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Present:

His Excellency the Governor-General in Council

Pursuant to sections 400 to 402 of the Immigration Act 2009, His Excellency the Governor-General, acting on the advice and with the consent of the Executive Council, makes the following regulations.

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Regulations

1 Title

These regulations are the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Regulations 2010.

2 Commencement

These regulations come into force at 2 am on 29 November 2010.

3 Overview

[Revoked]

Regulation 3: revoked, at 2 am on 29 November 2010, by regulation 4 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2010 (SR 2010/382).

4 Interpretation

(1) In these regulations, unless the context requires another meaning,—

Act means the Immigration Act 2009

approved form means the relevant form approved by the chief executive under section 381(1) of the Act

Armed Forces has the meaning given in section 2(1) of the Defence Act 1990

cargo ship means a ship that is a commercial craft and that is carrying primarily cargo between any foreign port and New Zealand

Civil Staff has the meaning given in section 2(1) of the Defence Act 1990

civilian component has the meaning given in section 4(1) of the Visiting Forces Act 2004

crew ETA means an electronic travel authority that is required to be held by a person under regulation 23C

cruise ship means a ship that is a commercial craft and that is carrying primarily passengers between any foreign port and New Zealand

dependent child, in relation to an applicant,—

(a) means a child who is totally or substantially reliant on the applicant or the applicant's spouse or partner for financial support, regardless of whether the child lives with the applicant or his or her spouse or partner, or both; and

(b) includes, for the purposes of regulations 20(2)(a) and (4) and 21(6)(b)(i), a child who is single and financially independent, but—

(i) is 17 years of age or younger; or

- (ii) is of or over the age of 18 years but under 21 years and has no children

ETA means an electronic travel authority that is required to be held by a person under Part 4A

identity document means a document that—

- (a) confirms a person's identity; and
- (b) includes the person's full name and date of birth, and a photograph of the person's head and shoulders

immigration levy means the levy imposed under regulation 4B

IVL means the international visitor conservation and tourism levy imposed under regulation 26AAD

member of a visiting force has the meaning given in section 4(1) of the Visiting Forces Act 2004

military craft—

- (a) means a craft (within the meaning of section 4 of the Act) that travels for a military purpose or as part of a military operation; and
- (b) includes a commercial craft (within the meaning of section 4 of the Act) that is chartered for a military purpose or as part of a military operation

partner means a civil union partner or a de facto partner

person who previously held a resident visa means a person whose resident visa has expired because he or she has travelled in a way that does not meet the travel conditions of the visa

positioning aircraft crew means a person who is travelling to New Zealand as a passenger (other than a transit passenger) on a commercial aircraft for the purpose of leaving New Zealand as aircraft crew in the course of a scheduled international service

positioning cargo ship crew means a person who is travelling to New Zealand as a passenger (other than a transit passenger) on a commercial aircraft for the purpose of—

- (a) leaving New Zealand as crew on one of the following ships:
 - (i) a cargo ship in the ordinary course of business of the ship;
 - (ii) a foreign ship authorised by the Minister of Transport under section 198(2) of the Maritime Transport Act 1994 to carry coastal cargo (within the meaning of section 198(6) of that Act); or
- (b) staying in New Zealand as crew on one of the following ships, and then leaving New Zealand as a passenger on a commercial aircraft:
 - (i) a cargo ship in the ordinary course of business of the ship;

- (ii) a foreign ship authorised by the Minister of Transport under section 198(2) of the Maritime Transport Act 1994 to carry coastal cargo (within the meaning of section 198(6) of that Act)

positioning crew means positioning aircraft crew, positioning cargo ship crew, or positioning cruise ship crew

positioning cruise ship crew means a person who is travelling to New Zealand as a passenger (other than a transit passenger) on a commercial aircraft for the purpose of—

- (a) leaving New Zealand as cruise ship crew in the ordinary course of business of the ship; or
- (b) staying in New Zealand as cruise ship crew in the ordinary course of business of the ship, and then leaving New Zealand as a passenger on a commercial aircraft

prescribed fee, in relation to any matter, means the appropriate fee for the matter ascertained under regulation 4A

scheduled international service has the meaning given in section 4 of the Act

temporary entry class visa waiver has the meaning given in regulation 26AAD(3)

transit ETA means an electronic travel authority that is required to be held by a transit passenger under regulation 23B

traveller ETA means an electronic travel authority that is required to be held by a person under regulation 23D

visiting force has the meaning given in section 4(1) of the Visiting Forces Act 2004.

- (2) Words and expressions defined in the Act and used, but not defined, in these regulations have the same meaning as in the Act.

Regulation 4(1) **approved form**: amended, at 2 am on 29 November 2010, by regulation 5(2) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2010 (SR 2010/382).

Regulation 4(1) **Armed Forces**: inserted, at 2 am on 29 November 2010, by regulation 5(1) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2010 (SR 2010/382).

Regulation 4(1) **cargo ship**: inserted, on 1 July 2019, by regulation 4 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2019 (LI 2019/132).

Regulation 4(1) **Civil Staff**: inserted, at 2 am on 29 November 2010, by regulation 5(1) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2010 (SR 2010/382).

Regulation 4(1) **COVID-19 immigration instructions**: revoked, on 1 October 2024, by regulation 4 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 2) 2024 (SL 2024/181).

Regulation 4(1) **crew ETA**: inserted, on 1 July 2019, by regulation 4 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2019 (LI 2019/132).

Regulation 4(1) **cruise ship**: inserted, on 1 July 2019, by regulation 4 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2019 (LI 2019/132).

Regulation 4(1) **dependent child**: replaced, on 2 July 2012, by regulation 4 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 2) 2012 (SR 2012/107).

Regulation 4(1) **dependent child**: amended, on 10 August 2020, by regulation 4(2) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment (COVID-19—Applications and Fees) Regulations 2020 (LI 2020/173).

Regulation 4(1) **dependent child** paragraph (b): replaced, on 18 April 2014, by regulation 4 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2014 (LI 2014/79).

Regulation 4(1) **ETA**: inserted, on 1 July 2019, by regulation 4 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2019 (LI 2019/132).

Regulation 4(1) **immigration levy**: inserted, on 7 December 2015, by regulation 5 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 3) 2015 (LI 2015/274).

Regulation 4(1) **IVL**: inserted, on 1 July 2019, by regulation 4 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2019 (LI 2019/132).

Regulation 4(1) **military craft**: inserted, at 2 am on 29 November 2010, by regulation 5(1) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2010 (SR 2010/382).

Regulation 4(1) **person who previously held a resident visa**: inserted, at 2 am on 29 November 2010, by regulation 5(1) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2010 (SR 2010/382).

Regulation 4(1) **positioning aircraft crew**: inserted, on 1 July 2019, by regulation 4 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2019 (LI 2019/132).

Regulation 4(1) **positioning cargo ship crew**: inserted, on 1 April 2025, by regulation 4(1) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 4) 2024 (SL 2024/196).

Regulation 4(1) **positioning crew**: replaced, on 1 April 2025, by regulation 4(2) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 4) 2024 (SL 2024/196).

Regulation 4(1) **positioning cruise ship crew**: inserted, on 1 July 2019, by regulation 4 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2019 (LI 2019/132).

Regulation 4(1) **prescribed fee**: replaced, on 19 September 2014, by regulation 4 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 3) 2014 (LI 2014/283).

Regulation 4(1) **scheduled international service**: inserted, on 8 May 2017, by regulation 4 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2017 (LI 2017/52).

Regulation 4(1) **scheduled international service**: amended, on 9 November 2020, by regulation 4 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment (COVID-19—Applications and Fees) Regulations (No 2) 2020 (LI 2020/277).

Regulation 4(1) **temporary entry class visa waiver**: inserted, on 1 July 2019, by regulation 4 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2019 (LI 2019/132).

Regulation 4(1) **transit ETA**: inserted, on 1 July 2019, by regulation 4 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2019 (LI 2019/132).

Regulation 4(1) **traveller ETA**: inserted, on 1 July 2019, by regulation 4 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2019 (LI 2019/132).

4AA Transitional, savings, and related provisions

The transitional, savings, and related provisions set out in Schedule 1AA have effect according to their terms.

Regulation 4AA: inserted, on 7 December 2015, by regulation 4 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 3) 2015 (LI 2015/274).

4A Fees

- (1) For a citizen of Guam, French Polynesia, or New Caledonia who is outside New Zealand at the time the fee becomes payable,—
 - (a) the appropriate fee for any of the following matters is the corresponding amount stated in the fourth column of Schedule 4:
 - (i) an application for a residence class visa:
 - (ii) an application to vary the travel conditions on a visa by a person holding a resident visa:
 - (iii) a notification of an expression of interest in applying for a residence class visa:
 - (iv) a request for a special direction; and
 - (b) the appropriate fee for any other matter is the corresponding amount stated in the fifth column of that schedule.
- (2) For a citizen of Norfolk Island who is outside New Zealand at the time the fee becomes payable,—
 - (a) the appropriate fee for any of the following matters is the corresponding amount stated in the third column of Schedule 4:
 - (i) a notification of an expression of interest in applying for a residence class visa:
 - (ii) a request for a special direction:
 - (iii) an application for a residence class visa (other than an application for a permanent resident visa made by a person who holds or has previously held a resident visa); and
 - (b) the appropriate fee for any other matter (including an application for a permanent resident visa made by a person who holds or has previously held a resident visa) is the corresponding amount stated in the fourth column of that schedule.
- (3) Except as provided in subclauses (1) and (2), the appropriate fee for any matter is—
 - (a) the corresponding amount specified in the third column of Schedule 4, if the person to whom the fee applies—
 - (i) is in New Zealand at the time the fee is payable; or
 - (ii) is a New Zealand citizen; or
 - (iii) is a citizen of Cook Islands or Niue who is travelling on a New Zealand passport:

- (b) the corresponding amount stated in the fourth column of Schedule 4, if the person to whom the fee applies is not in New Zealand at the time the fee is payable, and is—
 - (i) a citizen of American Samoa, Australia, Fiji, Kiribati, Marshall Islands, Micronesia (Federated States of), Nauru, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Pitcairn Islands, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu, or Vanuatu; or
 - (ii) a citizen of Cook Islands or Niue who is not travelling on a New Zealand passport:
 - (c) the corresponding amount stated in the third, fourth, or fifth column of Schedule 4 that reflects the country of citizenship stated for the matter to which the fee applies, if the person to whom the fee applies—
 - (i) is not in New Zealand at the time the fee is payable; and
 - (ii) holds citizenship of more than 1 country; and
 - (iii) does not hold a Palestinian passport:
 - (d) the corresponding amount stated in the fifth column of Schedule 4, if the person to whom the fee applies—
 - (i) is not in New Zealand at the time the fee is payable; and
 - (ii) is a citizen of a country not referred to in paragraph (a) or (b); and
 - (iii) is not a person to whom paragraph (c) applies; and
 - (iv) does not hold a Palestinian passport:
 - (e) the corresponding amount stated in the third, fourth, or fifth column of Schedule 4 that reflects the country in which the person resides, if the person to whom the fee applies—
 - (i) is not in New Zealand at the time the fee is payable; and
 - (ii) holds a Palestinian passport.
- (4) In this regulation, **corresponding amount**, in relation to a matter whose description is set out in the second column of Schedule 4, means the amount stated opposite the description.

Regulation 4A: replaced, on 19 September 2014, by regulation 5 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 3) 2014 (LI 2014/283).

4B Immigration levy

- (1) An immigration levy is imposed on the applicants in the categories listed in the first column of Schedule 6.
- (2) The immigration levy payable by an applicant within a category listed in the first column of Schedule 6 is the amount specified for that category in the second column of Schedule 6.
- (3) Subclause (2) is subject to subclauses (4) and (5).

- (4) If an application relates to more than 1 person and is not an application for a group visitor visa, only the principal applicant is liable to pay the immigration levy.
- (5) Subclause (2) does not apply to an applicant who is exempt from the obligation to pay an immigration levy—
 - (a) by a special direction; or
 - (b) under regulation 4C.
- (6) An immigration levy is in addition to all other amounts payable by the applicant in respect of his or her application.
- (7) In subclause (4), **principal applicant** means a person who is—
 - (a) declared to be the principal applicant on the relevant application form; or
 - (b) defined as the principal applicant in the relevant immigration instructions.

Regulation 4B: inserted, on 7 December 2015, by regulation 6 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 3) 2015 (LI 2015/274).

4C Certain applicants exempt from paying immigration levy

An applicant is exempt from paying the immigration levy imposed under regulation 4B if the applicant is—

- (a) a person for whom the requirement to hold a visa permitting travel to New Zealand is waived under regulation 18; or
- (b) a person described in Schedule 5; or
- (c) a citizen of any country with which New Zealand maintains a reciprocal fee-waiver agreement in respect of the prescribed fee; or
- (d) *[Revoked]*
- (e) applying for a resident visa on the basis of his or her relationship with a refugee or protected person; or
- (f) applying for a visa under—
 - (i) the Special Category for Victims of People Trafficking immigration instructions; or
 - (ii) *[Revoked]*
 - (iii) the Skilled Migrant Category Job Search immigration instructions; or
- (g) a citizen of Samoa applying for a resident visa; or
- (h) a member of, or a person associated with, a scientific programme or expedition under the auspices of a Contracting Party to the Antarctic Treaty (within the meaning of the Antarctica Act 1960) or a person to whom section 5 of that Act applies; or

- (i) applying for a 2021 Resident Visa and, prior to submitting the application, had made or was included in,—
 - (i) a residence class visa application—Skilled Migrant Category that has not been determined; or
 - (ii) a residence class visa application—Residence from Work Category that has not been determined.

Regulation 4C: inserted, on 7 December 2015, by regulation 6 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 3) 2015 (LI 2015/274).

Regulation 4C(d): revoked, on 5 November 2018, by regulation 4 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2018 (LI 2018/180).

Regulation 4C(f)(ii): revoked, on 1 July 2019, by regulation 22 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2019 (LI 2019/132).

Regulation 4C(h): inserted, on 9 November 2020, by regulation 5 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment (COVID-19—Applications and Fees) Regulations (No 2) 2020 (LI 2020/277).

Regulation 4C(i): inserted, on 1 December 2021, by regulation 4 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment (COVID-19—Applications) Regulations (No 3) 2021 (SL 2021/377).

Part 1

Residence class visas

5 Application requirements

- (1) This regulation applies to all applications for a residence class visa except the following:
 - (a) certain residence class visa applications where the applicant already holds or has previously held a resident visa, in which case, depending on where the application is made, regulation 6 or 7 applies;
 - (b) an application for a resident visa made at an immigration control area or at a port by a citizen of Australia or a person who holds a current permanent residence visa (including a resident return visa) issued by the Government of Australia, in which case regulation 8 applies;
 - (c) an application for a residence class visa that is made online under regulation 23AA or 23A, in which case regulation 23AA or 23A applies (as the case may be).
- (2) An application must be—
 - (a) made on the approved form; and
 - (b) completed in English; and
 - (c) signed by the applicant (unless the applicant is less than 18 years old, in which case it must be signed by a parent or guardian of the applicant); and
 - (d) given to an immigration officer together with the following material:

- (i) the applicant's passport (or a certified copy) or certificate of identity (or a certified copy) or, if that is unavailable, his or her original full birth certificate (or a certified copy) or other identity document (or a certified copy); and
 - (ii) 2 passport-sized photographs of the applicant's head and shoulders; and
 - (iia) *[Revoked]*
 - (iii) the information and evidence required by the relevant immigration instructions to demonstrate that the applicant fits the category or categories of immigration instructions under which the application is being made; and
 - (iv) any other information, evidence, or submissions that the applicant considers shows that he or she is eligible to be granted a visa in terms of the immigration instructions; and
 - (v) if not supplied under subparagraph (i), the applicant's original full birth certificate (or a certified copy) or, if that is unobtainable, his or her original identity document (or a certified copy); and
 - (e) accompanied by—
 - (i) the prescribed fee; and
 - (ii) the immigration levy payable by the applicant (if any).
- (2AA) However, an application for a 2021 Resident Visa made by the following persons is not required to satisfy subclause (2)(e) until payment is requested by the immigration officer processing the application:
- (a) an applicant who has also made a residence class visa application—Skilled Migrant Category that has not been determined:
 - (b) an applicant who has also made a residence class visa application—Residence from Work Category that has not been determined:
 - (c) an applicant who has notified an expression of interest in applying for a residence class visa—Skilled Migrant Category that has not been determined.
- (2A) An application must also comply with regulation 20(2A), if applicable.
- (3) The immigration officer processing the application may require the applicant to do 1 or more of the following before determining the application:
- (a) be interviewed by an immigration officer:
 - (b) produce further information or evidence (including photographs) that the officer thinks necessary for him or her to determine the application:
 - (c) undergo a medical examination or another medical examination, as the case may be.

Regulation 5(1)(b): amended, on 1 July 2019, by regulation 23 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2019 (LI 2019/132).

Regulation 5(1)(c): replaced, on 7 December 2015, by regulation 7(1) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 3) 2015 (LI 2015/274).

Regulation 5(2)(a): amended, at 2 am on 29 November 2010, by regulation 7(1) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2010 (SR 2010/382).

Regulation 5(2)(d)(i): amended, on 8 May 2017, by regulation 5(1) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2017 (LI 2017/52).

Regulation 5(2)(d)(iia): revoked, on 7 December 2015, by regulation 7(2) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 3) 2015 (LI 2015/274).

Regulation 5(2)(d)(v): amended, on 7 December 2015, by regulation 7(3) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 3) 2015 (LI 2015/274).

Regulation 5(2)(e): inserted, on 7 December 2015, by regulation 7(4) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 3) 2015 (LI 2015/274).

Regulation 5(2AA): inserted, on 1 December 2021, by regulation 5 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment (COVID-19—Applications) Regulations (No 3) 2021 (SL 2021/377).

