

Gather your documents

Include as much information as possible to support your application. This includes English translations of your documents. We may decide your application without requesting further information from you. Follow these instructions to ensure you submit a complete visa application

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Provide accurate information

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See what happens if you [can't prove your identity or don't provide true information](#).

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Identity documents

Provide the pages of your current passport showing your photo, personal details and passport issue and expiry dates.

Also provide:

- a national identity card, if you have one
- proof of change of name, if applicable, such as:
 - a marriage or divorce certificate
 - change of name documents from an Australian Registry of Births, Deaths and Marriages, or the relevant overseas authority
 - documents that show other names you have been known by

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Genuine visitor documents

Provide as much proof as you can to show you are visiting Australia as a temporary visitor only. This could include:

- proof you have enough money for your stay and to leave Australia, such as:
 - itemised personal bank statements for a 3 month period
 - pay slips
 - audited accounts
 - tax records
 - term deposits
 - credit card statements
- a letter from your relative or friend in Australia, inviting you to visit. The letter could state:
 - their relationship to you
 - the purpose of your visit and length of stay
 - if you will be staying with them
 - If this person will be paying for your stay, provide proof of their funds.
- your plans while in Australia
- proof that you have reasons to return home such as:
 - a letter from your employer stating you plan to return to your job
 - proof that you study at a school, college or university in your home country
 - proof that you have immediate family members in your home country
 - proof that you can return home
 - proof that you own a house or other major assets in your home country

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Character documents

Provide any military service record or discharge papers, if applicable.

We may ask you to provide a [police certificate](#).

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Additional documents for applicants under 18

If you are under the age of 18, you should provide a copy of your birth certificate showing the names of both parents. If you can't provide a birth certificate, provide one of the following:

- identification pages of a family book showing the names of both parents
- identification pages of an identification document issued by the government
- identification pages of a court-issued document that proves your identity
- identification pages of a family census register

If somebody other than your biological parents has legal guardianship over you (for example, adoptive parents or a court-appointed guardian), you must provide proof of their legal guardianship.

Provide adoption papers or parental court orders, if applicable.

Anyone with a legal right to decide where you live, and who is not travelling in Australia with you, must complete either:

- [Form 1229 - Consent form to grant an Australian visa to a child under the age of 18 years \(240KB PDF\)](#)
- a statutory declaration giving their consent for the child to visit Australia on this visa

Include a document with the signature and photo of the person who completed, or declaration, such as a:

- passport
- driver's licence

In addition to consent information, if you're not staying with a relative or legal guardian, provide [Form 1257 - Undertaking declaration \(211KB PDF\)](#). The person you're staying with must sign the form.

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Prepare your documents

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Translate

Have all non-English documents translated into English.

Translators in Australia must be accredited by the [National Accreditation Authority for Translators and Interpreters](#).

Translators outside Australia do not have to be accredited. But on each translation, they must include their:

- full name

- address and telephone number
- qualifications and experience in the language they are translating

These details must be in English.

You do not need to have any documents certified unless we ask you to.

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Scan or photograph

Scan or photograph all documents (English and non-English) in colour.

The scans and photos must be clear and legible.

If a document is more than one page, save it all as one file.