



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 will improve the way travellers are assessed before they arrive in New Zealand, and help 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 visa under the 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 visa under the 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: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> residence class visa visitor visa Onshore and offshore applications for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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.

Country	Type of visa / endorsement / condition
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: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> visitor visa work visa student visa.
Philippines	Offshore applications for a: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> visitor visa (for visits not exceeding 59 days) student visa (for visits not exceeding 59 days). Onshore applications for a: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> visitor visa work visa student visa. Onshore applications for a: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> variation of travel conditions on a visitor visa variation of travel conditions on a work visa variation of travel conditions on a student visa.

Work – Partnership visa fees

The work visa fees for ‘Work – Partnership’ on page 4 are for applications from partners of New Zealand citizens or residents. If you are applying on the basis of partnership with a non-New Zealand citizen or resident, for example as the partner of a worker or partner of a student, the ‘Work – Other’ fee will apply.

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 \$2,750 (Band A fee of \$1,200 + immigration levy of \$1,550).

Example 2: An Indian citizen and their partner applying for a visitor visa while in India – the total cost will be \$281 (Band C fee of \$190 + immigration levy of \$21 + IVL of \$70 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					
Skilled Migrant Category	1,880	1,610	2,480	2,410	–
Entrepreneur Residence Category	3,710	3,710	3,710	3,150	–
Residence from Work Category	1,090	–	–	3,150	–
Family Category	1,200	1,200	2,060	1,550	–
Parent Retirement Category	3,710	3,710	3,710	1,550	–
Samoa Quota Scheme	820	800	–	–	–
Pacific Access Category	890	870	–	410	–
Employees of Relocating Business Category	1,200	1,200	2,060	3,150	–
Pitcairn Islanders	1,200	1,200	2,060	410	–
Any other residence category	1,200	1,200	2,060	*	–
Applications for					
• a permanent resident visa (by a person holding resident visa or who previously held a resident visa)	240	240	240	–	–
• a grant of second or subsequent resident visa	240	240	240	–	–
• a variation of travel conditions on a resident visa	240	240	240	–	–
Expressions of Interest under Skilled Migrant Category					
• Hard copy	–	–	–	–	–
• Online	–	–	–	–	–
Expressions of Interest under Parent Category					
• Hard copy	550	550	550	–	–
• Online	430	430	430	–	–
Expression of Interest under Investor (Investor 2) Category					
	690	690	690	–	–
Expressions of Interest under Residence class visa (where required under COVID-19 immigration instructions)					
	45	45	45	–	–
Registration under Pacific Access Category					
First year's registration	85	85	85	–	–
Second and subsequent year's registration	35	35	35	–	–
Temporary visa – visitor visa					
Visitor visa	190	150	190	21	35
Temporary Retirement Category visitor visa	3,710	3,710	3,710	80	35
Group visitor visa – person					
Approved Destination Status (China) – offshore only	–	–	35	55	35
• Other group visitor visa	55	55	55	55	35

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Temporary visa – student visa					
Student visa	280	220	300	95	*
Temporary visa – work visa					
Work visa – Partnership/ Work to Residence	650	650	650	210	–
Entrepreneur Work Visa	3,710	3,140	3,710	210	–
Work visa – Working holiday scheme	210	–	210	210	35
Work visa – working holidaymaker extension	210	–	210	210	35
Work visa – Accredited Employer	540	540	540	210	–
Work visa – other	490	410	490	210	*
Temporary visa – related matters					
Reconsideration of decision to decline temporary visa	250	–	–	–	–
Limited visa					
Limited visa – student	280	220	300	95	35
Limited visa – work recognised seasonal employer	310	270	310	15	*
Limited visa – other	210	170	210	80	*
Expressions of Interest under Temporary entry class visa (where required under COVID-19 immigration instructions)					
Individual	45	45	45	–	–
Business or agency	380	380	380	–	–
Transit visa					
Transit visa	180	180	180	–	–
Transit visa – group Chinese nationals (per person)	110	110	110	–	–
Other matters – applications or requests by employers and organisations					
Approval in principle to recruit foreign crew of fishing vessels	6,310	–	–	–	–
Request for supplementary seasonal employment approval in principle	320	–	–	–	–
Recognised Seasonal Employer status	1,080	–	–	–	–
Agreement to recruit under Recognised Seasonal Employer instructions	290	–	–	–	–
Request for approval in principle to travel to New Zealand (where required under COVID-19 immigration instructions)	380	380	380	–	–
Entertainment Industry accreditation (under Specific Purpose or Events instructions)					
• First year's registration	2,200	–	–	–	–
• Second and subsequent year's registration	620	–	–	–	–
Employer accreditation (under Accredited Employer immigration instructions)					
• standard	740	–	–	–	–
• upgrade from standard to high volume	480	–	–	–	–
• high volume	1,220	–	–	–	–

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	Band A New Zealand (GST incl)	Band B Pacific	Band C Rest of World		
• triangular employment	3,870	–	–	–	–
• franchisee	1,980	–	–	–	–
Reconsideration of employer accreditation application	240	–	–	–	–
Job Check (under Accredited Employer immigration instructions)	610	–	–	–	–
Reconsideration of Job Check	240	–	–	–	–
Other matters – general					
Special direction	250	250	250	–	–
Residence class visa granted under section 61	1,080	–	–	–	–
Temporary entry class visa granted under section 61	460	–	–	–	–
Variation of conditions on a temporary entry class visa	210	210	210	–	–
Call-out fee where office is opened outside normal working hours in order to process immigration matter	360	360	360	–	–
Request for agreement to apply for variation of conditions (where required under COVID-19 immigration instructions)	45	45	45	–	–
Confirmation of immigration status	150	150	150	–	–
Transfer fee where visa stamp or label transferred from one passport or certificate to another	150	150	150	–	–
Endorsement indicating New Zealand citizenship					
• First endorsement indicating New Zealand citizenship	170	170	170	–	–
• Second and subsequent endorsement indicating New Zealand citizenship	110	110	110	–	–
New Zealand Electronic Travel Authority					
• Request for traveller NZeTA made via INZ website	23	23	23	–	35
• Request for traveller NZeTA made via mobile app	17	17	17	–	35
• 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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