Regulation 5(2A): inserted, on 8 May 2017, by regulation 5(2) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2017 (LI 2017/52).

6 Application requirements for holder or former holder of resident visa

- (1) This regulation applies to the following applications (except applications that are made online under regulation 23AA or 23A):
 - (a) an application for a permanent resident visa by a person holding a resident visa:
 - (b) an application for a permanent resident visa by a person who previously held a resident visa:
 - (c) an application for a resident visa by a person who previously held a resident visa (unless the application is made at an immigration control area, in which case regulation 7 applies instead):
 - (d) an application by a person holding a resident visa to vary the travel conditions of the visa.
- (2) An application must be—
 - (a) made on the approved form; and
 - (b) completed in English; and
 - (c) signed by the applicant (unless the applicant is less than 18 years old, in which case it must be signed by a parent or guardian of the applicant); and
 - (d) given to an immigration officer together with the following material:
 - (i) evidence of the applicant's current or previous resident visa or visas; and
 - (ii) the applicant's passport (or a certified copy) or certificate of identity (or a certified copy) or, if that is unavailable, his or her

- original full birth certificate (or a certified copy) or other identity document (or a certified copy); and
- (iii) 2 passport-sized photographs of the applicant's head and shoulders; and
 - (iiia) the prescribed fee; and
 - (iv) the information and evidence required by the relevant immigration instructions to demonstrate that the applicant fits the category or categories of immigration instructions under which the application is being made; and
 - (v) any other information, evidence, or submissions that the applicant considers shows that he or she is eligible to be granted a visa in terms of the immigration instructions.
- (3) The immigration officer processing the application may require the applicant to do 1 or both of the following before determining the application:
- (a) be interviewed by an immigration officer:
 - (b) produce further information or evidence (including photographs) that the officer thinks necessary for him or her to determine the application.
- (4) *[Revoked]*
- Regulation 6(1): amended, on 7 December 2015, by regulation 8 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 3) 2015 (LI 2015/274).
- Regulation 6(2)(a): amended, at 2 am on 29 November 2010, by regulation 8(1) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2010 (SR 2010/382).
- Regulation 6(2)(d)(ii): amended, on 8 May 2017, by regulation 6 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2017 (LI 2017/52).
- Regulation 6(2)(d)(iiia): inserted, at 2 am on 29 November 2010, by regulation 8(2) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2010 (SR 2010/382).
- Regulation 6(4): revoked, at 2 am on 29 November 2010, by regulation 8(3) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2010 (SR 2010/382).

7 Applications at immigration control area for second or subsequent resident visa

- (1) This regulation applies to an application for a resident visa by a person who previously held a resident visa unless the application is made online under regulation 23AA or 23A.
- (2) The application may be made at an immigration control area.
- (3) An application must—
 - (a) be made on the approved form; and
 - (b) relate to only 1 person; and
 - (c) be completed in English; and
 - (d) be signed by the applicant; and

- (e) be given to an immigration officer together with the applicant's passport or certificate of identity.
- (4) Despite subclause (3)(d), if the applicant is less than 18 years old,—
 - (a) the application form must be signed by a parent or guardian of the applicant, if the applicant is accompanied by that person; or
 - (b) the application form is not required to be signed, if the applicant is not accompanied by a parent or guardian.
- (5) The immigration officer processing the application may require the applicant to do 1 or both of the following before determining the application:
 - (a) be interviewed by an immigration officer:
 - (b) produce further information or evidence (including photographs) that the officer thinks necessary for him or her to determine the application, including information or evidence demonstrating that the applicant is a person who previously held a resident visa.

Regulation 7(1): inserted, on 21 June 2023, by regulation 4 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2023 (SL 2023/77).

Regulation 7(2): replaced, on 21 June 2023, by regulation 4 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2023 (SL 2023/77).

Regulation 7(3)(a): amended, at 2 am on 29 November 2010, by regulation 9(2) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2010 (SR 2010/382).

Regulation 7(4): amended, at 2 am on 29 November 2010, by regulation 9(3) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2010 (SR 2010/382).

Regulation 7(5)(b): amended, at 2 am on 29 November 2010, by regulation 9(4) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2010 (SR 2010/382).

8 Applications at immigration control area or port by Australian citizens and permanent residents for resident visa

- (1AA) This regulation applies to an application for a resident visa by a citizen of Australia or a person who holds a current permanent residence visa (including a resident return visa) issued by the Government of Australia unless the application is made online under regulation 23AA or 23A.
- (1) The application may be made at an immigration control area or at a port.
 - (2) An application must—
 - (a) be made on the approved form; and
 - (b) relate to only 1 person; and
 - (c) be completed in English; and
 - (d) be signed by the applicant; and
 - (e) be given—
 - (i) to an immigration officer together with the applicant's passport or certificate of identity; or

- (ii) to an automated electronic system together with the applicant's passport.
- (3) Despite subclause (2)(d), if the applicant is less than 18 years old,—
 - (a) the application form must be signed by a parent or guardian of the applicant, if the applicant is accompanied by that person; or
 - (b) the application form is not required to be signed, if the applicant is not accompanied by a parent or guardian.
- (4) The immigration officer processing the application may require the applicant to do 1 or more of the following before determining the application:
 - (a) be interviewed by an immigration officer:
 - (b) produce further information or evidence (including photographs) that the officer thinks necessary for him or her to determine the application, including information or evidence demonstrating that the applicant is a person described in subclause (1):
 - (c) undergo a medical examination or another medical examination, as the case may be.

Regulation 8 heading: amended, on 1 July 2019, by regulation 24(1) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2019 (LI 2019/132).

Regulation 8(1AA): inserted, on 21 June 2023, by regulation 5 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2023 (SL 2023/77).

Regulation 8(1): replaced, on 21 June 2023, by regulation 5 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2023 (SL 2023/77).

Regulation 8(2)(a): amended, at 2 am on 29 November 2010, by regulation 10(1) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2010 (SR 2010/382).

Regulation 8(2)(e): substituted, at 2 am on 29 November 2010, by regulation 10(2) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2010 (SR 2010/382).

Regulation 8(3): amended, at 2 am on 29 November 2010, by regulation 10(3) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2010 (SR 2010/382).

9 Notification of expression of interest in applying for residence class visa

A person must notify his or her interest in obtaining an invitation to apply for a residence class visa by—

- (a) completing the approved form in English; and
- (b) giving the form and the prescribed fee (if any) to an immigration officer (either in hard copy form or in an electronic form acceptable to the officer).

Regulation 9(a): replaced, on 7 December 2015, by regulation 9(1) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 3) 2015 (LI 2015/274).

Regulation 9(b): amended, on 7 September 2023, by regulation 4 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 2) 2023 (SL 2023/191).

Regulation 9(b): amended, on 7 December 2015, by regulation 9(2) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 3) 2015 (LI 2015/274).

Regulation 9(b): amended, at 2 am on 29 November 2010, by regulation 11 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2010 (SR 2010/382).

Part 2

Temporary entry class visas

9A Suspension of ability to apply for certain visas

[Revoked]

Regulation 9A: revoked, at the close of 31 July 2022, by regulation 9A(4).

10 Application requirements other than at immigration control area

- (1) This regulation applies to all applications for a temporary entry class visa made anywhere other than at an immigration control area, except the following:
 - (a) applications for a temporary entry class visa made online under regulation 23AA or 23A;
 - (b) applications by or on behalf of diplomatic or consular officials made under regulation 13.
- (2) An application must—
 - (a) be made on the approved form; and
 - (b) relate to only 1 person (unless regulation 20 applies); and
 - (c) be completed in English; and
 - (d) be signed by the applicant (unless the applicant is less than 18 years old, in which case it must be signed by a parent or guardian of the applicant); and
 - (e) be given to an immigration officer together with the following material:
 - (i) the applicant's passport (or a certified copy) or certificate of identity (or a certified copy) or, if that is unavailable, his or her original full birth certificate (or a certified copy) or other identity document (or a certified copy); and
 - (ii) 2 passport-sized photographs of the applicant's head and shoulders; and
 - (iia) *[Revoked]*
 - (iii) the information and evidence required by the relevant immigration instructions to demonstrate that the applicant fits the category or categories of immigration instructions under which the application is being made; and
 - (iv) any other information, evidence, or submissions that the applicant considers shows that he or she is eligible to be granted a visa in terms of the relevant immigration instructions; and
 - (f) be accompanied by—

- (i) the prescribed fee; and
 - (ii) the immigration levy payable by the applicant (if any); and
 - (iii) the IVL payable by the applicant (if any).
- (2A) The requirements of subclause (2)(e)(ii), (iii), and (iv) and (f) do not apply to an applicant who arrives in New Zealand as a cruise ship passenger.
- (3) The immigration officer processing the application may require the applicant to do 1 or more of the following before determining the application:
 - (a) be interviewed by an immigration officer:
 - (b) produce further information or evidence (including photographs) that the officer thinks necessary for him or her to determine the application:
 - (c) undergo a medical examination or another medical examination, as the case may be:
 - (d) produce travel tickets to a country that the person has right of entry to or other evidence of onward travel arrangements that the officer thinks necessary for him or her to determine the application:
 - (e) produce evidence of the applicant's funds for maintenance while in New Zealand or evidence of the applicant's sponsorship that the officer thinks necessary for him or her to determine the application.

Regulation 10(1): replaced, on 7 December 2015, by regulation 10(1) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 3) 2015 (LI 2015/274).

Regulation 10(2)(a): amended, at 2 am on 29 November 2010, by regulation 12(1) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2010 (SR 2010/382).

Regulation 10(2)(e)(i): amended, on 8 May 2017, by regulation 7 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2017 (LI 2017/52).

Regulation 10(2)(e)(ia): revoked, on 7 December 2015, by regulation 10(2) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 3) 2015 (LI 2015/274).

Regulation 10(2)(e)(iv): amended, on 7 December 2015, by regulation 10(3) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 3) 2015 (LI 2015/274).

Regulation 10(2)(f): inserted, on 7 December 2015, by regulation 10(4) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 3) 2015 (LI 2015/274).

Regulation 10(2)(f)(iii): inserted, on 1 July 2019, by regulation 16 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2019 (LI 2019/132).

Regulation 10(2A): inserted, on 1 July 2019, by regulation 25 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2019 (LI 2019/132).

11 Application requirements at immigration control area

- (1AA) This regulation applies to an application for a temporary entry class visa made at an immigration control area unless the application is made online under regulation 23AA or 23A.
- (1) The application must—
- (a) be made on the approved form; and
 - (b) relate to only 1 person; and

- (c) be completed in English; and
 - (d) be signed by the applicant; and
 - (e) be given—
 - (i) to an immigration officer together with the applicant's passport or certificate of identity; or
 - (ii) to an automated electronic system together with the applicant's passport.
- (2) Despite subclause (1)(d), if the applicant is less than 18 years old,—
- (a) the application form must be signed by a parent or guardian of the applicant, if the applicant is accompanied by that person; or
 - (b) the application form is not required to be signed, if the applicant is not accompanied by a parent or guardian.
- (3) Despite subclause (1)(e), a member of a visiting force (including a member of the civilian component of a visiting force) who arrives on a commercial craft and whose presence in New Zealand is in the ordinary course of his or her duty or employment is only required to give an immigration officer the approved form.
- (4) The immigration officer processing an application may require the applicant to do 1 or more of the following before determining the application:
- (a) be interviewed by an immigration officer:
 - (b) produce further information or evidence (including photographs) that the officer thinks necessary for him or her to determine the application:
 - (c) undergo a medical examination or another medical examination, as the case may be:
 - (d) produce travel tickets to a country that the person has right of entry to or other evidence of onward travel arrangements that the officer thinks necessary for him or her to determine the application:
 - (e) produce evidence of the applicant's funds for maintenance while in New Zealand or evidence of the applicant's sponsorship that the officer thinks necessary for him or her to determine the application.

Regulation 11(1AA): inserted, on 21 June 2023, by regulation 6(1) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2023 (SL 2023/77).

Regulation 11(1): amended, on 21 June 2023, by regulation 6(2) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2023 (SL 2023/77).

Regulation 11(1)(a): amended, at 2 am on 29 November 2010, by regulation 13(1) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2010 (SR 2010/382).

Regulation 11(1)(e): substituted, at 2 am on 29 November 2010, by regulation 13(2) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2010 (SR 2010/382).

Regulation 11(2): amended, at 2 am on 29 November 2010, by regulation 13(3) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2010 (SR 2010/382).

Regulation 11(3): substituted, at 2 am on 29 November 2010, by regulation 13(4) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2010 (SR 2010/382).

12 Applications that must be made online

[Revoked]

Regulation 12: revoked, on 7 December 2015, by regulation 11 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 3) 2015 (LI 2015/274).

13 Applications for diplomatic and consular officials

- (1) This regulation applies to applications for temporary entry class visas for people who are, for the time being, accorded privileges and immunities under—
 - (a) the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations in accordance with the Diplomatic Privileges and Immunities Act 1968; or
 - (b) the Vienna Convention on Consular Relations in accordance with the Consular Privileges and Immunities Act 1971.
- (2) An application must be made by the sending State on the person's behalf—
 - (a) to an immigration officer at an office of the Department; or
 - (b) to the Protocol Division of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade.
- (3) The application must include the following information about the person (supplied in any appropriate way):
 - (a) his or her full name; and
 - (b) his or her gender; and
 - (c) his or her date and place of birth; and
 - (d) his or her country or countries of citizenship; and
 - (e) his or her passport type, its number, and its expiry date; and
 - (f) his or her diplomatic designation; and
 - (g) the approximate duration of his or her assignment in New Zealand; and
 - (h) if applicable, the proposed date of his or her arrival in New Zealand; and
 - (i) if applicable, the details of his or her officially recognised accompanying family who will form part of his or her household in New Zealand.
- (4) The application must also include the following information (supplied in any appropriate way):
 - (a) the physical address of the diplomatic mission or consular post; and
 - (b) if applicable, the name of the person being replaced.

Regulation 13(2): replaced, on 18 April 2014, by regulation 9 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2014 (LI 2014/79).

14 Applications for reconsideration of decision to decline further temporary visa

(1AAA) Subclause (1) applies to a reconsideration application, unless the reconsideration application is made online under subclauses (2) to (4).

(1AAB) Subclauses (5) and (6) apply to any reconsideration application made under this regulation.

- (1) A reconsideration application must be—
 - (a) completed in English; and
 - (b) signed by the applicant (unless the applicant is less than 18 years old, in which case it must be signed by a parent or guardian of the applicant); and
 - (c) given to an immigration officer at an office of the Department together with the following material:
 - (i) the applicant's passport or certificate of identity; and
 - (ii) a full explanation of the matters that the applicant wishes to be taken into consideration by the immigration officer (or the Minister, as the case may be) responsible for determining the reconsideration application; and
 - (iii) the prescribed fee.
- (2) A reconsideration application may be made online if an electronic form has been provided for the purpose on an Internet site maintained by or on behalf of the Department.
- (3) A reconsideration application made online must be made—
 - (a) on an Internet site maintained by or on behalf of the Department; and
 - (b) using the electronic form provided on the site for the purpose.
- (4) Without limiting subclause (3)(b), the electronic form must require the applicant to—
 - (a) complete the form in English; and
 - (b) provide a full explanation of the matters that the applicant wishes to be taken into consideration by the immigration officer or the Minister responsible for determining the reconsideration application; and
 - (c) pay the prescribed fee.
- (5) The immigration officer or Minister responsible for determining a reconsideration application may require the applicant to produce further information or evidence (including photographs) that the immigration officer or Minister thinks necessary to determine the application.
- (6) If an applicant is required to produce information or evidence under subclause (5), that information or evidence must be produced in the manner (if any) specified by the immigration officer or Minister.

- (7) In this regulation, **reconsideration application** means an application for reconsideration of a decision to decline a further temporary visa.

Regulation 14(1AAA): inserted, on 15 July 2021, by regulation 5(1) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2021 (LI 2021/155).

Regulation 14(1AAB): inserted, on 15 July 2021, by regulation 5(1) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2021 (LI 2021/155).

Regulation 14(1): amended, on 15 July 2021, by regulation 5(2) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2021 (LI 2021/155).

Regulation 14(1)(c)(ii): amended, on 15 July 2021, by regulation 5(3) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2021 (LI 2021/155).

Regulation 14(1)(c)(ii): amended, at 2 am on 29 November 2010, by regulation 15 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2010 (SR 2010/382).

Regulation 14(1)(c)(iii): added, at 2 am on 29 November 2010, by regulation 15 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2010 (SR 2010/382).

Regulation 14(1)(c)(iii): amended, on 15 July 2021, by regulation 5(4) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2021 (LI 2021/155).

Regulation 14(2): replaced, on 15 July 2021, by regulation 5(5) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2021 (LI 2021/155).

Regulation 14(3): inserted, on 15 July 2021, by regulation 5(5) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2021 (LI 2021/155).

Regulation 14(4): inserted, on 15 July 2021, by regulation 5(5) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2021 (LI 2021/155).

Regulation 14(5): inserted, on 15 July 2021, by regulation 5(5) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2021 (LI 2021/155).

Regulation 14(6): inserted, on 15 July 2021, by regulation 5(5) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2021 (LI 2021/155).

Regulation 14(7): inserted, on 15 July 2021, by regulation 5(5) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2021 (LI 2021/155).

14A Notification of expression of interest in applying for temporary entry class visa

A person must notify the person's interest in obtaining an invitation to apply for a temporary entry class visa by—

- (a) completing the approved form in English; and
- (b) giving the form and the prescribed fee to an immigration officer (either in hard copy form or in an electronic form acceptable to the officer).

Regulation 14A: inserted, on 10 August 2020, by regulation 6 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment (COVID-19—Applications and Fees) Regulations 2020 (LI 2020/173).

Part 3

Transit visas and transit periods

Part 3 heading: amended, on 6 November 2015, by regulation 4 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 2) 2015 (LI 2015/230).

