

## Royal Thai Consulate-General, Qingdao

### FAQ

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#### Visa

##### **1. Where can I apply for an e-visa?**

-- Answer: [www.thaievisa.go.th](http://www.thaievisa.go.th)

##### **2. What are required documents for my e-visa application?**

-- Answer: Applicants can check what documents are required for their type of visas at our websites: (1) [www.thaievisa.go.th](http://www.thaievisa.go.th) and (2) [qingdao.thaiembassy.org](http://qingdao.thaiembassy.org) or follow our official WeChat account: RTCG-Qingdao (click on "Visa" in the lower left corner, select "Application Checklist").

##### **3. I encounter some technical problem while uploading documents to my application and the system requires me to re-login, what should I do to avoid such problem?**

-- Answer: It is recommended to use compatible web browsers, i.e. Firefox/Google. In addition, applicants should not leave the browser inactive for too long as it could cause the system to auto-logout.

##### **4. Can I modify any information in my application after submitting it?**

-- Answer: No, it cannot be modified. Applicants must carefully check all details in their applications, especially name and passport number, and make sure they are correct before submitting them.

##### **5. What file formats can I use to upload documents in the e-visa application system?**

-- Answer: The e-visa application system supports files in PDF and JPG formats.

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**6. Why does the number of applications allowed to be submitted by each personal account limited to only 10 applications? In the case of applications submitted by a company for its employees, this limitation requires the company to create several accounts.**

-- Answer: Currently, new feature is being developed so that a personal account may manage over 10 active applications.

**7. Do official documents in Chinese language need to be notarized by notary offices in Shandong Province and foreign affairs offices before they are submitted with the visa application?**

-- Answer: Yes, documents submitted with the visa application, such as the highest education certificate, no criminal record and proof of kinship, they need to be notarized by notary offices in Shandong Province and certified by foreign affairs offices.

**8. Does visa documentation have any validity period?**

-- Answer: Yes, documents submitted with the application shall not exceed 6 months since their issued dates.

**9. I need to buy an air ticket before applying for a visa?**

-- Answer: Yes, in all cases air ticket must be submitted together with the proof of payment/receipt before the visa can be processed. If your plan to stay in Thailand for less than 90 days, you must submit a round-trip air ticket with the proof of payment/receipt. But if you plan to be in Thailand for longer than that, you may provide the itinerary of the outbound flight in English (including the payment). The abovementioned itinerary can be obtained by contacting the airline. Itinerary without the proof of payment will not be accepted.

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**10. Please advise how to upload documents for business Non-Immigration (IB) visa.**

-- Answer: If you are applying for a business NON-IB visa, please refer to the business NON-B visa in the application tips

[https://mp.weixin.qq.com/s/gpyTo9AN6\\_ooQ9W-rX2oAw](https://mp.weixin.qq.com/s/gpyTo9AN6_ooQ9W-rX2oAw)

The required documents are basically the same except that you may provide BOI invitation letter instead of WP3.

**11. How long does it take for the long-term visa to be issued?**

-- Answer: If you apply for a long-term visa (staying in Thailand for more than 90 days), it generally takes 30-40 days.

**12. How to apply for Thailand medical visa?**

-- Answer: The documents required for medical visa are the same as tourist visa documentation, with additional documents e.g. invitation letter issued by the Ministry of Health, invitation letter issued by the hospital, bank certificate of frozen fund that covers the period stay in Thailand etc. Please refer to our checklist here:

<https://mp.weixin.qq.com/s/7EgeUJvarJtOBljXS5kSLw>

**13. I am going to Thailand to attend a sport event in Thailand, which type of visa should I apply for?**

-- Answer: If you want to participate in Thailand sports activity, please refer to the Transit Visa (Sports) in our checklist here:

<https://mp.weixin.qq.com/s/7EgeUJvarJtOBljXS5kSLw>

**14. Does the visa require an interview?**

-- Answer: In some case an interview will be required. You will be informed in such case.

**15. What would happen if I do not provide all the documents on the checklist?**

-- Answer: The applicant is expected to study the checklist and visa requirements thoroughly before submitting the application. Incomplete set of documentation will affect the Consulate's discretion on your application and there is a very high chance that it will be rejected.

**16. Where can I find the Consulate's annual holidays?**

-- Answer: please visit our WeChat official account.

**17. Does the Non-Immigration (O) visa require the Highest education and No criminal record certificate?**

-- Answer: No.

**18. How to apply for the Elite visa?**

-- Answer: You need Thailand Elite Membership to be entitled to an Elite visa. If you have already had the membership, please make an appointment with us beforehand.

**19. What should I do if my personal information (e.g. name, passport number, date of birth and gender) in the application is incorrect?**

-- Answer: Applicants should carefully check all information before submitting the application. Should any personal information is wrong, the application will be cancelled.

**20. What should I put in the "middle name" section?**

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-- Answer: If you don't have a middle name, just leave it blank. Normally Chinese names do not have middle name. If your surname or given name contains more than 2 characters you should fill it in respective section (surname/given name), e.g. Given Name: XIAOHONG. Surname: WANG.

## **Legalization**

### **21. How to apply for consular legalization?**

-- Answer: consular legalization requires an appointment two working days in advance. Required documents: (1) documents notarized by the notary office and certified by the Foreign Affairs Office (one original and one copy) and (2) an application form (available at the Consulate). The fee is 125 yuan (cash)/each.

### **22. Can I send documents for legalization to you by post?**

-- Answer: No, they have to be submitted and picked up in person.

### **23. Do I have to submit and pick up the document in person?**

-- Answer: You can entrust others to deliver it on your behalf. For the pick-up, you need to prepare: (1) A signed copy of your ID card (front and back page), (2) A signed copy of the consignee's ID card (front and back page) (3) Power of Attorney in English plus the client's signature. (4) receipt of legalization.

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