

Mobility: Immigration alert

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Cambodia

New online application procedure for Type E Visa

Executive summary

Effective 6 January 2023, individuals who seek to apply for a Type E Visa can do so online. Previously, foreign nationals could only apply for the visa at a Cambodian embassy or consulate in their home country or country of residence or upon arrival in Cambodia.

Background

The Type E Visa is a single-entry visa that enables its holder to conduct business and work activities in Cambodia (including situations where the visa holder is self-employed). Visa holders can be placed on the payroll of a host company in Cambodia or remain on the payroll of a sending company abroad. The visa is issued with an initial validity period of three months, and holders can stay in Cambodia for 30 days during the validity period, starting from the day they arrive in Cambodia. Nationals of all countries are eligible to apply for the Type E Visa.

Key developments

Effective 6 January 2023, the Cambodian government introduced an online portal that allows individuals to apply for Type E Visas online (as an alternative to applying at a consulate or on arrival). Applicants must complete an [online form](#), submit the documents below and pay a fee of USD 42:

- ▶ Passport with a validity of more than six months at the time of entry into Cambodia
- ▶ A recent passport-size photograph in digital format
- ▶ Invitation letter from the local company
- ▶ Proof of hotel reservation in Cambodia
- ▶ Proof of COVID-19 vaccination

In general, the Cambodian immigration authorities process Type E Visa applications within three days of the application being filed online and forward the visa to successful applicants via email. Applicants who are issued Type E Visas electronically must present the same to the border authorities upon arrival.

Impact on employers

The new online application system for the Type E Visa is expected to reduce the application processing times for individuals seeking to enter Cambodia for business and employment purposes.

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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