

Serbia Visa Guide

➤ **Airport Transit Visa (Visa A)**

Purpose

- Transit through the international transit area of a Serbian airport.
- Validity
- Transit only.

➤ **Processing Time**

- ✓ Approximately 7–15 working days.

➤ **Required Documents**

- ✓ Passport
- ✓ Visa Application Form
- ✓ Passport-size Photograph
- ✓ Proof of onward travel
- ✓ Visa for destination country (if applicable)

➤ **Short-Stay Visa (Visa C)**

Suitable For

- Tourism
- Business Meetings
- Family Visits
- Conferences
- Medical Treatment
- Short Training
- Stay Period
- Maximum 90 days within 180 days.

➤ **Documents Required**

- ✓ Passport
- ✓ Visa Application
- ✓ Passport Photograph
- ✓ Travel Insurance
- ✓ Flight Reservation
- ✓ Hotel Booking / Invitation Letter

- ✓ Financial Proof
- ✓ Processing Time
- ✓ Usually 7–15 working days.

➤ **Long-Stay Visa (Visa D)**

Suitable For

- Employment
- Study
- Business
- Scientific Research
- Family Reunification

➤ **Validity**

- ✓ Generally 90–180 days.

➤ **Required Documents**

- ✓ Passport
- ✓ Employment Contract / Invitation
- ✓ Accommodation
- ✓ Financial Proof
- ✓ Health Insurance
- ✓ Police Clearance (where required)

❖ **Processing Time**

- ✓ Approximately 15–30 working days.

➤ **Temporary Residence Permit**

Suitable For

- Employment
- Business
- Study
- Family Reunification
- Scientific Research
- Validity
- Generally issued for up to 3 years, depending on the legal basis.

❖ **Processing Time**

- ✓ Approximately 30–60 days.

➤ **Employment in Serbia**

- Foreign nationals wishing to work in Serbia generally require:
- Valid Job Offer
- Employer Sponsorship
- Residence Authorization
- Work Authorization (or the applicable combined permit under current regulations)

➤ **Typical Process**

- ✓ Employer issues a job offer.
- ✓ Employment agreement is prepared.
- ✓ Candidate applies for the required visa or residence authorization.
- ✓ Residence/work authorization is approved.
- ✓ Candidate travels to Serbia.
- ✓ Residence registration.
- ✓ Employment begins.

➤ **Student Residence**

- Students admitted to recognized Serbian educational institutions may apply for:
- Visa D (if applicable)
- Temporary Residence Permit
- Required Documents
- Admission Letter
- Passport
- Financial Proof
- Accommodation
- Medical Insurance

➤ **Family Reunification**

- Eligible family members may obtain residence based on:
- Marriage
- Children
- Parents (where legally permitted)
- Documents Required
- Marriage Certificate

- Birth Certificate
- Sponsor's Residence Documents
- Financial Support
- Accommodation Proof

➤ **Recruitment Process**

- Step 1
Employer submits manpower requirement.
- Step 2
Recruitment agency sources candidates.
- Step 3
CV Screening.
- Step 4
Employer Interview.
- Step 5
Candidate Selection.
- Step 6
Employment Contract.
- Step 7
Visa / Residence Application.
- Step 8
Government Processing.
- Step 9
Travel to Serbia.
- Step 10
Residence Registration.
- Step 11
Employment Commencement.

➤ **Employer Responsibilities**

- Employers should:
- Be legally registered in Serbia.
- Issue a genuine employment contract.
- Comply with Serbian labour legislation.
- Register foreign workers where required.
- Meet tax and social security obligations.

➤ Documents Required (Employment)

- Typically include:
- Passport
- Passport-size Photographs
- Employment Contract
- Educational Certificates
- Experience Certificates
- Police Clearance (if applicable)
- Health Insurance
- Accommodation Details
- Completed Visa/Residence Application

Common Reasons for Visa Refusal

- Incomplete Documentation
- Insufficient Financial Resources
- Invalid Employment Contract
- Missing Supporting Documents
- Security Concerns
- False Information
- Lack of Accommodation Proof
- Failure to Meet Immigration Requirements

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<https://www.mfa.gov.rs>

Visa Information

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