



Mobility: Immigration alert

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Thailand

Changes to document requirements for Long-term Visa applications

Executive summary

The Immigration Bureau in Thailand recently implemented changes to the required documents for Long-Term Visa applications (initial and renewal) filed with the Chaengwattana and Samut Prakarn offices and the One Stop Service Center.

Key developments

The Immigration Division 1 (Chaengwattana) and Samut Prakarn offices announced that the following documents are no longer required from sponsoring companies when submitting Long-Term Visa applications: (1) a copy of form and receipt of Corporate Income Tax for the latest fiscal year (i.e., form P.N.D. 50); (2) a copy of form and receipt of the monthly Value Added Tax return (i.e., form P.P. 30) for the three months prior to the filing; and (3) a copy of form and receipt of the monthly social security contribution (i.e., form SPS 1-10) for the three months prior to the filing. In addition, the Chaengwattana office may request copies of the identity documents (i.e., copies of Thai identification cards, or passports and work permits in the case of foreign national) for all authorized directors whose names appear on the sponsor's Company Affidavit.

The Immigration Bureau at the One Stop Service Center for Visas and Work Permits (OSSC) now requires copies of form and receipt of the sponsor's Withholding Income Tax Return (i.e., form P.N.D 1) for the three months prior to filing the application (up from one month previously).

Impact on employers

Employers may ensure compliance with the new document requirements to minimize delays and disruptions to business continuity.

Key steps

EY will continue to monitor these developments. Should you have any questions, we encourage you to contact one of our immigration professionals.

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