

German Visa Requirement – Business, Tourist, Visit, Transit

First-time travellers who have not been to any of the above mentioned countries will have to apply personally.

Please note that this Consulate General can only accept the visa applications of those residing in Maharashtra, Gujarat, Goa, Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Daman and Diu, if the main destination is Germany

- 1. Passport**
- 2. Visa Application Form**
- 3. Photos**
 - Photos have to meet the following requirements:
 - Only photos of a very high quality can be accepted
 - Photos should not have any stapler pin marks disfiguring the face or the background
 - Size of the photo 35 mm X 45 mm
 - Proportion of the head in the photo must be 70 - 80 % of the complete photo
 - Photos should have a light background
- 4. Overseas Medical Insurance**
 - Minimum coverage of 30.000.- Euro per person
- 5. Personal latest bank statement for 6 months**
- 6. Personal IT papers for 3 years**

For business purposes, please submit in addition to the minimum requirements:

- A letter from the applicant's company, specifying the applicant's designation and exact purpose of travel, including an itinerary within the Schengen States;
- A letter of invitation from the business partner in Germany, which should also be faxed directly to the Consulate

Only for first time travellers:

- Form 16 of the last 3 years
- Appointment letter
- Form 1 of last 3 years (if the company is unknown to the Consulate General)

Please note that additional documents (such as tax challans, bank statements, salary slips, correspondence, company memorandum, partnership deeds, ownership records etc.) may be required

For visiting purposes (visit to relatives or friends) , please submit in addition to the minimum requirements:

- Letter from the applicant, explaining the purpose of stay on letterhead with complete personal address;
- A proof of financial status and/or a formal obligation (“Verpflichtungserklärung”), by a resident of Germany, issued by the competent Aliens’ Authority there.

Only for first time travellers:

- Form 16 of the last 3 years
- Appointment letter
- Form 1 of last 3 years (if employer is unknown to the Consulate General)

Please note that additional documents (such as tax challans, bank statements, salary slips, correspondence, company memorandum, partnership deeds, ownership records etc.) may be required

For tourist purposes (without visit to relatives or friends) , please submit in addition to the minimum requirements:

- Letter from the applicant, explaining the purpose of stay on letterhead with complete personal address;
- Proof of financial status
- A detailed itinerary with hotel bookings or an invitation letter by a resident of Germany.

Only for first time travellers:

- Form 16 of the last 3 years
- Appointment letter
- Form 1 of last 3 years (if employer is unknown to the Consulate General)

Please note that additional documents (such as tax challans, bank statements, salary slips, correspondence, company memorandum, partnership deeds, ownership records etc.) may be required

TRANSIT:

Please note that there are two different types of transit visa

1. AIRPORT TRANSIT VISA:

- Applicable for Indian nationals who are just transiting Germany and who will not leave the transit area of the airport

Indian nationals who are holder of:

- a residence title of a member state of the European Union (Visa or residence permit) or a member state of the European Economic Area (Liechtenstein) or,
- a permanent residence permit of Andorra, Japan, Canada, Monaco, San Marino, Switzerland or the USA
- a valid visa for the USA, Canada or Switzerland and being only in transit in Germany on their way to their final destination and on their way back to India without travelling via another country

do not require an airport transit visa for transiting the international area of German airports.

All other Indian transit travellers require a airport transit visa prior to departure to Germany.

The following documents need to be submitted:

- Valid passport (see above)
- One duly filled in and signed application form (see above)
- Two very recent passport size photographs (see above)
- Declaration of Genuineness of documents submitted (for download form see below)
- A valid visa for the country of final destination

2. TRANSIT VISA :

- Valid passport (see above)
- One duly filled in and signed application form (see above)
- Two very recent passport size photographs (see above)
- Proof of medical insurance for the entire duration of stay (see above).
- Declaration of Genuineness of documents submitted
- A valid visa for the country of final destination