15 Application requirements

(1AA) This regulation applies to an application for a transit visa unless the application is made online under regulation 23AA or 23A.

- (1) An application must be—
 - (a) made on the approved form; and
 - (b) completed in English; and
 - (c) signed by the applicant (unless the applicant is less than 18 years old, in which case it must be signed by a parent or guardian of the applicant); and
 - (d) given to an immigration officer together with the following material:
 - (i) the applicant's passport or certificate of identity; and
 - (ii) 2 passport-sized photographs of the applicant's head and shoulders; and
 - (iia) the prescribed fee; and
 - (iii) the travel tickets to a country that the person has right of entry to or other evidence of onward travel arrangements that the officer thinks necessary for him or her to determine the application; and
 - (iv) a confirmed travel itinerary that includes arrival and departure times from New Zealand; and
 - (v) a statement of the purpose of the journey to the country of destination; and
 - (vi) any other information or evidence (including photographs) that the applicant considers demonstrates that he or she is a bona fide transit passenger.
- (2) The immigration officer processing the application may require the applicant to do either or both of the following before determining the application:
 - (a) be interviewed by an immigration officer:
 - (b) produce further information or evidence (including photographs) that the officer thinks necessary for him or her to determine the application.

Regulation 15(1AA): inserted, on 18 April 2014, by regulation 10(1) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2014 (LI 2014/79).

Regulation 15(1AA): amended, on 7 December 2015, by regulation 12 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 3) 2015 (LI 2015/274).

Regulation 15(1): amended, on 18 April 2014, by regulation 10(2) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2014 (LI 2014/79).

Regulation 15(1)(a): amended, at 2 am on 29 November 2010, by regulation 16(1) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2010 (SR 2010/382).

Regulation 15(1)(d)(iia): inserted, at 2 am on 29 November 2010, by regulation 16(2) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2010 (SR 2010/382).

16 People to whom waiver of requirement for transit visa applies

The requirement to hold a transit visa before travelling to and being in New Zealand as a transit passenger is waived for a person described in Schedule 1 if—

- (a) they meet the condition of holding a valid ETA in accordance with Part 4A; or
- (b) that condition does not apply.

Regulation 16: replaced, on 1 October 2019, by regulation 6 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2019 (LI 2019/132).

17 Transit period

A person who holds a transit visa or to whom a transit visa waiver applies may be in New Zealand for a transit period not exceeding 24 hours.

Regulation 17: replaced, on 6 November 2015, by regulation 5 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 2) 2015 (LI 2015/230).

Part 4

Other matters relating to visas and visa applications

18 People to whom waiver of requirement for visa permitting travel to New Zealand applies

- (1) The requirement to hold a visa permitting travel to New Zealand is waived for a person described in Schedule 2 if—
 - (a) they meet the condition of holding a valid ETA in accordance with Part 4A; or
 - (b) that condition does not apply.
- (1A) *[Revoked]*
- (2) To avoid doubt, in order to enter and stay in New Zealand a person to whom this regulation applies must, on arrival, still apply for—
 - (a) a visa (under regulation 7, 8, or 11, as the case may be); and
 - (b) entry permission (under regulation 24).
- (3) Subclause (2) applies unless the person is also a person who—
 - (a) is deemed to hold a temporary entry class visa under regulation 19; and
 - (b) is exempt from the requirement to apply, and is deemed to have been granted, entry permission under regulation 25.

Regulation 18(1): replaced, on 1 October 2019, by regulation 7 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2019 (LI 2019/132).

Regulation 18(1A): revoked, on 6 April 2015, by regulation 12(1) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 3) 2014 (LI 2014/283).

19 People deemed to be granted temporary entry class visa

- (1) The people described in the first column of Schedule 3 are deemed—
 - (a) to have been granted a visa of the type specified in the second column of Schedule 3; and
 - (b) to hold the visa for the period of time specified in the third column of Schedule 3.

(2) *[Revoked]*

Regulation 19(1): amended, at 2 am on 29 November 2010, by regulation 18(1) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2010 (SR 2010/382).

Regulation 19(2): revoked, at 2 am on 29 November 2010, by regulation 18(2) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2010 (SR 2010/382).

20 Applications involving family members

- (1) An application for a visa may relate to the applicant and—
 - (a) any dependent children of the applicant;
 - (b) the applicant's spouse or partner.
- (2) Subclause (1)(a) applies only if—
 - (a) each dependent child included in the application is less than 25 years old and the applicant is applying other than at an immigration control area for—
 - (i) a residence class visa; or
 - (ii) a variation of travel conditions on a resident visa; or
 - (b) each dependent child included in the application is less than 20 years old and the applicant is applying for—
 - (i) a temporary entry class visa, other than at an immigration control area, that is a temporary visa or a limited visa; or
 - (ii) a transit visa.
- (2A) However,—
 - (a) if any dependent child of the applicant holds or has applied for a temporary entry class visa based on the child's relationship to the applicant,—
 - (i) an application for a residence class visa to which subclause (1)(a) applies must include that dependent child; and
 - (ii) the name of any dependent child may not be removed from that application (whether by a variation of the application or the making of a new application) while the application is being processed,

- unless there is a change of circumstances that results in the child ceasing to be a dependent child; and
- (b) if the spouse or partner of an applicant holds or has applied for a temporary entry class visa based on the spouse or partner's relationship to the applicant,—
 - (i) an application for a residence class visa to which subclause (1)(b) applies must include the applicant's spouse or partner; and
 - (ii) the name of the spouse or partner may not be removed from that application (whether by a variation of the application or the making of a new application) while the application is being processed, unless there is a change of circumstances that results in the applicant's spouse or partner ceasing to be his or her spouse or partner.
 - (3) Subclause (1)(b) applies only if the applicant is applying for—
 - (a) a residence class visa or variation of travel conditions on a resident visa other than at an immigration control area; or
 - (b) a temporary entry class visa, other than at an immigration control area, that is a temporary visa or a limited visa; or
 - (c) a transit visa.
 - (4) A notification of an interest in obtaining an invitation to apply for a visa may relate to—
 - (a) the person expressing an interest in obtaining the invitation (the **applicant**); and
 - (b) the applicant's spouse or partner; and
 - (c) any of the applicant's dependent children who are less than—
 - (i) 25 years old (if the visa is a residence class visa); or
 - (ii) 20 years old (if the visa is a temporary entry class visa).
 - (5) For the purposes of the application and any relevant immigration instructions,—
 - (a) each person included in the application is an applicant; and
 - (b) the applicant who is declared to be the principal applicant on the application form is deemed to be the principal applicant; and
 - (c) the requirements in relation to the application (including any that an immigration officer may require an applicant to meet before determining an application) must be met in relation to the principal applicant and each applicant, except that—
 - (i) any applicant less than 18 years old is not required to sign the application; and

- (ii) if the application is not an application for a group visitor visa or a group transit visa, only 1 fee is required for the application; and
 - (d) evidence of the relationship of each applicant to the principal applicant must be given with the application.
- (5A) A reference in subclause (5) to an application includes a reference to a notification.
- (6) To avoid doubt, except as provided in this regulation, a child (regardless of age or dependency), spouse, or partner of an applicant for a visa must make a separate application for the appropriate visa and pay the prescribed fee.

Regulation 20(2A): inserted, on 8 May 2017, by regulation 8 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2017 (LI 2017/52).

Regulation 20(4): replaced, on 10 August 2020, by regulation 7(1) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment (COVID-19—Applications and Fees) Regulations 2020 (LI 2020/173).

Regulation 20(5): amended, on 10 August 2020, by regulation 7(2) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment (COVID-19—Applications and Fees) Regulations 2020 (LI 2020/173).

Regulation 20(5)(c): substituted, at 2 am on 29 November 2010, by regulation 19(1) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2010 (SR 2010/382).

Regulation 20(5)(c)(ii): replaced, on 7 December 2015, by regulation 13 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 3) 2015 (LI 2015/274).

Regulation 20(5A): inserted, on 10 August 2020, by regulation 7(3) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment (COVID-19—Applications and Fees) Regulations 2020 (LI 2020/173).

Regulation 20(6): amended, at 2 am on 29 November 2010, by regulation 19(2) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2010 (SR 2010/382).

21 Applications made without using approved form

- (1) This regulation applies to an application for a visa if—
 - (a) a person requests an immigration officer to consider his or her application for a visa without using the approved form to do so, and the immigration officer agrees to the request; or
 - (b) a person on behalf of any other person (**agent**) requests an immigration officer to consider the person's application for a visa without using the approved form to do so, and the immigration officer agrees to the request (in which case the references in this regulation to the applicant must be read, where appropriate, as references to the applicant's agent).
- (2) The application may be made by the applicant supplying the following information in English and in any way appropriate to the circumstances:
 - (a) his or her full name; and
 - (b) his or her date and place of birth; and
 - (c) details of his or her passport or certificate of identity, including country of citizenship; and

- (d) the type of visa he or she is applying for; and
 - (e) details of any current or previous visa (or permit, as the case may be) held by him or her; and
 - (f) any other information that he or she considers shows that the visa application should be granted; and
 - (g) the information and evidence that the immigration officer thinks necessary for him or her to determine the application.
- (3) The application must be completed by the applicant—
 - (a) acknowledging that the details supplied in support of the application are true and correct to the best of his or her knowledge; and
 - (b) agreeing that, if his or her circumstances change before any visa is granted, he or she will notify an immigration officer of the change in circumstances; and
 - (ba) paying the prescribed fee or arranging for its payment in a manner acceptable to the immigration officer processing the application (unless the application is made at an immigration control area, in which case no fee is payable); and
 - (bb) paying the immigration levy that is payable by the applicant (if any), or arranging for its payment in a manner acceptable to the immigration officer processing the application (unless the application is made at an immigration control area, in which case no immigration levy is payable); and
 - (bc) paying the IVL that is payable by the applicant (if any), or arranging for its payment in a manner acceptable to the immigration officer processing the application; and
 - (c) signing the application (except if the application is made in an electronic format).
- (4) If the applicant is less than 18 years old, subclause (3)(c) does not apply. Instead, the application must be signed by his or her parent or guardian, except if the application is made in an electronic format or at an immigration control area (in which case the form must be signed by the parent or guardian only if the applicant is accompanied by that person).
- (5) The immigration officer processing the application may require the applicant to do 1 or more of the following before determining the application:
 - (a) be interviewed by an immigration officer:
 - (b) undergo a medical examination or another medical examination, as the case may be:
 - (c) produce his or her passport or other certificate of identity:
 - (d) produce further information or evidence (including photographs) that the officer thinks necessary for him or her to determine the application:

- (e) if applicable, produce travel tickets to a country that the person has right of entry to or other evidence of onward travel arrangements that the officer thinks necessary for him or her to determine the application;
 - (f) if applicable, produce evidence of the applicant's funds for maintenance while in New Zealand or evidence of the applicant's sponsorship that the officer thinks necessary for him or her to determine the application.
- (6) An application may relate to—
 - (a) only 1 person; or
 - (b) 1 person and his or her dependent children, spouse or partner, or both, but only if the application is made other than at an immigration control area and either—
 - (i) the application is for a residence class visa or a variation of travel conditions on a resident visa and any dependent children included in the application are less than 25 years old; or
 - (ii) the application is for a temporary entry class visa that is a temporary visa or a limited visa or for a transit visa, and any dependent children included in the application are less than 20 years old.
- (7) For the purposes of an application to which subclause (6) and any relevant immigration instructions apply,—
 - (a) each person included in the application is an applicant; and
 - (b) the applicant who is declared to be the principal applicant on the application form is deemed to be the principal applicant; and
 - (c) the requirements in relation to the application (including any that an immigration officer may require an applicant to meet before determining an application) must be met in relation to the principal applicant and each applicant, except that—
 - (i) any applicant less than 18 years old is not required to sign the application; and
 - (ii) if the application is not an application for a group visitor visa or a group transit visa, only 1 fee is required for the application; and
 - (d) evidence of the relationship of each applicant to the principal applicant must be given with the application.
- (8) Without limiting the way in which an applicant or an immigration officer may communicate or supply information for the purposes of this regulation, an applicant or officer may communicate or supply information in person, in writing, by telephone, or by fax or other electronic means.
- (9) This regulation is subject to regulation 22.

Regulation 21(1)(a): amended, at 2 am on 29 November 2010, by regulation 20(1) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2010 (SR 2010/382).

Regulation 21(1)(b): amended, at 2 am on 29 November 2010, by regulation 20(1) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2010 (SR 2010/382).

Regulation 21(3)(ba): inserted, at 2 am on 29 November 2010, by regulation 20(2) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2010 (SR 2010/382).

Regulation 21(3)(bb): inserted, on 7 December 2015, by regulation 14(1) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 3) 2015 (LI 2015/274).

Regulation 21(3)(bc): inserted, on 1 July 2019, by regulation 17 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2019 (LI 2019/132).

Regulation 21(7)(c): substituted, at 2 am on 29 November 2010, by regulation 20(3) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2010 (SR 2010/382).

Regulation 21(7)(c)(ii): replaced, on 7 December 2015, by regulation 14(2) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 3) 2015 (LI 2015/274).

22 Immigration officer may refuse to consider or continue considering application made under regulation 21

- (1) Despite regulation 21(1) being satisfied in relation to an application for a visa, an immigration officer may, at any time before a visa is granted as a result of the application, refuse to consider the application, or continue to consider the application, and inform the applicant that if he or she wishes to pursue the application, he or she must do so using the approved form.
- (2) If subclause (1) applies,—
 - (a) the application made under regulation 21 must be treated as not having been made; and
 - (b) the applicant must apply for the visa in the normal way in accordance with the other provisions of these regulations and using the approved form; and
 - (c) any prescribed fee paid in relation to the application under regulation 21 must be refunded or applied towards any application made in accordance with paragraph (b); and
 - (d) any immigration levy paid by the applicant in relation to the application under regulation 21 must be refunded or applied towards any application made in accordance with paragraph (b); and
 - (e) any IVL paid by the applicant in relation to the application under regulation 21 must be refunded or applied towards any application made in accordance with paragraph (b).

Regulation 22(1): amended, at 2 am on 29 November 2010, by regulation 21(1) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2010 (SR 2010/382).

Regulation 22(2)(b): amended, at 2 am on 29 November 2010, by regulation 21(2) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2010 (SR 2010/382).

Regulation 22(2)(b): amended, at 2 am on 29 November 2010, by regulation 21(3) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2010 (SR 2010/382).

Regulation 22(2)(c): added, at 2 am on 29 November 2010, by regulation 21(3) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2010 (SR 2010/382).

Regulation 22(2)(c): amended, on 7 December 2015, by regulation 15(1) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 3) 2015 (LI 2015/274).

Regulation 22(2)(d): inserted, on 7 December 2015, by regulation 15(2) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 3) 2015 (LI 2015/274).

Regulation 22(2)(e): inserted, on 1 July 2019, by regulation 18 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2019 (LI 2019/132).

23 Applications for visas not otherwise provided for in these regulations

- (1) This regulation applies if—
 - (a) a person wishes to apply for a visa; and
 - (b) the requirements to apply for the particular visa or circumstances in which the application for the particular visa is to be made are not provided for elsewhere in these regulations.
- (2) The Minister may, by special direction, require that the application be made in accordance with whichever of these regulations as appears to the Minister to be most appropriate, and those regulations apply accordingly, with any necessary modifications.

23AA Chief executive may require certain visa applications to be made online

- (1) The chief executive may require certain visa applications to be made online.
- (2) If the chief executive requires certain visa applications to be made online, a list of those applications must be made publicly available on an Internet site maintained by or on behalf of the Department.
- (3) This regulation applies in respect of an application that the chief executive requires to be made online.
- (4) The application must be made—
 - (a) by means of one of the following that is made available and maintained by or on behalf of the Department for that purpose:
 - (i) an Internet site; or
 - (ii) a software application that is designed to be used on a mobile device; and
 - (b) using an electronic form provided on the Internet site or the software application for the purpose.
- (5) Without limiting subclause (4)(b), the electronic form must require the applicant to—
 - (a) complete the form in English (except as provided in subclause (5D)(b)); and
 - (b) state the applicant's full name; and
 - (c) state the applicant's date and place of birth; and
 - (d) state the details of the applicant's passport or certificate of identity; and

- (e) if applicable, upload a photograph of the applicant's head and shoulders that complies with the standards specified for the purpose by the Department; and
 - (f) produce the information and evidence required by immigration instructions to demonstrate that the applicant fits the category under which the applicant is applying; and
 - (g) acknowledge that the details supplied in support of the application are true and correct to the best of the applicant's knowledge; and
 - (h) agree (except as provided in subclause (5D)(c)) that, if the applicant's circumstances change before any visa is granted, or before the application is determined, the applicant will notify an immigration officer of the change; and
 - (i) pay the prescribed fee (if any) or arrange for its payment in a manner acceptable to an immigration officer; and
 - (j) pay the immigration levy that is payable by the applicant (if any), or arrange for its payment in a manner acceptable to an immigration officer; and
 - (k) pay the IVL that is payable by the applicant (if any), or arrange for its payment in a manner acceptable to an immigration officer.
- (5A) However, an application for a 2021 Resident Visa made by the following persons is not required to satisfy subclause (5)(i) until payment is requested by the immigration officer processing the application:
- (a) an applicant who has also made a residence class visa application—Skilled Migrant Category that has not been determined:
 - (b) an applicant who has also made a residence class visa application—Residence from Work Category that has not been determined:
 - (c) an applicant who has notified an expression of interest in applying for a residence class visa—Skilled Migrant Category that has not been determined.
- (5B) An application must also comply with regulation 20(2A), if applicable.
- (5C) If an application to which a regulation specified in the first column of the following table would otherwise apply is required to be made online, the applicant must comply with the requirement specified in the second column opposite that regulation in order to complete the making of the application:

Regulation	Requirement
7	Give the applicant's passport or certificate of identity to an immigration officer.
8, 11	Either— <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) give the applicant's passport or certificate of identity to an immigration officer; or

- (b) give the applicant's passport to an automated electronic system.
- (5D) For an application to which regulation 7, 8, or 11 would apply if the application were not made online,—
 - (a) the application must relate to only 1 person; and
 - (b) the application may be completed in English or any other language enabled by the electronic form referred to in subclause (4)(b); and
 - (c) subclause (5)(h) does not apply.
- (6) An immigration officer or automated electronic system processing the application may, in order for the application to be determined, require the applicant to—
 - (a) be interviewed by an immigration officer:
 - (b) produce the applicant's passport or other certificate of identity:
 - (c) produce further information or evidence, including—
 - (i) photographs:
 - (ii) travel tickets to a country that the applicant has right of entry to, or other evidence of the applicant's onward travel arrangements:
 - (iii) evidence of the applicant's funds for maintenance while in New Zealand, or evidence of sponsorship of the applicant.
- (7) If an applicant is required to produce information or evidence under subclause (6)(b) or (c), that information or evidence must be produced in the manner (if any) specified by the immigration officer or automated electronic system.

