940	1,060	100
Temporary Retirement Category visitor visa	7,750	4,720	7,750	41	100

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Group visitor visa – person					
Group visitor visa – Approved Destination Status (China) – offshore only*	–	–	55	85	100
Other group visitor visa	86	63	86	85	100
Student visa	485	270	485	265	*
Post-study work visa	320	270	320	1,350	
Partnership work visa	570	570	570	1,060	–
Work to Residence	570	570	570	1,060	
Entrepreneur Work Visa	11,320	5,190	11,320	1,060	–
Working holiday scheme	215	–	215	455	100
Working holidaymaker extension	245	–	245	455	100
Accredited Employer Work Visa	480	480	480	1,060	–
Work visa – other	295	250	295	1,060	*
Reconsideration of decision to decline temporary visa	220	–	–	–	
Limited visa					
Limited visa – student	485	270	485	265	100
Limited visa – employer	325	285	325	–	–
Limited visa – other	325	195	325	80	100
Transit visa					
Transit visa	235	195	235	–	–
Other matters – applications or requests by employers and organisations					
Approval in principle to recruit foreign crew of fishing vessels	6,610	–	–	–	–
Request for supplementary seasonal employment approval in principle	335	–	–	–	–
Recognised Seasonal Employer status	1,040	–	–	–	–
Agreement to recruit under Recognised Seasonal Employer instructions	280	–	–	–	–
Entertainment Industry accreditation (under Specific Purpose or Events instructions)					
First year's registration	2,310	–	–	–	–
Second and subsequent year's registration	650	–	–	–	–
Employer accreditation (under Accredited Employer immigration instructions)					
Employer accreditation (standard)	775	–	–	–	–
Employer accreditation (upgrade from standard to high volume)	505	–	–	–	–
Employer accreditation (high volume)	1,280	–	–	–	–
Employer accreditation (triangular employment)	4,060	–	–	–	–
Reconsideration of employer accreditation application	250	–	–	–	–
Job Check (under Accredited Employer immigration instructions)	735	–	–	–	–
Reconsideration of Job Check	250	–	–	–	–

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Other matters – general					
Special direction	260	255	260	–	–
Residence class visa granted under section 61	1,510	–	–	–	–
Temporary entry class visa granted under section 61	640	–	–	–	–
Variation of conditions on a temporary entry class visa	325	240	325	–	–
Call-out fee where office is opened outside normal working hours in order to process immigration matter	375	365	375	–	–
Confirmation of immigration status	225	170	225	–	–
Transfer fee where visa stamp or label transferred from one passport or certificate to another	225	170	225	–	–
Endorsement indicating New Zealand citizenship					
First endorsement indicating New Zealand citizenship	225	185	225	–	–
Second and subsequent endorsement indicating New Zealand citizenship	225	140	225	–	–
New Zealand Electronic Travel Authority (NZeTA)					
Request for traveller NZeTA made via INZ website	23	23	23	–	100
Request for traveller NZeTA made via mobile app	17	17	17	–	100
Request for transit NZeTA made via INZ website	23	23	23	–	–
Request for transit NZeTA made via mobile app	17	17	17	–	–
Request for crew NZeTA	17	17	17	–	–

**see www.immigration.govt.nz/fees to find out if the Immigration levy or IVL is payable.*

For more information

If you have questions about any of the information in this guide, or you want more information on fees, see our website **www.immigration.govt.nz/fees**

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