

Slovakia Visa Guide

➤ Schengen Visa (Type C)

Purpose

- Tourism
- Business meetings
- Family visits
- Conferences
- Short training
- Medical visits

➤ Stay Period

- ✓ Maximum **90 days within any rolling 180-day period.**

➤ Required Documents

- Passport
- Visa application
- Passport photographs
- Travel insurance
- Flight itinerary
- Hotel booking or invitation
- Proof of financial means
- Employment or business documents

❖ Processing Time

- ✓ Usually **around 15 calendar days**, although additional checks can extend processing.

➤ National Visa (Type D)

Suitable For

- Employment

- Study
- Research
- Family reunification
- Long-term residence

➤ **Validity**

- ✓ **Up to 365 days.**

➤ **Typical Documents**

- Passport
- Employment Contract / University Admission
- Accommodation Proof
- Financial Means
- Medical Insurance
- Criminal Record Certificate (where applicable)

❖ **Processing Time**

- ✓ **Generally 15–30 days, depending on the application and consulate.**

➤ **Temporary Residence Permit**

Suitable For

- Employment
- Business
- Family Reunification
- Study
- Research
- Validity
- Generally issued for 1–5 years, depending on the residence purpose.

➤ **Processing Time**

- ✓ **Approximately 90 days**

➤ **Work Permit & Employment**

For most non-EU nationals, the process generally involves:

- Employer identifies a vacancy.
- Labour market requirements are assessed (where applicable).
- Employer issues an employment contract.
- Candidate applies for a Temporary Residence Permit for employment or a National Visa, depending on the case.
- Residence decision issued.
- Candidate travels to Slovakia.
- Residence card issued after arrival.
- Employment begins.

➤ **EU Blue Card**

- Designed for Highly Qualified Professionals.
- Suitable for:
 - Engineers
 - IT Professionals
 - Doctors
 - Researchers
 - Scientists
 - Senior Specialists

➤ **Benefits**

- Long-term residence
- Family reunification
- Mobility within the EU under applicable rules
- Pathway toward long-term residence (subject to legal requirements)

➤ **Student Residence**

Students admitted to accredited Slovak educational institutions may apply for:

- National Visa (if required)
- Temporary Residence for Study
- Required Documents
- Admission Letter

- Passport
- Financial Proof
- Accommodation Confirmation
- Medical Insurance

➤ **Family Reunification**

- Eligible family members can apply for residence based on:
- Marriage
- Children
- Parents (where legally permitted)
- Documents Required
- Marriage Certificate
- Birth Certificate
- Sponsor's Residence Documents
- Accommodation
- Financial Support

➤ **Recruitment Process (Employment)**

- Step 1
Employer submits manpower requirement.
- Step 2
Recruitment Agency sources candidates.
- Step 3
CV Screening.
- Step 4
Candidate Interviews.
- Step 5
Employer Selection.
- Step 6
Employment Contract Issued.
- Step 7
Residence/Visa Application.
- Step 8

Immigration Approval.

➤ Step 9

Travel to Slovakia.

➤ Step 10

Residence Registration.

➤ Step 11

Employment Commencement.

➤ **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

Documents Required (Employment)

Generally include:

- Passport
- Passport Photographs
- Employment Contract
- Educational Certificates
- Experience Certificates
- Police Clearance Certificate (if required)
- Medical Insurance
- Accommodation Details
- Completed Residence/Visa Application

➤ **Government Immigration Portals**

- **Ministry of Interior of the Slovak Republic**

<https://www.minv.sk>

- **Foreign Police Information**

<https://www.minv.sk/?residence-of-an-foreigner>

- **Visa Information**

<https://www.mzv.sk/en/web/en/visa-and-services>

➤ **Official Government Websites**

- **Office for Foreigners (UdSC):** <https://www.gov.pl/web/udsc>
- **Ministry of Foreign Affairs – Visa Information:** <https://www.gov.pl/web/diplomacy/visas>
- **Polish Government Portal:** <https://www.gov.pl>