Regulation 23AA: inserted, on 7 December 2015, by regulation 16 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 3) 2015 (LI 2015/274).

Regulation 23AA(3): replaced, on 21 June 2023, by regulation 7(1) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2023 (SL 2023/77).

Regulation 23AA(4): replaced, on 21 June 2023, by regulation 7(2) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2023 (SL 2023/77).

Regulation 23AA(5): replaced, on 15 July 2021, by regulation 6 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2021 (LI 2021/155).

Regulation 23AA(5)(a): amended, on 21 June 2023, by regulation 7(3) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2023 (SL 2023/77).

Regulation 23AA(5)(h): amended, on 21 June 2023, by regulation 7(4) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2023 (SL 2023/77).

Regulation 23AA(5)(i): amended, on 21 June 2023, by regulation 7(5) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2023 (SL 2023/77).

Regulation 23AA(5A): inserted, on 1 December 2021, by regulation 7 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment (COVID-19—Applications) Regulations (No 3) 2021 (SL 2021/377).

Regulation 23AA(5B): inserted, on 1 December 2021, by regulation 7 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment (COVID-19—Applications) Regulations (No 3) 2021 (SL 2021/377).

Regulation 23AA(5C): inserted, on 21 June 2023, by regulation 7(6) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2023 (SL 2023/77).

Regulation 23AA(5D): inserted, on 21 June 2023, by regulation 7(6) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2023 (SL 2023/77).

Regulation 23AA(6): replaced, on 15 July 2021, by regulation 6 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2021 (LI 2021/155).

Regulation 23AA(7): inserted, on 15 July 2021, by regulation 6 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2021 (LI 2021/155).

23A Applications that may be made online

- (1) The following applications may be made online if electronic forms have been provided for the purpose on an Internet site or a software application referred to in subclause (3):
 - (a) an application for a residence class visa to which regulation 5 would otherwise apply:
 - (b) an application by a holder, or former holder, of a resident visa to which regulation 6 would otherwise apply:
 - (c) an application at an immigration control area for a second or subsequent resident visa to which regulation 7 would otherwise apply:
 - (d) an application at an immigration control area or a port by an Australian citizen or permanent resident for a resident visa to which regulation 8 would otherwise apply:
 - (e) an application for a temporary entry class visa to which regulation 10 would otherwise apply:
 - (f) an application for a temporary entry class visa made at an immigration control area to which regulation 11 would otherwise apply:
 - (g) an application for a transit visa to which regulation 15 would otherwise apply:
 - (h) an application for confirmation of a person's immigration status to which regulation 32 would otherwise apply:
 - (i) an application for endorsement of New Zealand citizenship in a foreign passport to which regulation 33 would otherwise apply.
- (2) This regulation applies to an application made online in accordance with subclause (1).
- (3) The application must be made—
 - (a) by means of one of the following that is made available and maintained by or on behalf of the Department for that purpose:
 - (i) an Internet site; or
 - (ii) a software application that is designed to be used on a mobile device; and

- (b) using an electronic form provided on the Internet site or the software application for the purpose.
- (4) Without limiting subclause (3)(b), the electronic form must require the applicant to—
 - (a) complete the form in English (except as provided in subclause (4A)(b)); and
 - (b) state the applicant's full name; and
 - (c) state the applicant's date and place of birth; and
 - (d) state the details of the applicant's passport or certificate of identity; and
 - (e) if applicable, upload a photograph of the applicant's head and shoulders that complies with the standards specified for the purpose by the Department (unless the form relates to an application referred to in subclause (1)(e) or (f)); and
 - (f) produce the information and evidence required by immigration instructions to demonstrate that the applicant fits the category under which the applicant is applying; and
 - (g) acknowledge that the details supplied in support of the application are true and correct to the best of the applicant's knowledge; and
 - (h) agree (except as provided in subclause (4AA)(c)) that, if the applicant's circumstances change before any visa is granted, or before the application is determined, the applicant will notify an immigration officer of the change; and
 - (i) pay the prescribed fee (if any) or arrange for its payment in a manner acceptable to an immigration officer; and
 - (j) pay the immigration levy that is payable by the applicant (if any), or arrange for its payment in a manner acceptable to an immigration officer; and
 - (k) pay the IVL that is payable by the applicant (if any), or arrange for its payment in a manner acceptable to an immigration officer.
- (4AA) For an application to which regulation 7, 8, or 11 would apply if the application were not made online,—
 - (a) the application must relate to only 1 person; and
 - (b) the application may be completed in English or any other language enabled by the electronic form referred to in subclause (3)(b); and
 - (c) subclause (4)(h) does not apply.
- (4A) However, an application for a 2021 Resident Visa made by the following persons is not required to satisfy subclause (4)(i) until payment is requested by the immigration officer processing the application:

- (a) an applicant who has also made a residence class visa application—Skilled Migrant Category that has not been determined:
 - (b) an applicant who has also made a residence class visa application—Residence from Work Category that has not been determined:
 - (c) an applicant who has notified an expression of interest in applying for a residence class visa—Skilled Migrant Category that has not been determined.
- (4B) An application must also comply with regulation 20(2A), if applicable.
- (4C) A person making an application that, if not made online, would be made under a regulation specified in the first column of the following table must comply with the requirement specified in the second column opposite that regulation in order to complete the making of the application:
- | Regulation | Requirement |
|------------|---|
| 7 | Give the applicant's passport or certificate of identity to an immigration officer. |
| 8, 11 | Either— <ul style="list-style-type: none">(a) give the applicant's passport or certificate of identity to an immigration officer; or(b) give the applicant's passport to an automated electronic system. |
- (5) An immigration officer or automated electronic system processing the application may, in order for the application to be determined, require the applicant to—
- (a) be interviewed by an immigration officer:
 - (b) produce the applicant's passport or other certificate of identity:
 - (c) produce further information or evidence, including—
 - (i) photographs:
 - (ii) travel tickets to a country that the applicant has right of entry to, or other evidence of the applicant's onward travel arrangements:
 - (iii) evidence of the applicant's funds for maintenance while in New Zealand, or evidence of sponsorship of the applicant.
- (6) If an applicant is required to produce information or evidence under subclause (5)(b) or (c), that information or evidence must be produced in the manner (if any) specified by the immigration officer or automated electronic system.

Regulation 23A: inserted, on 18 April 2014, by regulation 11 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2014 (LI 2014/79).

Regulation 23A(1): replaced, on 21 June 2023, by regulation 8(1) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2023 (SL 2023/77).

Regulation 23A(2): replaced, on 21 June 2023, by regulation 8(1) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2023 (SL 2023/77).

Regulation 23A(3): replaced, on 21 June 2023, by regulation 8(1) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2023 (SL 2023/77).

Regulation 23A(4): replaced, on 15 July 2021, by regulation 7 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2021 (LI 2021/155).

Regulation 23A(4)(a): amended, on 21 June 2023, by regulation 8(2) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2023 (SL 2023/77).

Regulation 23A(4)(h): amended, on 21 June 2023, by regulation 8(3) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2023 (SL 2023/77).

Regulation 23A(4)(i): amended, on 21 June 2023, by regulation 8(4) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2023 (SL 2023/77).

Regulation 23A(4AA): inserted, on 21 June 2023, by regulation 8(5) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2023 (SL 2023/77).

Regulation 23A(4A): inserted, on 1 December 2021, by regulation 8 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment (COVID-19—Applications) Regulations (No 3) 2021 (SL 2021/377).

Regulation 23A(4B): inserted, on 1 December 2021, by regulation 8 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment (COVID-19—Applications) Regulations (No 3) 2021 (SL 2021/377).

Regulation 23A(4C): inserted, on 21 June 2023, by regulation 8(6) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2023 (SL 2023/77).

Regulation 23A(5): replaced, on 15 July 2021, by regulation 7 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2021 (LI 2021/155).

Regulation 23A(6): inserted, on 15 July 2021, by regulation 7 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2021 (LI 2021/155).

Part 4A

Electronic travel authorities (ETAs)

Part 4A: inserted, on 1 October 2019, by regulation 5 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2019 (LI 2019/132).

Requirements to hold ETA

Heading: inserted, on 1 October 2019, by regulation 5 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2019 (LI 2019/132).

23B Requirement for visa waiver transit passengers to hold transit ETA or traveller ETA

It is a condition of a transit visa waiver under regulation 16 that the person hold a transit ETA or traveller ETA before travelling to New Zealand.

Regulation 23B: inserted, on 1 October 2019, by regulation 5 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2019 (LI 2019/132).

23C Requirement for certain visa waiver crew to hold crew ETA

It is a condition of a visa waiver under regulation 18 that the following persons hold a crew ETA before travelling to New Zealand:

- (a) cruise ship crew travelling in the ordinary course of business of the ship:

- (b) aircraft crew of an aircraft on a flight between any other country or territory and New Zealand in the course of a scheduled international service:
- (c) positioning crew:
- (d) cargo ship crew travelling in the ordinary course of business of the ship between any foreign port and New Zealand:
- (e) crew on a foreign ship authorised by the Minister of Transport under section 198(2) of the Maritime Transport Act 1994 to carry coastal cargo (within the meaning of section 198(6) of that Act).

Regulation 23C: inserted, on 1 October 2019, by regulation 5 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2019 (LI 2019/132).

Regulation 23C(d): inserted, on 1 April 2025, by regulation 5 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 4) 2024 (SL 2024/196).

Regulation 23C(e): inserted, on 1 April 2025, by regulation 5 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 4) 2024 (SL 2024/196).

23D Requirement for other visa waiver travellers to hold traveller ETA

Unless regulation 23C applies, it is a condition of a visa waiver under regulation 18 that the person hold a traveller ETA before travelling to New Zealand.

Regulation 23D: inserted, on 1 October 2019, by regulation 5 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2019 (LI 2019/132).

23E Exceptions to requirement to hold ETA

Regulations 23B to 23D do not apply to—

- (a) a citizen of Australia; or
- (b) a person described in item 6 or 7 of Schedule 1; or
- (c) a person described in item 3 or 4 of Schedule 2.

Regulation 23E: inserted, on 1 October 2019, by regulation 5 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2019 (LI 2019/132).

23F Same ETA valid for more than 1 trip

A person may travel to New Zealand more than once under the same valid ETA.

Regulation 23F: inserted, on 1 October 2019, by regulation 5 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2019 (LI 2019/132).

23G More than 1 ETA may be held at a time

To avoid doubt, a person may hold 2 or more ETAs of the same type, or 2 or more ETAs of different types, that are valid for different or overlapping periods.

Regulation 23G: inserted, on 1 October 2019, by regulation 5 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2019 (LI 2019/132).

ETA requests

Heading: inserted, on 1 October 2019, by regulation 5 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2019 (LI 2019/132).

23H ETA request must be made electronically

- (1) A request for an ETA must be made—
 - (a) by means of one of the following that is made available and maintained by or on behalf of the Department for that purpose:
 - (i) an Internet site; or
 - (ii) a software application that is designed to be used on a mobile device; and
 - (b) using an electronic form provided on the Internet site or the software application that allows a person to submit the information required under regulation 23I.
- (2) However, if a request for a crew ETA is made on behalf of a person by a carrier or a carrier's representative, the request—
 - (a) is not required to be made on the Internet site or the software application; but
 - (b) must be made in accordance with the process described in the memorandum of understanding required under regulation 23J; and
 - (c) must meet the requirements of regulation 23I.

Regulation 23H: inserted, on 1 October 2019, by regulation 5 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2019 (LI 2019/132).

23I Requirements for ETA request

- (1) A request for an ETA must—
 - (a) be completed in English; and
 - (b) contain the following information about the person who is required to hold the ETA, if the information is required by the electronic form:
 - (i) their full name as shown in their passport or United Nations laissez-passer:
 - (ii) any previous name and any other name that they may be, or may have been, known by:
 - (iii) their date and place of birth:
 - (iv) their gender:
 - (v) their nationality:
 - (vi) the details of their passport or United Nations laissez-passer, including the passport or laissez-passer number, the issuing country (if applicable), the issue date, and the expiry date:
 - (vii) their national identity number (if applicable):

- (viii) whether they hold a current permanent residence visa (including a resident return visa) issued by the Government of Australia:
 - (viia) whether they hold a visa of a class specified in Part 2 of Schedule 2:
 - (ix) whether they have previously travelled to New Zealand:
 - (x) whether they have previously applied for a New Zealand visa:
 - (xi) their address, phone number, and email address (if any):
 - (xii) any intended dates of arrival in and departure from New Zealand (if known):
 - (xiii) whether they are planning to transit through New Zealand:
 - (xiv) their mode of transport to New Zealand (if known):
 - (xv) any booking references related to the intended travel (if applicable):
 - (xvi) declarations about their criminal conviction history and any removals, exclusions, or deportations from any country:
 - (xvii) a declaration about whether the purpose of the travel is to seek medical consultation or treatment:
 - (xviii) a photograph of their head that complies with the standards specified for that purpose by the Department:
 - (xix) if the request is made by the person's agent (which may include a carrier or a carrier's representative), the full name, date of birth (if applicable), passport or United Nations laissez-passer details (if applicable), industry identifiers (if applicable), and contact details of that agent:
 - (xx) a declaration that the information provided in relation to the request is true and correct to the best of the person's or their agent's knowledge; and
 - (c) be accompanied by the prescribed fee (if applicable); and
 - (d) in the case of a request for a traveller ETA, be accompanied by the IVL (if applicable).
- (2) If the person to whom the ETA request relates holds more than 1 passport, or holds a passport as well as a United Nations laissez-passer, they may provide the details referred to in subclause (1)(vi) for—
- (a) each additional passport; or
 - (b) the passport as well as the United Nations laissez-passer.

Regulation 23I: inserted, on 1 October 2019, by regulation 5 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2019 (LI 2019/132).

Regulation 23I(1)(b)(viia): inserted, on 27 October 2025, by regulation 4 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 2) 2025 (SL 2025/204).

Regulation 23I(1)(b)(xviii): replaced, on 24 October 2024, by regulation 6 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 4) 2024 (SL 2024/196).

23J Crew ETA requests made by carrier or carrier's representative

- (1) This regulation applies if a request for a crew ETA is made on a person's behalf by—
 - (a) a carrier in respect of which the person is employed or engaged in working or providing a service in or on a craft; or
 - (b) that carrier's representative.
- (2) The request may be made by the carrier or the representative only if—
 - (a) a memorandum of understanding in respect of ETA requests made on behalf of crew or positioning crew is in place between the carrier or the representative and the Department; and
 - (b) the request is made in accordance with the process described in that memorandum.

Regulation 23J: inserted, on 1 October 2019, by regulation 5 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2019 (LI 2019/132).

Issue or refusal of ETAs

Heading: inserted, on 1 October 2019, by regulation 5 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2019 (LI 2019/132).

23K ETAs issued by immigration officer

- (1) After receiving an ETA request that complies with regulation 23I, an immigration officer may issue a traveller ETA, a transit ETA, or a crew ETA, in accordance with regulations 23B to 23D.
- (2) For the purposes of this regulation, the immigration officer may disregard—
 - (a) an immaterial mistake that is made with respect to the information provided for an ETA request; and
 - (b) a change in circumstances of the person who is required to hold the ETA that would result in an immaterial change to the information provided for their ETA request.

Regulation 23K: inserted, on 1 October 2019, by regulation 5 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2019 (LI 2019/132).

23L When immigration officer must refuse to issue ETA

- (1) An immigration officer must refuse to issue an ETA if—
 - (a) the person who is the subject of the ETA request—
 - (i) is an excluded person; or
 - (ii) declares that a purpose of their visit includes medical consultation or treatment; or

- (iii) in the case of a transit ETA, is not a person described in Schedule 1; or
 - (iv) in the case of a traveller ETA or a crew ETA, is not a person described in Schedule 2; or
 - (b) the passport of the person who is the subject of the ETA request is invalid; or
 - (c) in the case of a crew ETA request that is made on a person's behalf by a carrier or a carrier's representative, the request does not comply with the requirements of regulation 23J.
- (2) Subclause (1)(a)(ii) does not apply to a person who holds a current permanent residence visa (including a resident return visa) issued by the Government of Australia.

Regulation 23L: inserted, on 1 October 2019, by regulation 5 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2019 (LI 2019/132).

Validity of ETA

Heading: inserted, on 1 October 2019, by regulation 5 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2019 (LI 2019/132).

23M Period of validity of ETA

- (1) An ETA is valid for the following period beginning on the day on which it is issued:
- (a) in the case of a traveller ETA or a transit ETA, 2 years:
 - (b) in the case of a crew ETA, 5 years.
- (2) Subclause (1) is subject to regulation 23N.

Regulation 23M: inserted, on 1 October 2019, by regulation 5 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2019 (LI 2019/132).

