



TRAVEL INFORMATION FOR INBOUND INTERNATIONAL PRODUCTIONS SOUTH AFRICA

Note: The contents of this document only apply 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 of 1 May 2023, 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 64000 travelers from 148 countries assisted.
- 3107 Commercial Productions
- 2874 Stills Productions.
- 178 Feature Films
- 369 Documentaries
- 403 Television Series

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USEFULL DEFINITIONS

<p>Oversight Traveller Stay is 90 days or less All client, agency, international production staff director, DOP, photographers VISA Type S11.1.a</p>	<p>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</p>
<p>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.</p> <p>Country list: UK, USA, Germany, France Sweden, Netherlands, Canada, Italy, Poland, Denmark, Belgium, Spain, Australia, Brazil, Norway, Ireland, Switzerland</p>	<p>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.</p> <p>VISA Non-Exempt The Traveller holds a passport which requires him/her to first obtain a visa from a South African Mission prior to entering South Africa.</p>

<p>S11.1.a Visitors Visa valid for a maximum of 90 days</p>	<p>S11.2 Visitors Visa with work authorization valid for a maximum of 90 days</p>
<p>S11.1.b.4 Visitors Visa with work authorization valid for a maximum of 3 years</p>	<p>Is my Passport Visa exempt or non exempt? Check on our website for details</p>

SOUTH AFRICA CURRENTLY HAS NO BANS ON INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL.

Check with your local service company for updates. Certain countries might impose bans on travel to and from their country.

- Travel Insurance is recommended
- Currently vaccination status or covid testing is not a requirement for entry.



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
S11.2 Required

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

REQUIREMENTS FOR TRAVELLERS AT A GLANCE

OVERSIGHT VISA EXEMPT

No embassy visits

- Stay is 90 days or less
- 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.

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

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

Note: Requirements are different if unaccompanied or travelling with a guardian.

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 they 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

For travel

- Passport with visa in

Note: For every entry on this visa a new FIVA letter is required.

SHORT TERM PRODUCTION

No embassy visit

- Passport holders from 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
- 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 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

For travel

- Passport with visa in
- Return flight