

## 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.

- 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
- proof you have enough money for your stay and to leave Australia, such as,
  - Itemised personal bank statements showing a 3 months 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. Your reasons to return home such as:

- a letter from your employer stating you plan to return to your job
- your study at a school, college or university in your home country
- you immediate family members in your home country
- you can return home
- you own a house or other major assets in your home country.
- Provide any military service record or discharge papers, if applicable. We may ask you to provide a police certificate

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 \(240KB PDF\) \(/form-listing/forms/1229.pdf\)](#)
- a statutory declaration giving their consent for you to visit Australia on this visa

Include a document with the signature and photo of the person who completed the form, 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 \(211KB PDF\) \(/form-listing/forms/1257.pdf\)](#). The person you're staying with must sign the form.