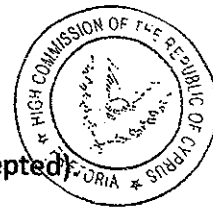


## Requirements for Obtaining a Visa for Cyprus



1. A valid passport for minimum of 6 months (temporary passports are not accepted). Passport holders of countries which require a visa please see the list attached.
2. Passport holders of the following countries Zimbabwe, Mozambique, Lesotho, Swaziland, Botswana, Namibia, Malawi, Comoros, Madagascar do not need to have permanent residence in South Africa to apply for a visa As the Cyprus High Commission is accredited to.
3. Application form fully completed and signed by the applicant (Parents or legal guardian in the case of minors) with 1 colour passport photo attached.
4. Provisional bookings or itinerary of travel arrangements. **Air tickets should not be purchased before the visa is obtained.**
5. Prior hotel reservation on a letterhead from a hotel in the Republic of Cyprus (showing the name of the applicant and the dates of the intended stay, **hotel vouchers are not accepted**)
6. If travelling on business, an official letter of invitation on a letterhead with registration number and contact details from the company in Cyprus must be presented.
7. Please note that there are no working visas issued at the High Commission
8. If visiting friends or family a letter of invitation from them with their full addresses, phone numbers and a copy of their Cypriot passport (EU passport) as well as the Assumption of Responsibility form, duly completed and signed by the host and to be Certified by the Mayor (KOINOTARXI) in the district they are residing.
9. If it is the first time travelling to the Republic of Cyprus, and applicant will be hosted by a Cypriot Family, the host must apply for a bank guarantee in Cyprus and furthermore the bank guarantee must be stamped by Immigration in Cyprus.
10. Original three months bank statement from a registered Bank. *Of APPLICANT*
11. An original letter (less than one month old) from the employer addressed with proof of the applicant wages /salary. If self-employed, a letter from the solicitor, the accountant or the bank manager of the applicant.
12. If applicant is a student an original letter from the school or university addressed to the Cyprus High Commission stating that applicant is registered at the institution and will be returning to their studies.
13. If the applicant is a minor (under 18), the parent or parents not travelling with the child/children must be present at the High Commission to sign a consent letter for the child to travel. Passport or ID Document must be presented.
14. Previous expired passports may be requested.
15. The High Commission may also ask for a non working declaration to be signed, this must be certified by a commissioner of oaths.
16. Please note that if there are any outstanding debts ( taxes, child maintenance, bank debts) incurred in Cyprus by the visa applicant, the Cyprus Authorities may arrest the responsible person at the legal point of entry or exit (Airport or Harbour)
17. Please note that applicants may be requested to personally attend an interview at the Cyprus High Commission Offices.