

VISA

APPLICATION
SOUTH AFRICA

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Full Name:

Date of Birth:

Sex:

Nationality:

Place of Birth:



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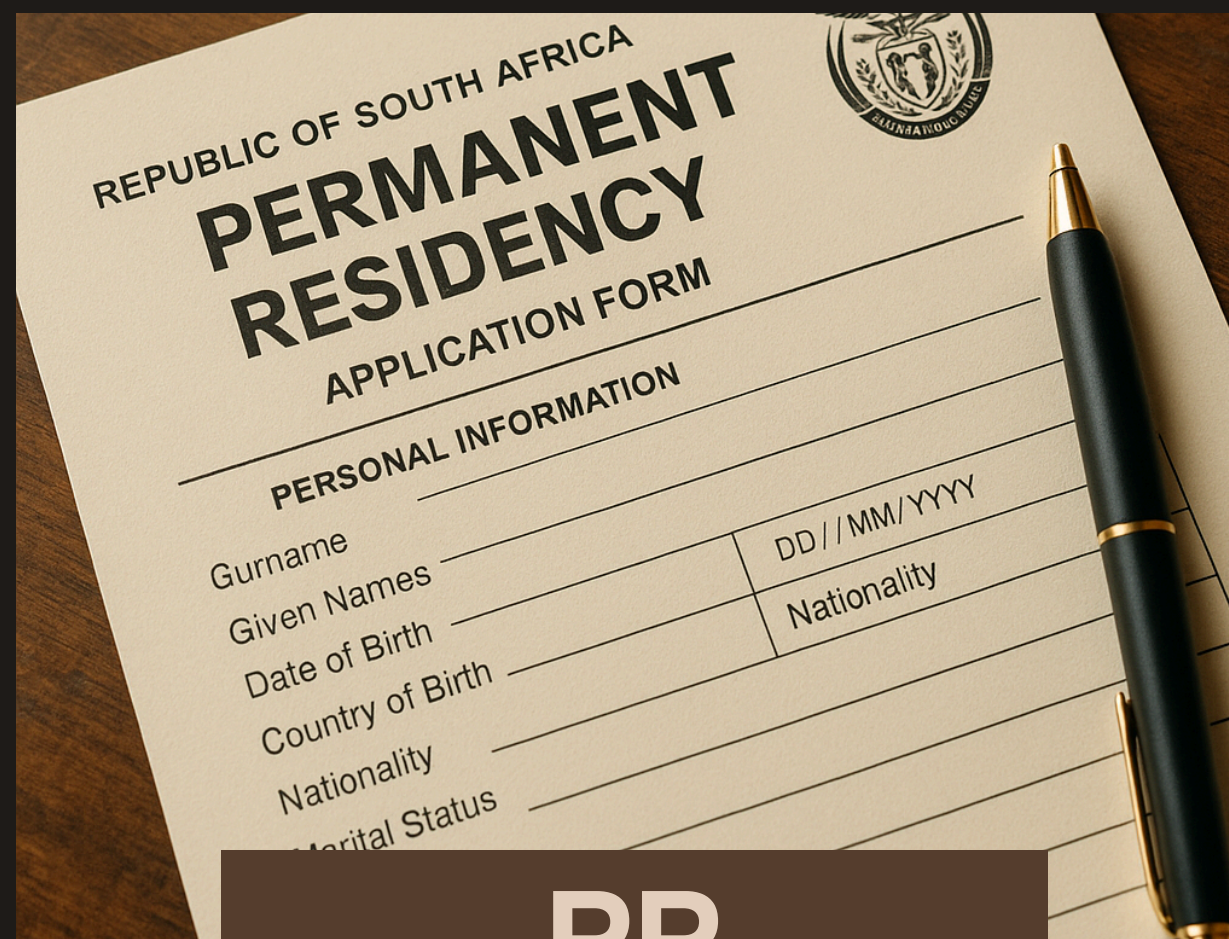
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REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

PERMANENT RESIDENCY APPLICATION FORM

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Gurname _____

Given Names _____

Date of Birth _____ DD//MM/YYYY

Country of Birth _____

Nationality _____

Marital Status _____

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REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

