

South Africa Currently has no bans on International travel.

Please check here regularly and with your local service company for updates. Certain Countries might impose bans on travel to and from their Country.

- Negative PCR test not older than 72 hrs ٠ required prior to boarding
- Passenger Entry Health questionare
- Passenger Exit Health Questionare •
- Proof of accommodation required at port of • entry
- Covid Filming protocols to be strictly adhered • to
- Mask wearing in public is mandatory .
- Covid tracing app download is strongly • recommended
- Travel Insurance •
- Currently vaccination status not a requirement • for entry.

Useful links

List of South African missions & VFS centres abroad including contact details, payment methods etc.

Checklists for applications - We suggest that you print this specific to your application and take it with you to the embassy

- S11.1a Oversight from exempt countries
- S11.2 Visa applications Specialists & Oversight from non exempt countries
- S11.2 Under 18 applications Child cast .
- S11.1(b)(iv) Long term applications
- In proxy application permission letter
- DHA 84 Form
- DHA 1738 Form
- More useful information can be found here .

Useful definitions

Oversight Traveller Stay is 90 days or less All client, agency, International Production staff Director, DOP, Photographers VISA Type S11.1.a

Specialist Traveller

90 days or less or up to 3 years

All other staff not specifically

listed as Oversight. Includes

general crew & cast

Visa Types S11.2 or S11.1.b.4

VISA Exempt

The Traveller holds a passport

which allows him to go directly

to port of entry without the need

to obtain a visa from a South

African Mission.

VISA Non Exempt

The Traveller holds a passport

which requires him to first

obtain a visa from a South

African Mission prior to

entering South Africa.

S11.2

Visitors Visa with work

auhtorization valid for a

maximum of 90 days

or non exempt?

Click here to find out

Short Term Production

Passport holders from a select group of Visa Exempt countries allowed to enter SA as Oversight travellers with specific conditions, if their intended stay does not exceed 14 days. Check with your service company for specific conditions. Country list: UK, USA, Germany, France Sweden, Netherlands, Canada, Italy, Poland, Denmark, Belgium, Spain, Australia, Brazil, Norway, Ireland, Switzerland

S11.1.a Visitors Visa valid for a maximum of 90 days

S11.b.4 Visitors Visa with work authorization valid for a maximum of 3 years

Some Scenarios

- Oversight + Visa Exempt + 90 days or less = No visa needed
- Oversight + Visa non exempt + 90 days or less = Visa needed
- Specialist + Visa exempt + 90 days or less = S11.2 required
- Specialist + Visa non exempt + 90 days or less = S11.2Required
- 14 days or less + specific visa exempt countries = short term production = no visa required.
- Any stay longer than 90 days = Specialist = S11.1.b.4 required



Travel Information for Inbound International Productions – South Africa

Note: The contents of this document only applies to productions which are being serviced by a South African Company, which is registered with, and which has received letters of authorization from FIVA

The information contained in this document is correct as at 1 December 2021, please check with your local service company for regular updates.

Immigration Directive 2 of 2020 informs the contents of this document and the waivers offered to FIVA letter holders.



Quick FIVA Stats

- Nearly 50 000 travellers from 150 countries assisted.
- 2535 Commercial Productions.
- 2484 Stills Productions.
- 146 Feature Films.
- 226 Documentaries.
- 258 Television series.

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Requirements for travellers at a glance

Oversight Visa Exempt

No embassy visit

- Stay is 90 days or less
- PCR Neg test in English not older than 72 hours before departure from home country
- Proof of accommodation
- Proof of travel insurance including covid related incidents
- Health questionnaire
- Covid app
- FIVA Letter
- Return Flight
- Passport with minimum 2 blank pages and no damage, valid for a min of 30 after intended departure from SA.
- Yellow Fever if applicable.

Short Term Production

No embassy visit

- Specific Visa Exempt Countries only
- Stay must be 14 days or less
 Must be contracted to a specific production
- May not apply for an extension
- PCR Neg test in English not older than 72 hours before departure from home country
- Proof of accommodation
- Proof of travel insurance including covid related incidents
- Health questionnaire
- Covid app
- FIVA Letter
- Return Flight
- Passport with minimum 2 blank pages and no damage, valid for a min of 30 after intended departure from SA.
- Yellow Fever if applicable.

Specialist more than 90 days up to 3 years

For Visa application – S11.1(b)(iv) Visitors visa with work Authorization exceeding 90 days but not 3 Years as per Directive 2 of 2020

- Passport No Damage, Min of 3 blank pages, valid for a minimum of 30 days after intended departure from SA.
- Passport Copy
 - Completed DHA1738 form, in black ink and in English
- 2 x Passport photographs
- FIVA Letter
- Copy of Yellow fever certificate please take original with to the application for verification
- Medical Form in English and Not older than 6 Months
- Radiology form in English and Not older than 6 Months
- Police clearance from every country that the applicant has stayed in for 12 or more
- consecutive months since s/he turned 18 in English and in original format, no digital or reprint copy will be accepted.
- Contract between the Applicant and SA company for the duration of stay in SA
- Applicable Fee
 - Proof of accommodation (Covid regulations)
 - Proof of Travel insurance covering covid incidents (Covid regulations)

For travel

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- Passport with visa in
- Proof of accommodation (Covid regulations)
 Proof of Travel insurance covering covid incidents (Covid regulations)
- Covid negative PCR test not older than 72hour from departure (start of your journey)
- Health Questionnaire:
- COVID Alert South Africa mobile app.

Minors - Visa non exempt & Exempt countries 90 Days

All requirements as for Specialists up to 90 days plus the additional below requirements

- Certified copy of Unabridged Birth certificate In English
- Certified copy of mother's passport
- Certified copy of father's passport
- Completed and solicited parental consent affidavit In English
- SA Labour permit if the minor is 14 or younger

Specialist up to 90 days

For Visa application – S11.2 Visitors visa with work Authorization as per Directive 2 of 2020

- Passport No Damage, Min of 3 blank pages, valid for a minimum of 30 days after intended departure from SA.
- Passport Copy
- Completed DHA84 form, in black ink and in English
- 2 x Passport photographs
- FIVA Letter
- Copy of Yellow fever certificate please take original with to the application for verification
- Proof of flights This must not be a confirmed flight.
- Applicable Fee
- Proof of accommodation (Covid regulations)
- Proof of Travel insurance covering covid incidents (Covid regulations)

For travel

- Passport with visa in
- Return Flight
- Proof of accommodation (Covid regulations)
- Proof of Travel insurance covering covid incidents (Covid regulations)
- Covid negative PCR test not older than 72hour from departure (start of your journey)
- Health Questionnaire
- COVID Alert South Africa mobile app.

For travel

- Passport with visa in
- Return Flight
- Certified copy of unabridged birth certificate In English
- Certified copy of Mother's passport
- Certified copy of Father's passport
- Completed and solicited parental consent affidavit in English
- Proof of accommodation (Covid regulations)
- Proof of Travel insurance covering covid incidents (Covid regulations)
- Covid negative PCR test not older than 72hour from departure (start of your journey)
- Health Questionnaire
- COVID Alert South Africa mobile app.