23N When ETA ceases to be valid

- (1) An ETA ceases to be valid—
- (a) if the period of validity has expired; or
 - (b) for any period during which the person to whom the ETA was issued—
 - (i) is an excluded person; or
 - (ii) is a person a purpose of whose visit includes medical consultation or treatment; or
 - (iii) in the case of a transit ETA, is not a person described in Schedule 1; or
 - (iv) in the case of a traveller ETA, is not a person described in Schedule 2; or
 - (v) in the case of a crew ETA,—
 - (A) is not crew or positioning crew; or

- (B) if the request for the crew ETA was made in accordance with regulation 23J, is not employed by, or engaged in working or providing a service in or on the craft of, the carrier or representative who made the request on the person's behalf; or
 - (vi) is a person to whom a special direction issued by the Minister under section 69(2)(b) or (d) of the Act applies (which enables the suspension of a waiver of the requirement to hold a visa permitting travel to New Zealand).
- (2) Subclause (1)(b)(ii) does not apply to a person who holds a current permanent residence visa (including a resident return visa) issued by the Government of Australia.

Regulation 23N: inserted, on 1 October 2019, by regulation 5 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2019 (LI 2019/132).

Regulation 23N(1)(b)(vi): inserted, on 18 March 2020, by regulation 4 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2020 (LI 2020/40).

Part 5

Entry permission

24 Application requirements

- (1AA) This regulation applies to an application for entry permission unless the application is made online under regulation 24A.
- (1) An application for entry permission must be made at an immigration control area.
 - (2) An application must—
 - (a) be made on the approved form; and
 - (b) relate to only 1 person; and
 - (c) be completed in English; and
 - (d) be signed by the applicant; and
 - (e) be given—
 - (i) to an immigration officer together with the applicant's passport or certificate of identity and evidence of any visa that the applicant holds; or
 - (ii) to an automated electronic system together with the applicant's passport and evidence of any visa that the applicant holds.
 - (3) Despite subclause (2)(d), if the applicant is less than 18 years old,—
 - (a) the application form must be signed by a parent or guardian of the applicant, if the applicant is accompanied by that person; or

- (b) the application form is not required to be signed, if the applicant is not accompanied by a parent or guardian.
- (4) Despite subclause (2)(e), the following people are only required to give an immigration officer the approved form:
 - (a) a member of the Armed Forces (including Civil Staff) who holds a residence class visa and who arrives in New Zealand on a commercial craft in the ordinary course of his or her duty or employment:
 - (b) a member of a visiting force (including a member of the civilian component of a visiting force), who arrives in New Zealand on a commercial craft and whose presence in New Zealand is in the ordinary course of his or her duty or employment.
- (5) The immigration officer processing an application may require the applicant to do 1 or more of the following before determining the application:
 - (a) be interviewed by an immigration officer:
 - (b) produce further information or evidence (including photographs) that the officer thinks necessary for him or her to determine the application:
 - (c) undergo a medical examination or another medical examination, as the case may be.

Regulation 24(1AA): inserted, on 21 June 2023, by regulation 9 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2023 (SL 2023/77).

Regulation 24(2)(a): amended, at 2 am on 29 November 2010, by regulation 22(1) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2010 (SR 2010/382).

Regulation 24(2)(e): substituted, at 2 am on 29 November 2010, by regulation 22(2) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2010 (SR 2010/382).

Regulation 24(3): amended, at 2 am on 29 November 2010, by regulation 22(3) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2010 (SR 2010/382).

Regulation 24(4): substituted, at 2 am on 29 November 2010, by regulation 22(4) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2010 (SR 2010/382).

24A Application may be made online

- (1) An application at an immigration control area for entry permission may be made online if electronic forms have been provided for the purpose on an Internet site or a software application referred to in subclause (4).
- (2) This regulation applies to an application made in accordance with subclause (1).
- (3) The application must relate to only 1 person.
- (4) The application must be made—
 - (a) by means of one of the following that is made available and maintained by or on behalf of the Department for that purpose:
 - (i) an Internet site; or

- (ii) a software application that is designed to be used on a mobile device; and
 - (b) using an electronic form provided on the Internet site or the software application for the purpose.
- (5) Without limiting subclause (4)(b), the electronic form must require the applicant to—
 - (a) state the applicant's full name; and
 - (b) state the applicant's date and place of birth; and
 - (c) state the details of the applicant's passport or certificate of identity; and
 - (d) acknowledge that the details supplied in support of the application are true and correct to the best of the applicant's knowledge.
- (6) In order to complete the making of the application, the applicant must—
 - (a) give the applicant's passport or certificate of identity and evidence of any visa that the applicant holds to an immigration officer; or
 - (b) give the applicant's passport and evidence of any visa that the applicant holds to an automated electronic system.
- (7) An immigration officer or automated electronic system processing the application may, in order for the application to be determined, require the applicant to—
 - (a) be interviewed by an immigration officer;
 - (b) produce further information or evidence (including photographs) that the officer thinks necessary in order to determine the application;
 - (c) undergo a medical examination or another medical examination, as the case may be.
- (8) An application under this regulation may be completed in English or any other language enabled by the electronic form referred to in subclause (4)(b).

Regulation 24A: inserted, on 21 June 2023, by regulation 10 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2023 (SL 2023/77).

25 Exemptions from requirement to apply for entry permission

The following people are exempt from the requirement to apply for entry permission and deemed to have been granted entry permission on their arrival in New Zealand:

- (a) the people described in the first column of Schedule 3; and
- (b) a member of the Armed Forces (including Civil Staff) who holds a residence class visa and who, in the ordinary course of his or her duty or employment, is travelling to New Zealand on a military craft; and
- (c) a crew member of a military craft who holds a residence class visa and who, in the ordinary course of his or her duty or employment, is transporting members of the Armed Forces to New Zealand.

Regulation 25: substituted, at 2 am on 29 November 2010, by regulation 23 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2010 (SR 2010/382).

Part 6

Miscellaneous matters

26AA Prescribed fees (not imposed elsewhere by these regulations)

A prescribed fee is imposed for the following matters:

- (a) a request for a special direction:
- (b) the grant of a residence class or temporary entry class visa under section 61 of the Act:
- (c) an application for variation of conditions imposed on any type of temporary entry class visa:
- (d) a check of compliance with conditions imposed under immigration instructions on a Parent Boost visitor visa:
- (daa) *[Revoked]*
- (dab) *[Revoked]*
- (da) a request under immigration instructions by an employer for approval in principle to recruit overseas workers under foreign crew of fishing vessels instructions:
- (e) a request under immigration instructions for supplementary seasonal employment approval in principle:
- (f) a call-out fee where an office of the Department is opened outside normal working hours in order to process an immigration matter:
- (g) *[Revoked]*
- (h) *[Revoked]*
- (i) *[Revoked]*
- (ia) an entertainment industry accreditation in respect of specific purpose or events immigration instructions:
- (j) a request for recognised seasonal employer status under Recognised Seasonal Employer work immigration instructions:
- (k) an agreement to recruit under Recognised Seasonal Employer work immigration instructions:
- (l) *[Revoked]*
- (l) *[Revoked]*
- (m) *[Revoked]*
- (n) an application for employer accreditation under Accredited Employer immigration instructions:

- (o) a request for reconsideration of an application for employer accreditation under Accredited Employer immigration instructions:
- (p) a job check under Accredited Employer immigration instructions:
- (q) a request for reconsideration of a job check under Accredited Employer immigration instructions.

Regulation 26AA: inserted, at 2 am on 29 November 2010, by regulation 24 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2010 (SR 2010/382).

Regulation 26AA(c): replaced, on 19 February 2013, by regulation 4 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2013 (SR 2013/6).

Regulation 26AA(d): inserted, on 29 September 2025, by regulation 4 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2025 (SL 2025/180).

Regulation 26AA(daa): revoked, on 4 July 2022, by regulation 4(1) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2022 (SL 2022/100).

Regulation 26AA(dab): revoked, on 4 July 2022, by regulation 4(1) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2022 (SL 2022/100).

Regulation 26AA(da): inserted, on 5 July 2012, by regulation 4 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 3) 2012 (SR 2012/117).

Regulation 26AA(da): amended, on 18 April 2014, by regulation 12 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2014 (LI 2014/79).

Regulation 26AA(g): revoked, on 1 July 2022, by regulation 4 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 2) 2022 (SL 2022/203).

Regulation 26AA(h): revoked, on 4 July 2022, by regulation 4(1) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2022 (SL 2022/100).

Regulation 26AA(i): revoked, on 4 July 2022, by regulation 4(1) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2022 (SL 2022/100).

Regulation 26AA(ia): inserted, on 30 April 2012, by regulation 4 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2012 (SR 2012/36).

Regulation 26AA(k): replaced, on 19 September 2014, by regulation 8 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 3) 2014 (LI 2014/283).

Regulation 26AA(l): revoked, on 1 October 2024, by regulation 5 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 2) 2024 (SL 2024/181).

Regulation 26AA(l): revoked, on 19 September 2014, by regulation 8 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 3) 2014 (LI 2014/283).

Regulation 26AA(m): revoked, on 1 October 2024, by regulation 5 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 2) 2024 (SL 2024/181).

Regulation 26AA(n): inserted, on 23 May 2022, by regulation 4(2) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2022 (SL 2022/100).

Regulation 26AA(o): inserted, on 23 May 2022, by regulation 4(2) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2022 (SL 2022/100).

Regulation 26AA(p): inserted, on 23 May 2022, by regulation 4(2) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2022 (SL 2022/100).

Regulation 26AA(q): inserted, on 23 May 2022, by regulation 4(2) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2022 (SL 2022/100).

26AAB Exemptions from prescribed fees

- (1) Despite anything to the contrary in these regulations, a prescribed fee is not payable by—

- (a) a citizen of any country with which New Zealand maintains a reciprocal fee-waiver agreement in respect of the prescribed fee; or
 - (b) a person described in Schedule 5; or
 - (c) a person applying under the Special Category for Victims of People Trafficking immigration instructions for a residence class visa or a temporary entry class visa.
- (1A) The exemption in subclause (1)(a) does not apply to the prescribed fees for ETA requests.
- (2) Despite anything to the contrary in these regulations, a prescribed fee is not payable by a Fijian citizen who applies for a transit visa.
- (3) Despite anything to the contrary in these regulations, a prescribed fee is not payable for—
 - (a) an application for a visa under Skilled Migrant Category Job Search immigration instructions; or
 - (b) an application for a visa that is associated with an application to which paragraph (a) applies.
- (4) *[Revoked]*
- (5) *[Revoked]*
- (5A) *[Revoked]*
- (6) *[Revoked]*

Regulation 26AAB: inserted, at 2 am on 29 November 2010, by regulation 24 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2010 (SR 2010/382).

Regulation 26AAB heading: amended, on 7 December 2015, by regulation 18(1) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 3) 2015 (LI 2015/274).

Regulation 26AAB(1A): inserted, on 1 October 2019, by regulation 8 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2019 (LI 2019/132).

Regulation 26AAB(3)(a): amended, on 25 July 2011, by regulation 5 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2011 (SR 2011/214).

Regulation 26AAB(4): revoked, on 7 December 2015, by regulation 18(2) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 3) 2015 (LI 2015/274).

Regulation 26AAB(5): revoked, on 7 December 2015, by regulation 18(2) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 3) 2015 (LI 2015/274).

Regulation 26AAB(5A): revoked, on 7 December 2015, by regulation 18(2) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 3) 2015 (LI 2015/274).

Regulation 26AAB(6): revoked, on 7 December 2015, by regulation 18(2) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 3) 2015 (LI 2015/274).

26AABA Exemptions from prescribed fees: COVID-19 immigration instructions

[Revoked]

Regulation 26AABA: revoked, on 1 October 2024, by regulation 6 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 2) 2024 (SL 2024/181).

26AAC No cash payment of prescribed fees

No prescribed fee may be paid in cash unless accepted by special direction.

Regulation 26AAC: inserted, on 1 July 2019, by regulation 26 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2019 (LI 2019/132).

26AAD International visitor conservation and tourism levy (IVL)

- (1) An international visitor conservation and tourism levy of \$100 is imposed on a person who—
 - (a) applies for a temporary entry class visa, other than at an immigration control area or a port; or
 - (b) requests a traveller ETA as a condition of a temporary entry class visa waiver.
- (2) The IVL is in addition to all other amounts payable in respect of the visa application or ETA request.
- (3) In this regulation, **temporary entry class visa waiver** means a waiver, under section 69 of the Act, of the requirement to hold a temporary entry class visa permitting travel to New Zealand.

Section 26AAD: inserted, on 1 July 2019, by regulation 15 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2019 (LI 2019/132).

Section 26AAD(1): amended, on 1 October 2024, by regulation 4 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 3) 2024 (SL 2024/182).

26AAE Exemptions from IVL

- (1) A person is exempt from paying the IVL if—
 - (a) the person is exempt from paying the prescribed fee for the visa application or ETA request referred to in regulation 26AAD(1); and
 - (b) the exemption from paying the prescribed fee is provided for by—
 - (i) a special direction under section 395(2) of the Act; or
 - (ii) regulation 26AAB(1)(b) or (c) or (3); or
 - (iii) any other regulation, except regulation 26AAB(1)(a), that is made under section 400(f) of the Act for a matter provided for in section 395 of the Act.
- (2) A person is exempt from paying the IVL if 1 or more of the following apply:
 - (a) the person is a citizen of a country or territory listed in regulation 4A(3)(b);
 - (b) the person holds a current permanent residence visa (including a resident return visa) issued by the Government of Australia;
 - (c) the person is travelling on a United Nations laissez-passer that was issued by the Secretariat of the United Nations under the—
 - (i) United Nations Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the United Nations, done at New York on 13 February 1946; or

- (ii) United Nations Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the Specialized Agencies of the United Nations, done at New York on 21 November 1947:
 - (d) the person is a domestic staff member of a person described in any of items 1 to 7 of Schedule 5:
 - (e) the person is a member of, or a person associated with, a scientific programme or expedition under the auspices of a Contracting Party to the Antarctic Treaty (within the meaning of the Antarctica Act 1960) or a person to whom section 5 of that Act applies:
 - (f) the person is a member of a visiting force (including a member of the civilian component of the visiting force) who is travelling to and arriving in New Zealand in the ordinary course of the person's duty or employment:
 - (g) the person is a crew member of a military craft who, in the ordinary course of the person's duty or employment, is transporting members of a visiting force (including members of the civilian component of the visiting force) to New Zealand:
 - (h) the person is positioning crew.
- (3) A person is exempt from paying the IVL under regulation 26AAD(1)(a) if the visa application is made on the basis that the person is a spouse, partner, or dependent child of, or a child travelling to New Zealand for the purpose of being adopted by,—
- (a) a New Zealand citizen; or
 - (b) a person who holds a visa; or
 - (c) an applicant for a visa.
- (4) For the purposes of subclause (3)(c), a visa application is not regarded as made on the basis that a person (A) is a spouse, partner, or dependent child of another person (B) by reason only of the fact that, instead of making a separate application, A is included in the same application as B under regulation 20(1) or 21(6).
- (5) A person is exempt from paying the IVL under regulation 26AAD(1)(a) if the visa application is for—
- (a) a visa to travel to New Zealand for the purpose of—
 - (i) medical consultation or treatment; or
 - (ii) escorting a person who is visiting New Zealand for the purpose of medical consultation or treatment; or
 - (b) a business visitor visa under immigration instructions; or
 - (c) a student visa under immigration instructions if the person is supported by a scholarship administered by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade; or

- (d) a Pathway Student Visas Pilot visa under immigration instructions; or
- (e) any of the following work or limited visas under immigration instructions:
 - (i) a work visa on the basis of which its holder may subsequently apply for a residence class visa:
 - (ii) China Special Work:
 - (iii) China Skilled Worker:
 - (iv) Philippines Special Work:
 - (v) Vietnam Special Work:
 - (vi) Indonesia Special Work:
 - (vii) Interpreter from Japan:
 - (viii) Thai Chef:
 - (ix) *[Revoked]*
 - (x) Supplementary Seasonal Employer:
 - (xi) Recognised Seasonal Employer:
 - (xii) *[Revoked]*
 - (xiii) Post Study:
 - (xiv) Foreign Crew of Fishing Vessel:
 - (xv) Accredited Employer.

Regulation 26AAE: inserted, on 1 July 2019, by regulation 15 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2019 (LI 2019/132).

Regulation 26AAE(5)(e)(ix): revoked, on 4 July 2022, by regulation 5(1) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2022 (SL 2022/100).

Regulation 26AAE(5)(e)(xii): revoked, on 4 July 2022, by regulation 5(1) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2022 (SL 2022/100).

Regulation 26AAE(5)(e)(xv): inserted, on 4 July 2022, by regulation 5(2) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2022 (SL 2022/100).

26 Prescribed fees, immigration levy, and IVL inclusive of GST

The prescribed fees, immigration levy, and IVL imposed by these regulations are inclusive of goods and services tax.

Regulation 26: replaced, on 7 December 2015, by regulation 19 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 3) 2015 (LI 2015/274).

Regulation 26 heading: amended, on 1 July 2019, by regulation 21(1) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2019 (LI 2019/132).

Regulation 26: amended, on 1 July 2019, by regulation 21(2) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2019 (LI 2019/132).

27 Migrant levy must be deposited with chief executive before visa granted

[Revoked]

Regulation 27: revoked, on 7 December 2015, by regulation 19 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 3) 2015 (LI 2015/274).

28 Exemption from payment of migrant levy

[Revoked]

Regulation 28: revoked, on 7 December 2015, by regulation 19 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 3) 2015 (LI 2015/274).

28A Prescribed fees and migrant levy inclusive of GST

[Revoked]

Regulation 28A: revoked, on 7 December 2015, by regulation 19 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 3) 2015 (LI 2015/274).