APPLICATION FOR CITIZENSHIP

1. FULL NAME _____

2. DATE OF BIRTH _____ d m h | year _____

3. COUNTRY OF BIRTH _____

4. IDENTITY DOCUMENT (ID) NUMBER _____

5. ADDRESS _____

CITIZENSHIP

VISAS IN SOUTH AFRICA





GENERAL WORK VISA

Applied for by applicants with qualifications, evaluated by the South African Qualifications Authority (SAQA)

Merits determined on a 100 point system, using work experience, salary etc as factors

Can be up to 5 years or less
(as per the period as stated in employment contract).

A vertical image on the left side of the slide shows a black graduation cap with a tassel resting on a stack of books. In the background, a bookshelf filled with books is visible.

CRITICAL SKILLS VISA

Applied for by applicants who possess skills that are enlisted as specialised skills in South Africa.

All such skills are backed by formal qualifications.

Need not be advertised in the newspaper seeking local candidates first.

Can be up to 5 years or less (as per the period as stated in employment contract).



BUSINESS VISA

Applied for by applicants who wish to invest five million rand into a new business, or existing business.

Some industries are excluded. Hence, even if you wish to invest in it: it will not be recognized.

Complicated two stage process which involves one to first apply to the Department of Trade & Industry (DTI) whom in turn provide a letter of recommendation which is used in the application to DHA.

Visas issued between 3-5 years



RETIRED PERSONS VISA

Must be able to prove an income of at least R40 000-00 per month.

No minimum age for retirement visa!

Visas issued for 4 years

Income needs not to be derived from sources within South Africa.

RELATIVES VISA

Issued to family members of a South African

South African must be able to show R8500-00 per month available for the family member.

Cannot work (unless endorsement applied for)

Issued for two years





SPOUSAL VISA

Issued to married spouse OR life partner (which is a notarial contract between parties)

Cannot work (unless endorsement applied for)

Issued for 3 years



STUDY VISA

Issued for 8 years to primary school learners

Issued for 6 years to high school learners.

Issued for 4 years to college students.

Need letter of acceptance from institute as part of application process

Allows for part-time work



VOLUNTEER VISA

Issued to volunteers applying via a recognized NPO

Must show they are earning an income of at least R3000-00 per month from another source which will cover their expenses during their visa

Must have return ticket booked for when applying.

Can not be paid a salary BUT can be paid a daily stipend to cover expenses

Issued for a period of 3 years.

ILLEGAL FOREIGNERS

NOTE: If one is illegal (in most cases it will be due to them having overstayed their visa beyond its termination date) the above visas will not be possible and the illegal foreigner will have to leave the country for 5 years before being able to apply.

PERMANENT RESIDENCE

After holding one of the visas for an average of 5 years, one will be eligible to apply for Permanent Residence.

Congratulations to you once this is received.

This is now permanent and you no longer need to renew visas or permits

CITIZENSHIP

After 5 years of holding permanent residence, one can apply for citizenship.

Difference between Permanent Residence and Citizenship

- Permanent Residence holders cannot vote.
- Permanent Residence holders are not given South African Passports, and use their home countries instead.
- **IMPORTANT:** Children born to Permanent Residence holders are not automatically South Africans, unlike citizens!

JUDICIAL REVIEWS

If you feel aggrieved by the decision of the Department of Home Affairs, our offices are well geared to institute legal proceedings in the High Court challenging the decision taken.

DEPORTATIONS

First you are arrested.

- After being arrested, you will be taken to the police station.
- Thereafter, within 48 hours, you have a right to have your matter heard in court.
 - Once the court orders your deportation, you will be taken to the closest repatriation centre (Lindela)
- Your first right is to be handed a Notice of Deportation (Form 29).
 - You then have 3 days to appeal the deportation decision to the Minister of Home Affairs.
- If the appeal is unsuccessful, you have the right to bring an urgent judicial review to the High Court.



THANK
FOR YOUR TIME
YOU

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