

GUIDE TO TOURIST VISA FOR BELARUS

a step by step guide on how to obtain a Belarusian tourist visa

VISA TYPES

Transit Visa - B

- valid for up to one year with a 48-hour stay per transit
- permits a single, double or multiple transit through the territory of Belarus
- requires confirmation of the destination country's visa (if needed)
 - additional documents (train, bus or plane tickets or accommodation booking confirmation) may be required

Short-Term Visa - C

- valid for up to 90 days
- permits a stay in Belarus of up to 90 days
- permits a single, double or multiple entry
- most suitable for tourist and private visits
 - visa for tourist purposes allows up to a 30 day stay in Belarus and permits only single or double entry
- also issued for business, study, religious or humanitarian purposes; participation in sport or cultural events; visiting burial places; journalism and employment

Long-Term Visa - D

- valid for up to one year
- permits a stay in Belarus of up to 90 days per year
- permits multiple entries
- issued for business, private, religious or humanitarian purposes; participation in sport or cultural events; visiting burial places; journalism and employment

DOCUMENTS

Application Form

- complete the [application form](#)
 - fill it out in English/Russian/Belarusian or in an official language of an embassy hosting country
- sign
 - the application form for a minor is signed by his or her legal representative

Passport

- or other valid travel document
- the document must:
 - have at least two blank pages
 - contain a photograph of the owner
 - be valid for at least 90 days following the owner's departure date

Photograph

- one photograph:
 - size 35x45 mm
 - full face (occupying 70-80 percent of the picture vertically)
 - against an even light background
 - high resolution
 - no older than 6 months

Medical Insurance

- medical insurance contract concluded with RUE "[Belgosstrakh](#)" or "[Beleximgarant](#)"
- or medical insurance contract concluded with any foreign insurance organization. The insurance must:
 - contain the name of a foreign insurance company; its location and telephone number; traveller's surname, first name, middle name
 - be valid on the territory of the Republic of Belarus
 - be valid for the period of a stay
 - provide the limit of indemnity not less than €10,000

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

Visa for tourist visits permits a single entry and a stay of up to **30 days**.

Visa for private visits permits a single, double or multiple entry and a stay of up to **90 days**.

For Tourist Visits

- [original visa support letter](#) of a Belarusian tourist company, a rural tourist business, a treatment center or a health improvement organization

For Private Visits

- an original invitation issued by the local Citizenship and Migration Department of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of the Republic of Belarus
- an original document, confirming the ownership of the real estate property in Belarus
- documents confirming the purpose of the visit, e.g. family, medical or judicial affairs such as:
 - an official confirmation of a serious illness or death of a close relative or spouse
 - a letter of visa support of a Belarusian healthcare institution or a contract for medical services with a Belarusian healthcare institution
 - a subpoena

APPLYING

Before applying always check with your embassy for specific information.

- locate an embassy
- submit the application documents and confirmation of a paid [consular fee](#)
 - the consular fee is nonrefundable
- the visa should be granted in 5 working days
 - in cases of urgency the visa may be granted within 2 working days
- note that a consular officer:
 - may request additional documents
 - may reduce the number of entries granted by the visa and the validity of the visa
 - is not obliged to indicate the reasons for visa denial

AIRPORT

Citizens of 80 countries can visit Belarus visa-free for up to 5 days provided they arrive and leave through the National Airport "Minsk".

- foreign citizens must have with them:
 - a passport or other valid travel document
 - financial means equal to at least €25 for each day of stay
 - medical insurance valid on the territory of the Republic of Belarus with the limit of indemnity not less than €10,000
- citizens of Vietnam, Haiti, Gambia, Honduras, India, China, Lebanon, Namibia, Samoa must in addition:
 - present a ticket proving they will leave Belarus within 5 days from the National Airport "Minsk"
 - have a valid multiple-entry visa issued by one of the EU or Schengen member states and a stamp in their passports indicating that they have visited the visa issuing state prior to their visit to Belarus
- note that this rule does not extend to persons:
 - arriving by flights from the Russian Federation, or who intend to fly to the Russian Federation through Belarus
 - paying official visits, i.e. diplomatic, official, special, and other passports equal to them are not covered

OBTAINING VISA AT THE AIRPORT

Foreign citizens arriving at the National Airport "Minsk", except with flights from the Russian Federation, may obtain the visa at the airport.

- the inviting organization/person should submit visa supporting documents no later than two business days before the foreigner's expected arrival date:
 - in person to the Consular office located in the 1/2 sector of the airport, ground floor, from 10:30 to 16:30, contact phone: +375 17 279 20 58
 - or by mail to the Foreign Admissions Division of the Consular Directorate of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, National Airport "Minsk", Minsk, 220054
- [visa fee](#) is paid by the foreigner in cash upon arrival, and it is normally higher than if paid at an embassy
- additionally, private or tourist visa applications may be also submitted to "Centrkurort" no later than four business days before the foreigner's expected arrival date, or one of the "Centrkurort's" regional offices no later than seven business days before the foreigner's expected arrival date:
 - Minsk, Peramozhcau Av. 19, apt. 30; contact phones: +375 17 226 91 00, +375 29 384 36 08
 - Babruisk, Karla Marksa St. 38, office 6; contact phones: +375 225 72 27 51, +375 225 72 27 52
 - Brest, Masherava Av. 17; contact phones: +375 162 22 11 11, +375 162 22 03 93
 - Gomel, Lenina Av. 6; contact phones: +375 232 70 00 65, +375 29 123 00 76
 - Grodna, Sotsialisticheskaya St. 14; contact phones: +375 152 74 45 45, +375 33 604 45 45
 - Mahileu, Pershamajaskaia St. 8; contact phones: +375 222 22 60 04, +375 29 108 45 66
 - Vorsha, Lenina St. 46; contact phones: +375 216 21 00 24, +375 29 170 09 25
 - Vitebsk, Zamkavaia St. 4; contact phones: +375 212 36 54 84, +375 212 37 06 64

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