28B Obligations of New Zealand citizens arriving in New Zealand at immigration control area

- (1) A New Zealand citizen who enters New Zealand as a New Zealand citizen at an immigration control area must have his or her New Zealand citizen status confirmed—
 - (a) by giving an immigration officer—
 - (i) a New Zealand passport; or
 - (ii) a foreign passport containing an endorsement of a type described in section 384(1) of the Act; or
 - (iii) a foreign passport containing a returning resident's visa (within the meaning of section 2(1) of the Immigration Act 1987); or
 - (b) by giving an automated electronic system a New Zealand passport.
- (2) Despite subclause (1), a New Zealand citizen arriving on a commercial craft who enters New Zealand at an immigration control area as a New Zealand citizen acting in the ordinary course of his or her duty or employment with the Armed Forces (including Civil Staff) must have his or her New Zealand citizen status confirmed—
 - (a) by giving an immigration officer a passport described in subclause (1)(a) or his or her military orders or military identity card; or
 - (b) by giving an automated electronic system a New Zealand passport.

Regulation 28B: inserted, at 2 am on 29 November 2010, by regulation 27 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2010 (SR 2010/382).

28C Exemption from obligation to present to immigration officer when arriving in New Zealand at immigration control area

The following people who arrive in New Zealand at an immigration control area are exempt from the requirement to present themselves to an immigration officer:

- (a) the people described in the first column of Schedule 3:
- (b) members of the Armed Forces (including Civil Staff) acting in the ordinary course of their duty or employment who arrive on a military craft:
- (c) crew members of a military craft carrying members of the Armed Forces (including Civil Staff):
- (d) a person who complies with regulation 8(2)(e)(ii), 11(1)(e)(ii), or 24(2)(e)(ii), unless the automated electronic system indicates that the person must present himself or herself to an immigration officer.
- (da) a person who complies with a requirement in regulation 23AA(5C), 23A(4C), or 24A(6)(b) to give their passport to an automated electronic system, unless the automated electronic system indicates that the person must present himself or herself to an immigration officer:
- (e) a New Zealand citizen who complies with regulation 28B(1)(b) or (2)(b), unless the automated electronic system indicates that the person must present himself or herself to an immigration officer.

Regulation 28C: inserted, at 2 am on 29 November 2010, by regulation 27 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2010 (SR 2010/382).

Regulation 28C(da): inserted, on 21 June 2023, by regulation 11 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2023 (SL 2023/77).

29 Obligations of people arriving in New Zealand at place other than immigration control area

- (1) Subclause (2) applies to a person who—
 - (a) arrives in New Zealand at a place other than an immigration control area; and
 - (b) has not been granted a visa or entry permission.
- (2) The person must report to an immigration officer at an immigration control area no later than 72 hours after arriving in New Zealand and apply for a visa or entry permission, as the case may be, in accordance with the relevant provisions of these regulations.
- (3) The following people are exempt from the requirements of this regulation:
 - (a) the people described in the first column of Schedule 3:
 - (b) members of the Armed Forces (including Civil Staff) acting in the ordinary course of their duty or employment who arrive on a military craft:
 - (c) crew members of a military craft carrying members of the Armed Forces (including Civil Staff):

- (d) a person exempted by special direction.

Regulation 29(3): substituted, at 2 am on 29 November 2010, by regulation 28 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2010 (SR 2010/382).

30 People leaving New Zealand who are exempt from presenting themselves to immigration officer

The following people are exempt from the requirement to present themselves to an immigration officer before leaving New Zealand:

- (a) the people described in the first column of Schedule 3:
- (b) a member of the Armed Forces (including Civil Staff), if—
 - (i) the person's departure from New Zealand is in the ordinary course of his or her duty or employment; and
 - (ii) the person departs on a military craft:
- (c) crew members of military craft carrying members of the Armed Forces (including Civil Staff):
- (d) people leaving New Zealand by means of an automated electronic system, unless the automated electronic system indicates that a person must present himself or herself to an immigration officer.

Regulation 30: substituted, at 2 am on 29 November 2010, by regulation 29 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2010 (SR 2010/382).

Regulation 30(d): inserted, on 18 April 2014, by regulation 14 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2014 (LI 2014/79).

31 People leaving New Zealand must present identity document

- (1) Before leaving New Zealand, a person must present,—
 - (a) to an immigration officer,—
 - (i) the person's passport or certificate of identity; or
 - (ii) if the person is a member of the Armed Forces (including Civil Staff) acting in the ordinary course of his or her duty or employment and departing on a commercial craft, the person's passport, certificate of identity, military orders, or military identity card; or
 - (b) to an automated electronic system, the person's passport.
- (2) Subclause (1) does not apply to a person who—
 - (a) is described in regulation 30(a), (b), or (c); or
 - (b) is exempted by special direction.

Regulation 31: replaced, on 5 November 2018, by regulation 5 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2018 (LI 2018/180).

31A People leaving New Zealand may be required to present evidence of entitlement to travel

- (1) Before leaving New Zealand, a person may be required to present to an immigration officer evidence of the person's entitlement to travel outside New Zealand (for example, their boarding pass or travel tickets).
- (2) Subclause (1) does not apply to a person who—
 - (a) is described in regulation 30(a), (b), or (c); or
 - (b) is exempted by special direction.

Regulation 31A: inserted, on 5 November 2018, by regulation 6 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2018 (LI 2018/180).

32 Application for confirmation of immigration status

- (1) A person may obtain an endorsement (to confirm his or her immigration status) in either of the following circumstances:
 - (a) the person wants his or her passport or certificate of identity to be endorsed; or
 - (b) the person wants an endorsement to be transferred to a new passport or certificate of identity.
- (2) A person must make an application on an approved form.
- (3) An application must be given to an immigration officer together with the following material:
 - (a) the applicant's passport or certificate of identity; and
 - (b) if applicable, any previous or expired passport or certificate of identity; and
 - (c) evidence of the applicant's current visa; and
 - (d) the prescribed fee.
- (3A) However, subclause (3) does not apply to an application that is made online under regulation 23AA or 23A.
- (4) The immigration officer processing the application may before determining the application require the applicant to produce further information or evidence (including photographs) that the officer thinks necessary for him or her to determine the application.

Regulation 32(3): amended, on 7 December 2015, by regulation 20(1) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 3) 2015 (LI 2015/274).

Regulation 32(3)(c): amended, at 2 am on 29 November 2010, by regulation 30 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2010 (SR 2010/382).

Regulation 32(3)(d): added, at 2 am on 29 November 2010, by regulation 30 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2010 (SR 2010/382).

Regulation 32(3A): replaced, on 7 December 2015, by regulation 20(2) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 3) 2015 (LI 2015/274).

33 Application for endorsement of New Zealand citizenship in foreign passport

(1AA) This regulation applies to an application for endorsement of New Zealand citizenship in a foreign passport unless the application is made online under regulation 23AA or 23A.

(1) A first-time application for endorsement of New Zealand citizenship in a foreign passport must—

- (a) be made on an approved form; and
- (b) relate to only 1 person; and
- (c) be completed in English; and
- (d) be signed by the applicant (unless the applicant is less than 18 years old, in which case the application form must be signed by a parent or guardian of the applicant); and
- (e) be given to an immigration officer together with the following material:
 - (i) the applicant's passport that he or she wishes to be endorsed; and
 - (ia) the prescribed fee; and
 - (ii) one of the following as evidence that he or she is a New Zealand citizen:
 - (A) an original or a certified copy of a New Zealand passport; or
 - (B) an original or a certified copy of a New Zealand birth certificate issued before 1 January 2006; or
 - (C) an original or a certified copy of a New Zealand birth certificate issued on or after 1 January 2006 that positively indicates the holder of the certificate has New Zealand citizenship; or
 - (D) an original or a certified copy of a certificate of New Zealand citizenship issued under the Citizenship Act 1977; or
 - (E) an original or a certified copy of a certificate of confirmation of New Zealand citizenship by descent issued under the Citizenship Act 1977; or
 - (F) an original or a certified copy of an evidentiary certificate issued under the Citizenship Act 1977 confirming New Zealand citizenship.

(2) A second or subsequent application for an endorsement of New Zealand citizenship in a foreign passport must—

- (a) be made on an approved form; and
- (b) relate to only 1 person; and
- (c) be completed in English; and

- (d) be signed by the applicant (unless the applicant is less than 18 years old, in which case the application form must be signed by a parent or guardian of the applicant); and
- (e) be given to an immigration officer together with the following material:
 - (i) the applicant's passport that he or she wishes to be endorsed; and
 - (ia) the prescribed fee; and
 - (ii) a declaration that he or she has previously held a foreign passport with an endorsement confirming New Zealand citizenship.

Regulation 33(1AA): replaced, on 7 December 2015, by regulation 21 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 3) 2015 (LI 2015/274).

Regulation 33(1)(e)(ia): inserted, at 2 am on 29 November 2010, by regulation 31(1) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2010 (SR 2010/382).

Regulation 33(2)(e)(ia): inserted, at 2 am on 29 November 2010, by regulation 31(2) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2010 (SR 2010/382).

34 Minister may waive or vary certain regulation requirements by special direction

- (1) The Minister may waive the following matters provided for by these regulations by special direction:
 - (a) 1 or more of the requirements for applying for a visa (whether at an immigration control area or otherwise):
 - (b) 1 or more of the requirements for applying for a second or subsequent resident visa:
 - (c) 1 or more of the requirements for varying conditions of travel for a resident visa:
 - (d) 1 or more of the requirements for notifying an expression of interest in applying for a residence class visa:
 - (da) 1 or more of the requirements for requesting or holding an ETA:
 - (e) 1 or more of the requirements for applying for entry permission:
 - (f) any matter relating to an endorsement of New Zealand citizenship in a New Zealand citizen's foreign passport.
- (1A) The Minister may, by special direction, extend the time under regulation 29(2) for a person to report to an immigration officer at an immigration control area.
- (2) A special direction may apply in respect of either—
 - (a) a particular person; or
 - (b) 2 or more particular people where by reason of any specific event, occurrence, or unusual circumstances, there is a common link between those people.

- (3) To avoid doubt, subclauses (1) and (1A) are in addition to any express power in the Act or these regulations that authorises the Minister to give a special direction.

Regulation 34 heading: amended, on 18 March 2020, by regulation 5(1) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2020 (LI 2020/40).

Regulation 34(1)(da): inserted, on 1 October 2019, by regulation 9 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2019 (LI 2019/132).

Regulation 34(1A): inserted, on 18 March 2020, by regulation 5(2) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2020 (LI 2020/40).

Regulation 34(3): amended, on 18 March 2020, by regulation 5(3) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2020 (LI 2020/40).

Regulation 34(3): amended, at 2 am on 29 November 2010, by regulation 32 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2010 (SR 2010/382).

35 Application for refund of excess deportation or repatriation costs recovered

- (1) This regulation applies to an application made under section 398(6) of the Act for a refund of excess deportation or repatriation costs recovered.
- (2) An application must—
- (a) be made on the approved form; and
 - (b) provide details of the refund sought; and
 - (c) be signed by the applicant, unless the applicant is a sponsor who is not a natural person, in which case the application must be signed by the individual nominated by the sponsor under section 48(5) of the Act as the authorised contact; and
 - (d) be sent to the Department at the address specified in the approved form; and
 - (e) be accompanied by a copy of a form of identification that provides evidence of the identity of the person who signed the application and that includes that person's signature.
- (3) The applicant must provide any information or produce any evidence that may be required by an immigration officer in order to process the application.

Regulation 35: inserted, on 6 November 2015, by regulation 6 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 2) 2015 (LI 2015/230).

36 Refund of prescribed fee for certain 2021 Resident Visa applicants

- (1) This regulation applies to a person who—
- (a) has applied for a 2021 Resident Visa (**application A**); and
 - (b) is the principal applicant in an application or expression of interest referred to in regulation 5(2AA)(a) to (c) (**application B**); and
 - (c) has been notified that the prescribed fee for application A is payable.

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- (2) Provided that the person withdraws application B, any prescribed fee paid in relation to application B must, in accordance with the person's preference, be either—
- (a) refunded; or
 - (b) applied towards application A.
- (3) If subclause (2)(b) applies, and the prescribed fee for application A is less than the prescribed fee for application B, then the person must be refunded the difference between the prescribed fees.
- (4) For the purposes of subclause (1)(b), the **principal applicant** is,—
- (a) if regulation 20 applies to the application or notification, the applicant who is declared to be the principal applicant on the approved form; and
 - (b) in all other cases, the applicant.

Regulation 36: inserted, on 1 December 2021, by regulation 9 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment (COVID-19—Applications) Regulations (No 3) 2021 (SL 2021/377).

Schedule 1AA

Application, savings, and transitional provisions relating to amendments made to these regulations after 1 December 2015

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Schedule 1AA: inserted, on 7 December 2015, by regulation 22 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 3) 2015 (LI 2015/274).

Part 1

Provisions relating to Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 3) 2015

1 Interpretation

In clause 2,—

amendment regulations means the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 3) 2015

relevant person has the meaning given to it by section 399(7) of the Act.

2 Transitional provision

Regulations 26 to 28, as in force immediately before the commencement of the amendment regulations, continue to apply in respect of a relevant person who under section 399(8)(b) of the Act would have been liable to pay the migrant levy.

Part 2

Provisions relating to Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2019

Schedule 1AA Part 2: inserted, on 1 July 2019, by regulation 10 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2019 (LI 2019/132).

3 Interpretation

In clause 4, **amendment regulations** means the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2019.

Schedule 1AA clause 3: inserted, on 1 July 2019, by regulation 10 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2019 (LI 2019/132).

4 Application of certain provisions respecting ETAs as of 1 July 2019

A person who is required to hold an ETA on or after 1 October 2019 under regulations 23B to 23D, as inserted by regulation 5 of the amendment regulations, may, beginning on 1 July 2019, request an ETA and, in that case,—

- (a) these regulations apply in relation to the request and the issued ETA; and
- (b) the period of validity of the ETA begins on the date on which it is issued.

Schedule 1AA clause 4: inserted, on 1 July 2019, by regulation 10 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2019 (LI 2019/132).

Part 3

Provisions relating to Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2022

Schedule 1AA Part 3: inserted, on 23 May 2022, by regulation 6(a) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2022 (SL 2022/100).

5 Exemption from accreditation fees for employers accredited under previous scheme

A person applying for employer accreditation under Accredited Employer immigration instructions is exempt from paying the prescribed fee under regulation 26AA(n) if—

- (a) the application is the person's first application for employer accreditation under Accredited Employer immigration instructions; and
- (b) at the start of 23 May 2022, the person held an employer accreditation under Talent (Accredited Employers) Work immigration instructions with at least 6 months' validity remaining; and
- (c) the application is submitted before the end of those 6 months.

Schedule 1AA clause 5: inserted, on 23 May 2022, by regulation 6(a) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2022 (SL 2022/100).

Part 4

Provision relating to Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 4) 2024

Schedule 1AA Part 4: inserted, on 3 February 2025, by regulation 7(a) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 4) 2024 (SL 2024/196).

6 Persons who will be required to hold ETA on or after 1 April 2025 may request ETA

- (1) This clause applies to a person who is required to hold an ETA on or after 1 April 2025 under the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 4) 2024.
- (2) The person may, from 3 February 2025, request an ETA and, in that case,—
 - (a) these regulations apply in relation to the request and the issued ETA; and
 - (b) the period of validity of the ETA begins on the date on which it is issued.

Schedule 1AA clause 6: inserted, on 3 February 2025, by regulation 7(a) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 4) 2024 (SL 2024/196).

Part 5

Provisions relating to Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 2) 2025

Schedule 1AA Part 5: inserted, on 27 October 2025, by regulation 5(a) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 2) 2025 (SL 2025/204).

7 Interpretation

In clause 8,—

amendment regulations means the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 2) 2025

Pacific Islands Forum country means any one of the following:

- (a) Federated States of Micronesia:
- (b) Fiji:
- (c) Kiribati:
- (d) Nauru:
- (e) Niue:
- (f) Palau:
- (g) Papua New Guinea:
- (h) Republic of the Marshall Islands:
- (i) Samoa:
- (j) Solomon Islands:
- (k) Tonga:
- (l) Tuvalu:
- (m) Vanuatu.

Schedule 1AA clause 7: inserted, on 27 October 2025, by regulation 5(a) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 2) 2025 (SL 2025/204).

8 Application of certain provisions respecting ETAs as of 27 October 2025

- (1) This clause applies to a person who is—
 - (a) a citizen of a Pacific Islands Forum country or the People’s Republic of China; and
 - (b) required to hold a traveller ETA to qualify, on or after 3 November 2025, for a waiver, under regulation 18, of the requirement to hold a visa.
- (2) The person may, starting on 27 October 2025, request a traveller ETA and, in that case,—
 - (a) these regulations as amended by the amendment regulations apply in relation to the request and the issued ETA; and
 - (b) the period of validity of the ETA begins on the date on which it is issued.

Schedule 1AA clause 8: inserted, on 27 October 2025, by regulation 5(a) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 2) 2025 (SL 2025/204).

Schedule 1

People to whom waiver of requirement for transit visa applies

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Schedule 1: inserted, on 1 October 2019, by regulation 11 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2019 (LI 2019/132).

