

## France Holiday Visa Requirements

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You can apply via our Online E-Visa Application form.

This country is a proud member of the Schengen agreement, facilitating seamless travel within the Schengen Area comprising 26 European countries. Schengen Area allows for borderless travel between 26 countries: Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Italy, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, and Switzerland. Spouses and children (under 21) of EU/EEA citizens may qualify for a visa fee waiver when travelling with or joining the EU/EEA family member, provided the necessary relationship documentation is presented. Visa policies are subject to change.

Visas Zone has launched an e-visa application portal through its website to help streamline certain visas. It is a user-friendly online visa portal process for many nationals, and the main objective is to save you time! The process consists of the applicant completing the online questionnaire and submitting it to us for processing! Visas Zone also provides payment on the applicant?s behalf and after completion, deliver your passport with visa to a home or office address! Submit the online form and the below documents to any of our offices for processing:

Valid Passport, validity 3 months after date of return. Older SA passports must sign the information page at the back. Passports require 2 valid, blank and consecutive pages (marked VISA). Visa pages are invalid if damaged or signed by stamps from other pages. Please note, visas cannot share the same page back to back.

Two color biometrical passport size photos.

Round trip flight reservation. If passenger is travelling to more than one Schengen country all internal means of transport (flight, train, bus, car rental, etc) MUST be provided. All flight reservations and internal transport must confirm passengers name.

Most recent 90 day bank statement (current/cheque/savings account) with the original ink bank stamp on each page (passengers name must reflect on the statement). If passenger is being sponsored by a third party individual, the sponsors most recent 90 day bank statement (current/cheque/savings account) with the original ink bank stamp on each page (sponsors name must reflect on the statement) must be submitted it addition to the passengers bank statements along with a signed letter confirming financial sponsorship and a copy of the sponsors ID. IF Sponsors bank account is a company/trust account the sponsor must provide the company/trust registration documents proving the sponsor is a member of the company/trust.

Hotel Reservations for the full stay in the Schengen state (if passenger is visiting more than one Schengen country accommodation for all Schengen countries MUST be provided). Hotel Reservations must confirm the passengers name as a guest, check in and out dates, address and contact details of the hotel. IF the passenger will visit a French Citizen/Temporary Resident the original attestation d'accueil along with a copy thereof must be provided with the hosts French passport/residence permit. IF the passenger is invited by someone who owns property in France but is not residing in France, the title deeds of the property and signed invitation letter permitting the passenger to make use of the property address, hosts contact details, dates the passenger will make use of the property and identifying the passenger as per his/her passport is required. IF the passenger owns property in France, the title deeds to the property MUST be provided.

Visiting Family in France - Proof of accommodation (Attestation d'accueil) is a French term that translates to "Certificate of Hosting" in English. It refers to a document issued by a host in France to support a visitor's visa application. This certificate confirms that the host is willing to accommodate and support the visitor during their stay in France.

Travel insurance - Visa letter (one-page document addressed to the embassy of France and confirming coverage for all Schengen states) only for Discovery Health, Regent, Momentum, Chartis, Absa, TIC, Axa, Ace, Oojah, Europaische Reiserversicherung, Wiener Versicherung. Ensure the following: It must contain the logo on the insurer and name of the applicant. The document must confirm the following information: name of insured person, policy number, amount covered for (at least 30 000 euros), duration of cover (should be for the entire holiday period overseas), coverage for the whole Schengen area/territory and the term repatriation MUST appear.

MINORS: Original and certified copy of the unabridged/full birth certificate (must confirm the name of both parents and the minor). It is preferred for both parents to present themselves in person on the day of the appointment to complete the parental authorization letter in the presence of a designated officer. However, in the case where the parent cannot be present s/he must provide an affidavit stamped by a commissioner of oath giving reasons of absence, granting permission for the minor to travel, dates the minor will be travelling and specifying who will be accompanying the minor on the trip. Along with a certified copy of both parents ID/Passport.

Employment Letter (Originally signed by a manager and on employer letterhead) confirming employment, monthly salary, leave approval and guarantee of Return to South Africa. IF SELF EMPLOYED passenger to provide the company registration documents on which the passengers name appears. IF the passenger operates as a SOLE TRADER then they need to provide SARS Registration document, an affidavit explaining their trade. IF RETIRED the passenger is to provide any documented proof of retirement (or copy of the SASSA Card, affidavits not accepted). IF STUDENT an ORIGINAL signed and stamped letter on the institution letterhead confirming the passenger is still a pupil/student currently registered and the school/college/university, confirmation of grade/study course and that the institution is aware of the passengers intent to travel.

Proof of Residence in South Africa e.g. Utility bill, copy of rental lease.

The processing time for EU visas can fluctuate without prior warning and remains volatile. Therefore, it's always best to double-check at the time of application to prevent disappointment. Do not confirm or pay for your air ticket until the visa is issued.

The French Consulate will only advise on collection if the application was successful. If the application is rejected, the visa fee is not refundable and the applicant will have to pay when re-applying.

Cost - Kindly contact the office for a detailed quotation.

Prices may vary.

Visas zone charge service fees.