- 1 A person who holds a current visa of another class granted under the Act.
- 2 Citizens of Australia and people who hold a current permanent residence visa (including a resident return visa) issued by the Government of Australia.
- 3 A person whose immediate or ultimate destination after transiting through New Zealand is Australia and who holds a current visa issued by the Government of Australia to enter Australia.
- 4 A person travelling from Australia (including a person who began their journey outside Australia).
- 5 British citizens and British passport holders who produce evidence of the right to reside permanently in the United Kingdom.
- 6 Members of, or any person associated with, a scientific programme or expedition under the auspices of a Contracting Party to the Antarctic Treaty (within the meaning of the Antarctica Act 1960) or any person to whom section 5 of that Act applies.
- 7 Members of a visiting force (including members of the civilian component of the visiting force) and crew members of any craft transporting a visiting force.
- 8 Residents of Hong Kong travelling on Hong Kong Special Administrative Region or British National (Overseas) passports.
- 9 Residents of Macau travelling on Macau Special Administrative Region passports.
- 10 Permanent residents of Taiwan travelling on Taiwanese passports.
- 11 People who are travelling on a United Nations laissez-passer that was issued by the Secretariat of the United Nations under the—
 - (a) United Nations Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the United Nations, done at New York on 13 February 1946; or
 - (b) United Nations Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the Specialized Agencies of the United Nations, done at New York on 21 November 1947.
- 12 A citizen of any of the following countries:

- (a) Bahamas:
- (b) Bermuda:
- (c) Bolivia:
- (d) Colombia:
- (e) Costa Rica:
- (f) Ecuador:
- (g) Federated States of Micronesia:
- (ga) Fiji:
- (h) Indonesia:
- (i) Kiribati:
- (j) Nauru:
- (k) Palau:
- (l) Panama:
- (m) Papua New Guinea:
- (n) Paraguay:
- (na) People's Republic of China:
- (o) Peru:
- (p) Philippines:
- (q) Republic of the Marshall Islands:
- (r) Samoa:
- (s) Solomon Islands:
- (t) Thailand:
- (u) Tonga:
- (v) Tuvalu:
- (w) Vanuatu:
- (x) Venezuela:
- (y) a country specified in item 8(1) to (54) of Schedule 2.

Schedule 1 item 12(ga): inserted, on 4 September 2024, by regulation 4 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2024 (SL 2024/146).

Schedule 1 item 12(na): inserted, on 27 October 2025, by regulation 6 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 2) 2025 (SL 2025/204).

Schedule 1
**Temporary entry class visas for which application must be made
online**

[Revoked]

r 12(1), (3)(c)

Schedule 1: revoked, on 18 April 2014, by regulation 18 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2014 (LI 2014/79).

Schedule 2

People to whom waiver to travel to New Zealand applies

r 18(1), item 12(y) of Schedule 1

Schedule 2 heading: amended, on 1 October 2019, by regulation 12(1) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2019 (LI 2019/132).

Schedule 2 heading: amended, at 2 am on 29 November 2010, by regulation 33 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2010 (SR 2010/382).

Part 1

Classes of person

Schedule 2 Part 1: inserted, on 3 November 2025, by regulation 7(1) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 2) 2025 (SL 2025/204).

- 1 Citizens of Australia and people who hold a current permanent residence visa (including a resident return visa) issued by the Government of Australia.
 - 2 British citizens and British passport holders who produce evidence of the right to reside permanently in the United Kingdom, but only if—
 - (a) the person concerned is seeking a temporary visa that is current for no more than 6 months; and
 - (b) the purpose of the visit does not include medical consultation or treatment.
 - 3 Members of, or any person associated with, a scientific programme or expedition under the auspices of a Contracting Party to the Antarctic Treaty (within the meaning of the Antarctica Act 1960) or any person to whom section 5 of that Act applies, but only if—
 - (a) the person concerned is seeking a temporary entry class visa; and
 - (b) the application is made at an immigration control area.
 - 4 Each member of a visiting force (including a member of the civilian component of the visiting force), but only if—
 - (a) each person is travelling to New Zealand in the ordinary course of the person's duty or employment; and
 - (b) each person is seeking a temporary entry class visa at an immigration control area; and
 - (c) the craft transporting the visiting force is a commercial craft.
- Schedule 2 item 4: substituted, at 2 am on 29 November 2010, by regulation 33(3) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2010 (SR 2010/382).
- 5 Residents of Hong Kong travelling on Hong Kong Special Administrative Region or British National (Overseas) Passports, but only if—

- (a) the person concerned is seeking a temporary visa that is current for no more than 3 months; and
 - (b) the purpose of the visit does not include medical consultation or treatment.
- 5A Residents of Macau travelling on Macau Special Administrative Region passports, but only if—
 - (a) the person concerned is seeking a temporary visa that is current for no more than 3 months; and
 - (b) the purpose of the visit does not include medical consultation or treatment.

Schedule 2 item 5A: inserted, on 30 June 2014, by regulation 5 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 2) 2014 (LI 2014/176).
- 6 Permanent residents of Taiwan travelling on Taiwanese passports, but only if—
 - (a) the person concerned is seeking a temporary visa that is current for no more than 3 months; and
 - (b) the purpose of the visit does not include medical consultation or treatment.
- 7 People—
 - (a) who are seeking a temporary visa current for no more than 3 months; and
 - (b) who are travelling on a United Nations laissez passer that was issued by the Secretariat of the United Nations pursuant to either the—
 - (i) United Nations Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the United Nations, done at New York on 13 February 1946; or
 - (ii) United Nations Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the Specialised Agencies of the United Nations, done at New York on 21 November 1947.
- 7A Cruise ship passengers.

Schedule 2 item 7A: inserted, on 1 October 2019, by regulation 12(2) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2019 (LI 2019/132).
- 7B Cruise ship crew travelling in the ordinary course of business of the ship.

Schedule 2 item 7B: inserted, on 1 October 2019, by regulation 12(2) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2019 (LI 2019/132).
- 7C Aircraft crew of an aircraft on a flight between any other country or territory and New Zealand in the course of a scheduled international service.

Schedule 2 item 7C: inserted, on 1 October 2019, by regulation 12(2) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2019 (LI 2019/132).

- 7D Positioning crew.
- Schedule 2 item 7D: inserted, on 1 October 2019, by regulation 12(2) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2019 (LI 2019/132).
- 7E Cargo ship passengers travelling between any foreign port and New Zealand.
- Schedule 2 item 7E: inserted, on 1 April 2025, by regulation 8 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 4) 2024 (SL 2024/196).
- 7F Cargo ship crew travelling in the ordinary course of business of the ship between any foreign port and New Zealand.
- Schedule 2 item 7F: inserted, on 1 April 2025, by regulation 8 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 4) 2024 (SL 2024/196).
- 7G Crew on a foreign ship authorised by the Minister of Transport under section 198(2) of the Maritime Transport Act 1994 to carry coastal cargo (within the meaning of section 198(6) of that Act).
- Schedule 2 item 7G: inserted, on 1 April 2025, by regulation 8 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 4) 2024 (SL 2024/196).
- 8 Citizens of the following countries, but only if the person concerned is seeking entry permission and a temporary visa that is current for no more than 3 months and the purpose of the visit does not include medical consultation or treatment:
- (1) Andorra, Principality of:
 - (2) Argentina:
 - (3) Austria:
 - (4) Bahrain:
 - (5) Belgium:
 - (6) Brazil:
 - (7) Brunei:
 - (8) Bulgaria:
 - (9) Canada:
 - (10) Chile:
 - (10A) Croatia:
 - (11) Cyprus:
 - (12) Czech Republic:
 - (13) Denmark:
 - (14) Estonia:
 - (15) Finland:
 - (16) France:
 - (17) Germany:

- (18) Greece:
- (19) Hungary:
- (20) Iceland:
- (21) Ireland:
- (22) Israel:
- (23) Italy:
- (24) Japan:
- (25) Korea, Republic of:
- (26) Kuwait:
- (27) Latvia:
- (28) Liechtenstein:
- (29) Lithuania:
- (30) Luxembourg:
- (31) Malaysia:
- (32) Malta:
- (32A) Mauritius, Republic of:
- (33) Mexico:
- (34) Monaco:
- (35) Netherlands:
- (36) Norway:
- (37) Oman:
- (38) Poland:
- (39) Portugal (having the right of permanent residence in Portugal):
- (40) Qatar:
- (41) Romania:
- (42) San Marino, Republic of:
- (43) Saudi Arabia:
- (43A) Seychelles, Republic of:
- (44) Singapore:
- (45) Slovak Republic:
- (46) Slovenia:
- (47) *[Revoked]*
- (48) Spain:
- (49) Sweden:
- (50) Switzerland:

- (51) United Arab Emirates:
- (52) United States of America (including Nationals of USA):
- (53) Uruguay:
- (54) Vatican City, State of the.

Schedule 2 item 8(10A): inserted, on 1 July 2013, by regulation 4 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 2) 2013 (SR 2013/229).

Schedule 2 item 8(32A): inserted, on 21 November 2016, by regulation 4(1) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2016 (LI 2016/237).

Schedule 2 item 8(43A): inserted, on 21 November 2016, by regulation 4(2) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2016 (LI 2016/237).

Schedule 2 item 8(47): revoked, on 21 November 2016, by regulation 4(3) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2016 (LI 2016/237).

- 9 People who are travelling from Australia to New Zealand, but only if—
- (a) the person concerned is travelling on a passport issued by one of the following countries:
 - (i) Federated States of Micronesia:
 - (ii) Fiji:
 - (iii) Kiribati:
 - (iv) Nauru:
 - (v) Niue:
 - (vi) Palau:
 - (vii) Papua New Guinea:
 - (viii) Republic of the Marshall Islands:
 - (ix) Samoa:
 - (x) Solomon Islands:
 - (xi) Tonga:
 - (xii) Tuvalu:
 - (xiii) Vanuatu; and
 - (b) the person holds an Australian visa of a class specified in Part 2; and
 - (c) the visa is valid at the time at which the person checks in for departure to New Zealand; and
 - (d) the person is seeking a New Zealand temporary visa that is current for no more than 3 months; and
 - (e) the purpose of the visit to New Zealand does not include medical consultation or treatment.

Schedule 2 item 9: inserted, on 3 November 2025, by regulation 7(2) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 2) 2025 (SL 2025/204).

- 10 People who are travelling from Australia to New Zealand on a passport issued by the People’s Republic of China, but only if—
- (a) the person concerned holds an Australian visa of a class specified in Part 2; and
 - (b) the visa is valid at the time at which the person checks in for departure to New Zealand; and
 - (c) the person is seeking a New Zealand temporary visa that is current for no more than 3 months; and
 - (d) the purpose of the visit to New Zealand does not include medical consultation or treatment.

Schedule 2 item 10: inserted, on 3 November 2025, by regulation 7(2) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 2) 2025 (SL 2025/204).

Part 2

Classes of Australian visa

Schedule 2 Part 2: inserted, on 3 November 2025, by regulation 7(3) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 2) 2025 (SL 2025/204).

Australian visa class	Subclass	Description
UR	160	Business owner (provisional)
UR	161	Senior executive (provisional)
UR	162	Investor (provisional)
UR	163	State/Territory-sponsored business owner (provisional)
UR	164	State/Territory-sponsored senior executive (provisional)
UR	165	State/Territory-sponsored investor (provisional)
UT	173	Contributory parent (temporary)
EB	188	Business innovation and investment (provisional)
TO	300	Prospective marriage
UF	309	Partner (provisional)
GA	400	Temporary work (short stay specialist)
UY	405	Investor retirement
GF	407	Training
TQ	410	Retirement
TZ	417	Working holiday
TK	445	Dependent child
UC	457	Business (long stay)
UP	461	New Zealand citizen family relationship
US	462	Work and holiday
VF	476	Skilled—recognised graduate
GK	482	Skills in demand
VC	485	Temporary graduate
SP	489	Skilled regional (provisional)
PS	491	Skilled work regional (provisional)

Australian visa class	Subclass	Description
PE	494	Skilled employer-sponsored regional (provisional)
TU	500	Student
TU	590	Student guardian
FA	600	Visitor
TV	651	eVisitor
UK	820	Partner (temporary)
GH	870	Sponsored parent
UU	884	Contributory aged parent

Schedule 2A
**People to whom temporary waiver to travel to New Zealand during
Cricket World Cup 2015 applies**

[Revoked]

rr 16(e), 18(1A)

Schedule 2A: revoked, on 6 April 2015, by regulation 12(2) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 3) 2014 (LI 2014/283).

Schedule 3

People deemed to hold visa and have been granted entry permission

rr 19(1), 25, 29(3)(a), 30(a), 31

Schedule 3 heading: amended, on 18 April 2014, by regulation 19 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2014 (LI 2014/79).

Class of person	Type of temporary entry class visa person deemed to hold	Period of stay in New Zealand permitted while holding deemed visa
<p>1 Cruise ship passengers travelling on board the ship if—</p> <p>(a) pratique has been granted to the ship (<i>see</i> section 107 of the Health Act 1956); and</p> <p>(b) the passengers—</p> <p>(i) have arrived in New Zealand; and</p> <p>(ii) hold an ETA or are exempted by regulation 23E(a) from the requirement to hold one</p>	Temporary visa	<p>Until the earlier of—</p> <p>(a) the day and time the ship is given clearance to leave its last port of entry in New Zealand for that voyage; and</p> <p>(b) the expiry of 28 days (calculated on and from the day the ship arrives at its first port of entry in New Zealand on that voyage)</p>
<p>2 Cruise ship crew travelling in the ordinary course of business of the ship if—</p> <p>(a) pratique has been granted to the ship (<i>see</i> section 107 of the Health Act 1956); and</p> <p>(b) the crew—</p> <p>(i) have arrived in New Zealand; and</p> <p>(ii) hold an ETA or are exempted by regulation 23E(a) from the requirement to hold one</p>	Temporary visa	<p>Until the earlier of—</p> <p>(a) the day and time the ship is given clearance to leave its last port of entry in New Zealand for that voyage; and</p> <p>(b) the expiry of 28 days (calculated on and from the day the ship arrives at its first port of entry in New Zealand on that voyage)</p>
<p>3 Cargo ship passengers travelling between any foreign port and New Zealand who—</p> <p>(a) have arrived in New Zealand; and</p> <p>(b) hold an ETA or are exempted by regulation 23E(a) from the requirement to hold one</p>	Temporary visa	<p>Until the earlier of—</p> <p>(a) the day and time the ship is given clearance to leave its last port of entry in New Zealand for that voyage; and</p> <p>(b) the expiry of 28 days (calculated on and from the day the ship arrives at its first port of entry in New Zealand on that voyage)</p>

	Class of person	Type of temporary entry class visa person deemed to hold	Period of stay in New Zealand permitted while holding deemed visa
4	<p>Cargo ship crew travelling in the ordinary course of business of the ship between any foreign port and New Zealand who—</p> <p>(a) have arrived in New Zealand; and</p> <p>(b) hold an ETA or are exempted by regulation 23E(a) from the requirement to hold one</p>	Temporary visa	<p>Until the earlier of—</p> <p>(a) the day and time the ship is given clearance to leave its last port of entry in New Zealand for that voyage; and</p> <p>(b) the expiry of 28 days (calculated on and from the day the ship arrives at its first port of entry in New Zealand on that voyage)</p>
5	<i>[Revoked]</i>		
6	<p>Crew on a foreign ship authorised by the Minister of Transport under section 198(2) of the Maritime Transport Act 1994 to carry coastal cargo (within the meaning of section 198(6) of that Act) who—</p> <p>(a) have arrived in New Zealand; and</p> <p>(b) hold an ETA or are exempted by regulation 23E(a) from the requirement to hold one</p>	Temporary visa	28 days (the first day being the day on which the ship first arrives in New Zealand)
7	<p>Aircraft crew of an aircraft on a flight between any other country or territory and New Zealand in the course of a scheduled international service who—</p> <p>(a) have arrived in New Zealand; and</p> <p>(b) hold an ETA, unless exempted under regulation 23E(a)</p>	Temporary visa	7 days (the first day being the day on which the aircraft first arrives in New Zealand)
8	Aircraft crew of a private or commercial aircraft on a flight between any other country or territory and New Zealand that is not in the course of a scheduled international service	Temporary visa	21 days (the first day being the day on which the aircraft first arrives in New Zealand)
9	<p>Members of a visiting force (including members of the civilian component of the visiting force) travelling to and arriving in New Zealand—</p> <p>(a) in the ordinary course of their duty or employment; and</p> <p>(b) on a military craft</p>	Temporary visa	<p>Until the earlier of—</p> <p>(a) the day that the holder ceases to be a member of the visiting force; and</p> <p>(b) the day that the holder's duty or employment in New Zealand finishes</p>

Class of person	Type of temporary entry class visa person deemed to hold	Period of stay in New Zealand permitted while holding deemed visa
10 Each crew member of a military craft who, in the ordinary course of his or her duty or employment, is transporting members of a visiting force (including members of the civilian component of the visiting force) to New Zealand	Temporary visa	Until the earlier of— (a) the day that the holder ceases to be a crew member of a military craft transporting a visiting force; and (b) the day that the holder's duty or employment in New Zealand finishes
11 Members of, or any person associated with, any scientific programme or expedition under the auspices of a Contracting Party to the Antarctic Treaty within the meaning of the Antarctica Act 1960, or any person to whom section 5 of that Act applies, who have entered the Ross Dependency from a foreign country	Temporary visa	Duration of visit in Ross Dependency
12 Members of, or any person associated with, any scientific programme or expedition under the auspices of a Contracting Party to the Antarctic Treaty within the meaning of the Antarctica Act 1960, or any person to whom section 5 of that Act applies, who— (a) have entered the Ross Dependency from a foreign country; and (b) subsequently travel to another area of New Zealand	Temporary visa	3 months from the day of arrival in New Zealand territory other than the Ross Dependency
13 Guests of the Government granted a visa waiver to travel to New Zealand by special direction	Temporary visa	3 months (the first day being the day of the person's arrival in New Zealand)

Schedule 3: amended, on 1 October 2019, by regulation 13(5) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2019 (LI 2019/132).

Schedule 3 item 1: replaced, on 18 March 2020, by regulation 6 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2020 (LI 2020/40).

Schedule 3 item 2: replaced, on 18 March 2020, by regulation 6 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2020 (LI 2020/40).

Schedule 3 item 3: inserted, on 1 October 2019, by regulation 13(1) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2019 (LI 2019/132).

Schedule 3 item 3: amended, on 1 April 2025, by regulation 9(1) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 4) 2024 (SL 2024/196).

Schedule 3 item 4: inserted, on 1 October 2019, by regulation 13(1) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2019 (LI 2019/132).

Schedule 3 item 4: amended, on 1 April 2025, by regulation 9(2) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 4) 2024 (SL 2024/196).

Schedule 3 item 5: revoked, on 9 November 2020, by regulation 8 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment (COVID-19—Applications and Fees) Regulations (No 2) 2020 (LI 2020/277).

Schedule 3 item 6: amended, on 1 April 2025, by regulation 9(3) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 4) 2024 (SL 2024/196).

Schedule 3 item 7: replaced, on 8 May 2017, by regulation 9 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2017 (LI 2017/52).

Schedule 3 item 7: amended, on 1 October 2019, by regulation 13(2) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2019 (LI 2019/132).

Schedule 3 item 8: inserted, on 8 May 2017, by regulation 9 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2017 (LI 2017/52).

Schedule 3 item 8: amended, on 1 October 2019, by regulation 13(3) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2019 (LI 2019/132).

Schedule 3 item 9: replaced, at 2 am on 29 November 2010, by regulation 34 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2010 (SR 2010/382).

Schedule 3 item 9: amended, on 1 October 2019, by regulation 13(4) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2019 (LI 2019/132).

Schedule 3 item 10: inserted, at 2 am on 29 November 2010, by regulation 34 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2010 (SR 2010/382).

Schedule 3 item 10: amended, on 1 October 2019, by regulation 13(4) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2019 (LI 2019/132).

Schedule 4

Fees

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Schedule 4: replaced, on 1 October 2024, by regulation 7 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 2) 2024 (SL 2024/181).

Regulation under which fee prescribed	Matter for which fee prescribed	Fee (NZ\$)		
		New Zealand	Pacific	Rest of world
<i>Residence class visa</i>				
5(1) and (2)(e)(i), 23AA(1) and (5)(i), or 23A(1)(a) and (4)(i), as applicable	Residence class visa application—Skilled Migrant Category	2,880	1,860	2,880
5(1) and (2)(e)(i)	Residence class visa application—Active Investor Plus Category	12,070	6,190	12,070
5(1) and (2)(e)(i)	Residence class visa application— Entrepreneur Residence Category	11,320	5,610	11,320
5(1) and (2)(e)(i)	Residence class visa application— Business Investor Category	11,320	5,610	11,320
5(1) and (2)(e)(i)	Residence class visa application— Residence from Work Category	2,920	-	-
5(1) and (2)(e)(i)	Residence class visa application—Family Category: Dependent Child	1,830	1,360	1,830
5(1) and (2)(e)(i)	Residence class visa application—Family Category: any other category	1,940	1,390	1,940
5(1) and (2)(e)(i)	Residence class visa application—Parent Retirement Category	9,430	5,140	9,430
5(1) and (2)(e)(i)	Residence class visa application— Samoan Quota scheme	820	800	-
5(1) and (2)(e)(i)	Residence class visa application—Pacific Access Category	1,300	1,280	-
5(1) and (2)(e)(i)	Residence class visa application—2021 Resident Visa	1,330	1,330	1,330
5(1) and (2)(e)(i)	Residence class visa application—any other residence category	1,940	1,390	1,940
<i>Residence class visa—application by holder or former holder of resident visa</i>				
6(1)(a) and (2)(d)(iiia)	Permanent resident visa application by person holding resident visa	315	260	315
6(1)(b) and (2)(d)(iiia)	Permanent resident visa application by person who previously held resident visa	315	260	315
6(1)(c) and (2)(d)(iiia)	Resident visa application by person who previously held resident visa	275	250	275
6(1)(d) and (2)(d)(iiia)	Variation of travel conditions of visa by person holding resident visa	320	260	320

Regulation under which fee prescribed	Matter for which fee prescribed	Fee (NZ\$)		
		New Zealand	Pacific	Rest of world
<i>Residence class visa—related matters</i>				
9(b)	Notification of expression of interest in applying for residence class visa—Parent Category (hard copy)	575	555	575
9(b)	Notification of expression of interest in applying for residence class visa—Parent Category (online)	450	435	450
9(b)	Notification of expression of interest in applying for residence class visa—Pacific Access Category (first year of notification)	89	86	89
9(b)	Notification of expression of interest in applying for residence class visa—Pacific Access Category (subsequent year of notification)	89	49	89
<i>Temporary visa—visitor visa</i>				
10(1) and (2)(f)(i)	Temporary visa application—visitor visa	300	175	300
10(1) and (2)(f)(i)	Temporary visa application—Retirement Category visitor visa	7,750	4,720	7,750
10(1) and (2)(f)(i)	Temporary visa application—group visitor visa per person (made offshore only): approved destination status (China)	-	-	55
10(1) and (2)(f)(i)	Temporary visa application—group visitor visa per person: other	86	63	86
10(1) and (2)(f)(i)	Temporary visa application—Parent Boost visitor visa	1,940	1,390	1,940
<i>Temporary visa—student visa</i>				
10(1) and (2)(f)(i)	Temporary visa application—student visa	485	270	485
<i>Temporary visa—work visa</i>				
10(1) and (2)(f)(i)	Temporary visa application—work visa under Work to Residence	570	570	570
10(1) and (2)(f)(i)	Temporary visa application—partnership work visa under family stream immigration instructions	570	570	570
10(1) and (2)(f)(i)	Temporary visa application—Entrepreneur Work Visa	11,320	5,190	11,320
10(1) and (2)(f)(i)	Temporary visa application—Business Investor work visa	11,320	5,190	11,320
10(1)(a), 23AA(1) and 5(i)	Temporary visa application—work visa under working holiday scheme	215	-	215
10(1)(a), 23AA(1) and 5(i)	Temporary visa application—work visa under working holidaymaker extension	245	-	245

Regulation under which fee prescribed	Matter for which fee prescribed	Fee (NZ\$)		
		New Zealand	Pacific	Rest of world
10(1)(a), 23AA(1) and 5(i)	Temporary visa application—post-study work visa	320	270	320
10(1)(a), 23AA(1) and 5(i)	Temporary visa application—work visa under Accredited Employer immigration instructions	480	480	480
10(1)(a), 23AA(1) and 5(i)	Temporary visa application—work visa under any other category of immigration instruction	295	250	295
<i>Temporary visa—related matters</i>				
14(1)(c)(iii)	Application for reconsideration of decision to decline further temporary visa	220	-	-
<i>Limited visa</i>				
10(1) and (2)(f)(i)	Temporary entry class visa application— limited visa: limited student visa	485	270	485
10(1) and (2)(f)(i)	Temporary entry class visa application— limited visa: limited visa for recognised seasonal employer	325	285	325
10(1) and (2)(f)(i)	Temporary entry class visa application— limited visa: any other category	325	195	325
<i>Transit visa</i>				
15(1AA) and (1)(d)(iia)	Transit visa application	235	195	235
<i>Electronic travel authority (ETA)</i>				
23I(1)(c)	Request for traveller ETA or transit ETA made on internet site	23	23	23
23I(1)(c)	Request for traveller ETA or transit ETA made using software application on mobile device	17	17	17
23I(1)(c)	Request for crew ETA	17	17	17
<i>Other matters—applications or requests by employers and organisations</i>				
26AA(da)	Request under immigration instructions by employer for approval in principle to recruit overseas workers under foreign crew of fishing vessels instructions	6,610	-	-
26AA(e)	Request under immigration instructions for supplementary seasonal employment approval in principle	335	-	-
26AA(ia)	Entertainment industry accreditation (under specific purpose or events immigration instructions)—first year of accreditation	2,310	-	-
26AA(ia)	Entertainment industry accreditation (under specific purpose or events immigration instructions)—subsequent year of accreditation	650	-	-
26AA(j)	Request for recognised seasonal employer status	1,040	-	-

Regulation under which fee prescribed	Matter for which fee prescribed	Fee (NZ\$)		
		New Zealand	Pacific	Rest of world
26AA(k)	Agreement to recruit under Recognised Seasonal Employer work immigration instructions	280	-	-
26AA(n)	Application for employer accreditation under Accredited Employer immigration instructions—standard	775	-	-
26AA(n)	Application for employer accreditation under Accredited Employer immigration instructions—upgrade from standard to high volume	505	-	-
26AA(n)	Application for employer accreditation under Accredited Employer immigration instructions—high volume	1,280	-	-
26AA(n)	Application for employer accreditation under Accredited Employer immigration instructions—triangular employment	4,060	-	-
26AA(o)	Request for reconsideration of application for employer accreditation under Accredited Employer immigration instructions	250	-	-
26AA(p)	Job check under Accredited Employer immigration instructions	735	-	-
26AA(q)	Request for reconsideration of job check under Accredited Employer immigration instructions	250	-	-
<i>Other matters—general</i>				
26AA(a)	Request for special direction	260	255	260
26AA(b)	Residence class visa granted under section 61 of Act	1,510	-	-
26AA(b)	Temporary entry class visa granted under section 61 of Act	640	-	-
26AA(c)	Application for variation of conditions imposed on any type of temporary entry class visa	325	240	325
26AA(d)	Check of compliance with conditions imposed on Parent Boost visitor visa	325	240	325
26AA(f)	Call-out fee where office is opened outside normal working hours in order to process immigration matter	375	365	375
32(1)(a) and (3)(d)	Confirmation of immigration status	225	170	225
32(1)(b) and (3)(d)	Transfer fee where visa stamp or label transferred from one passport or certificate of identity to another	225	170	225
33(1AA) and (1)(e)(ia)	First endorsement of New Zealand citizenship in foreign passport	225	185	225
33(1AA) and (2)(e)(ia)	Second or subsequent endorsement of New Zealand citizenship in foreign passport	225	140	225

Schedule 4: amended, on 24 November 2025, by regulation 5(1) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2025 (SL 2025/180).

Schedule 4: amended, on 24 November 2025, by regulation 5(3) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2025 (SL 2025/180).

Schedule 4: amended, on 27 October 2025, by regulation 8 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 2) 2025 (SL 2025/204).

Schedule 4: amended, on 29 September 2025, by regulation 5(2) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2025 (SL 2025/180).

Schedule 4: amended, on 29 September 2025, by regulation 5(4) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2025 (SL 2025/180).

Schedule 5

People exempt from paying prescribed fees, immigration levy, and IVL

rr 4C, 26AAB(1)(b)

Schedule 5: added, at 2 am on 29 November 2010, by regulation 36 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2010 (SR 2010/382).

Schedule 5 heading: replaced, on 7 December 2015, by regulation 24 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 3) 2015 (LI 2015/274).

Schedule 5 heading: amended, on 1 July 2019, by regulation 27(1) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2019 (LI 2019/132).

- 1 People who, for the time being, are accorded privileges and immunities under—
 - (a) the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations in accordance with the Diplomatic Privileges and Immunities Act 1968; or
 - (b) the Vienna Convention on Consular Relations in accordance with the Consular Privileges and Immunities Act 1971.
- 2 Officially recognised accompanying family of a person described in paragraph 1.
- 3 Officials of government entities travelling to New Zealand to conduct business with New Zealand Ministers of the Crown.
- 4 Officials of government entities travelling to New Zealand to conduct business with a Ministry or department of the New Zealand Government.
- 5 Holders of diplomatic or other official passports entering or transiting through New Zealand en route to, or when returning from, a diplomatic posting in a country other than New Zealand.
- 6 Officials of government entities entering or transiting through New Zealand en route to, or when returning from, a third country—
 - (a) where the purpose of the visit to the third country was or is to conduct official government-to-government business; and
 - (b) who are able to provide evidence to an immigration officer to support that purpose.
- 7 A holder of a diplomatic or other official passport entering or transiting through New Zealand for the purpose of assisting with the operations of the embassy or consulate (in New Zealand or elsewhere) for which the person holds the passport and on which he or she is travelling.
- 8 A person who is—
 - (a) a claimant; or

- (b) a refugee; or
- (c) a protected person.

Schedule 5 clause 8: inserted, on 5 November 2018, by regulation 8 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2018 (LI 2018/180).

- 9 A person who is applying for a visa under the Special Category for Victims of Family Violence immigration instructions.

Schedule 5 clause 9: inserted, on 1 July 2019, by regulation 27(2) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2019 (LI 2019/132).

Schedule 5 clause 9: amended, on 1 July 2021, by regulation 9(1) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2021 (LI 2021/155).

- 10 A person who is applying for a visa under the Migrant Exploitation Protection Visa immigration instructions.

Schedule 5 clause 10: inserted, on 1 July 2021, by regulation 9(2) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2021 (LI 2021/155).

- 11 A person who is applying for a visa on the basis of being the spouse, the partner, or a dependent child of a person who holds or is applying for a visa under the Migrant Exploitation Protection Visa immigration instructions.

Schedule 5 clause 11: inserted, on 1 July 2021, by regulation 9(2) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2021 (LI 2021/155).

- 12 A person who is applying for a 2021 Resident Visa and—

- (a) who was included as a dependent child of the applicant in any 1 of the following:
 - (i) a residence class visa application—Skilled Migrant Category made on or before 29 September 2021, but not determined on or before that date;
 - (ii) a residence class visa application—Residence from Work Category made on or before 29 September 2021, but not determined on or before that date;
 - (iii) an expression of interest in applying for a residence class visa—Skilled Migrant Category made on or before 29 September 2021, but not determined on or before that date; and
- (b) who, at the time of their application for the 2021 Resident Visa, is of or over the age of 25 years.

Schedule 5 clause 12: inserted, on 1 December 2021, by regulation 11 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment (COVID-19—Applications) Regulations (No 3) 2021 (SL 2021/377).

- 13 A person who is applying for a visa under the Refugee Family Support Category immigration instructions.

Schedule 5 clause 13: inserted, on 1 July 2022, by regulation 7 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 2) 2022 (SL 2022/203).

Schedule 6

Immigration levy

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Schedule 6: replaced, on 1 October 2024, by regulation 8 of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 2) 2022 (SL 2024/181).

Category of applicant	Levy (NZ\$)
Applicant for group visitor visa	85
Applicant for visitor visa	41
Applicant for Parent Boost visitor visa	1,060
Applicant for student visa	265
Applicant for Business Investor work visa	1,060
Applicant for work visa: working holiday scheme visa	455
Applicant for work visa: working holidaymaker extension	455
Applicant for work visa: post-study work visa	1,350
Applicant for work visa: any other category	1,060
Applicant for limited visa: limited student visa	265
Applicant for limited visa: any other category	80
Applicant for resident visa—Skilled Migrant Category	3,570
Applicant for resident visa—Active Investor Plus Category	15,400
Applicant for resident visa—Entrepreneur Residence Category	3,570
Applicant for resident visa—Business Investor Category	3,570
Applicant for resident visa—Residence from Work Category	3,570
Applicant for resident visa—Employees of Relocating Business Category	3,570
Applicant for resident visa—Family Category: Dependent Child	1,400
Applicant for resident visa—Family Category: any other category	3,420
Applicant for resident visa—Parent Retirement Category	3,420
Applicant for resident visa—2021 Resident Visa	830
Applicant for permanent resident visa—Family Category: Dependent Child	1,400
Applicant for permanent resident visa—Family Category: any other category	3,420
Applicant for permanent resident visa—Residence from Work Category	3,570

Schedule 6: amended, on 24 November 2025, by regulation 6(2) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2025 (SL 2025/180).

Schedule 6: amended, on 24 November 2025, by regulation 6(3) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2025 (SL 2025/180).

Schedule 6: amended, on 29 September 2025, by regulation 6(1) of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2025 (SL 2025/180).

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Notes

1 *General*

This is a consolidation of the Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Regulations 2010 that incorporates the amendments made to the legislation so that it shows the law as at its stated date.

2 *Legal status*

A consolidation is taken to correctly state, as at its stated date, the law enacted or made by the legislation consolidated and by the amendments. This presumption applies unless the contrary is shown.

Section 78 of the Legislation Act 2019 provides that this consolidation, published as an electronic version, is an official version. A printed version of legislation that is produced directly from this official electronic version is also an official version.

3 *Editorial and format changes*

The Parliamentary Counsel Office makes editorial and format changes to consolidations using the powers under subpart 2 of Part 3 of the Legislation Act 2019. See also PCO editorial conventions for consolidations.

4 *Amendments incorporated in this consolidation*

Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 2) 2025 (SL 2025/204)

Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2025 (SL 2025/180) (as amended by Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2025 Amendment Regulations 2025 (SL 2025/257))

Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 4) 2024 (SL 2024/196)

Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 3) 2024 (SL 2024/182)

Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 2) 2024 (SL 2024/181)

Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2024 (SL 2024/146)

Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 2) 2023 (SL 2023/191)

Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2023 (SL 2023/77)

Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 3) 2022 (SL 2022/234)

Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 2) 2022 (SL 2022/203)

Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2022 (SL 2022/100)

Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment (COVID-19—Applications) Regulations (No 3) 2021 (SL 2021/377)

Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2021 (LI 2021/155)

Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment (COVID-19—Applications and Fees) Regulations (No 2) 2020 (LI 2020/277)

Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment (COVID-19—Applications and Fees) Regulations 2020 (LI 2020/173)

Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2020 (LI 2020/40)

Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2019 (LI 2019/132)

Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2018 (LI 2018/180)

Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2017 (LI 2017/52)

Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2016 (LI 2016/237)

Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 3) 2015 (LI 2015/274)

Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 2) 2015 (LI 2015/230)

Immigration Amendment Act 2015 (2015 No 48): section 113

Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 3) 2014 (LI 2014/283)

Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 2) 2014 (LI 2014/176)

Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2014 (LI 2014/79)

Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 2) 2013 (SR 2013/229)

Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations 2013 (SR 2013/6)

Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 3) 2012 (SR 2012/117)

Immigration (Visa, Entry Permission, and Related Matters) Amendment Regulations (No 2) 2012 (SR 2012/107)

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