## VISA FOR THE AUDIOVISUAL SECTOR FOR STAYS UP OVER 90 DAYS

**ESA CODE: FOR STAYS OVER 90 DAYS AND UP TO 180 DAYS**
**RSA CODE: FOR STAYS OVER 180 DAYS**

Intended for foreigners who travel to Spain for a period of over 90 days to carry out activities in the audiovisual sector in a broad sense (foreign artists, technicians and professionals who are going to carry out activities in the audiovisual sector, artistic activities before the public or intended for recording of any kind for dissemination by mass media, as well as their dependent family members or, in cases of underaged professionals, parents or legal guardians)

## REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

1. National visa application form, attached with a passport-type photo
2. **Passport** valid for at least 4 months.
3. **Power of attorney,** in the event that the request is not submitted by the applicant.
4. **If the applicant is not a Vietnamese citizen**, he/she must provide documentation proving his/her residence in Vietnam (temporary or permanent residence card)**.** In exceptional cases, the S.G. of Immigration Affairs may authorize the presentation of visa applications in a consular area other than the competent one based on the residence criterion.
5. **Document that proves the labor or professional relationship with the hiring or transferring company**: employment contract
6. **If the professional is under 18 years old: authorization in writing** of the parents or guardians in all cases. In addition, **when they are under 16 years of age**, an **authorization in writing from the corresponding labor authority** must also be presented.
7. **Documents of the hiring company in Spain:**
    a. Document proving that the professional is **part of a production project** in the audiovisual sector or artistic performance before the public or intended for recording for dissemination by mass media. Such document must state the duration of the planned activity.
    b. **Responsible declaration** of the hiring company in Spain guaranteeing that the payment of its obligations to Social Security and the Tax Agency is up to date
8. If the stay is **over 180 days**:
    a. **Residence permit** processed by the Unit for Large Companies and Strategic Groups and granted by the General Directorate of Migration of the Ministry of Employment and Social Security
    b. **Criminal record certificate** issued by the authorities of the country in which they have resided during the last 2 years since reaching the age of majority, in which there must be no convictions for crimes provided for in Spanish law. In the case of having resided in several countries, it is necessary to present the corresponding certificates issued by each of them. Besides, it is mandatory to present a **responsible statement** indicating

the absence of criminal records of the last 5 years.

c. **Proof of having the Foreigner Identity Number (N.I.E.)** If not, it is mandatory to apply for it before the visa application. More information on this procedure can be found **here**

9. **Public or private health insurance** for a minimum period of one month (Travel insurance is not accepted). **This requirement is only applicable for stays up to 180 days and when the contractual relation with the Spanish company does not imply the admission of the professional in the audiovisual sector in the Spanish social security system**. The coverage of the insurance plan must allow you to go to the doctor both for check-ups, as well as for illnesses or emergencies. The medical insurance must not have a waiting period or co-payment or coverage limit, that is, it must cover 100% of medical, hospital and out-patient expenses. The insurance company must be authorized to operate in Spain. A list of insurance companies authorized to operate in Spain is available in the following link: http://rrpp.dgsfp.mineco.es/**.**
10. If the applicant is a **family member of a professional in the audiovisual sector**:
    a. Document proving the relationship (marriage or birth certificate, wherever applicable). For the purposes of these visas, family members who may accompany or join the applicant are understood to be:
        i. Spouse or *de-facto* partner,
        ii. Children aged under 18
        iii. Children aged over 18 who, depending economically on the holder, have not constituted a family unit by themselves
        iv. Parents depending on the professionals in the audiovisual sector
    b. **Document accrediting the condition of being in charge of the** professional (if applicable).
11. **Proof of means of subsistence for maintenance during the stay:** it is necessary to prove availability of a minimum amount that allows the maintenance of the applicant and his/her family members during his/her temporary residence in Spain**:** this minimum amount is **100% IPREM/month** (IPREM - Multiple Effect Public Income Indicator) for the head of the family requesting the visa and **50% IPREM/month** (50% of IPREM - Multiple Effect Public Income Indicator) for the support of each of the dependent family members. For exact information on the quantity established for each year's IPREM, you are kindly requested to visit the following website:
    https://www.exteriores.gob.es/DocumentosAuxiliaresSC/Vietnam/HANOI%20%28E%29/IPREM.pdf
    *The economic resources may be justified through the employment contract or the supporting documentation of a professional relationship.*
12. **Visa fee:** number 14 of the TABLE OF CONSULAR FEES

## IMPORTANT NOTES

* This type of visa will not be applicable to citizens of the European Union and to those foreigners to whom European Union law is applicable because they are beneficiaries of the rights of free movement and residence (community family members).

**PHOTOCOPIES**. It is recalled that a photocopy of each original document will be presented. The photocopies will be made after the translations have been certified and/or the documents legalized.

**LEGALIZATION AND TRANSLATION**. Any public document issued by non-Spanish authorities must be previously legalized/Apostilled (https://www.exteriores.gob.es/Embajadas/hanoi/vi/ServiciosConsulares/Paginas/Consular/LEGALIZATION-(ENGLISH).aspx). Documents written in a language other than Spanish must be accompanied by their translation into this language, carried out by a notary or office whose translations are admitted by official bodies, which must be equally legalized and presented just in front of the copy of the original.

**LEGITIMATE SUBJECT**: The 14/2013 Law does not establish the obligation of personal appearance of the interested party, so that the beneficiaries of the same can request and collect their residence visa through a **duly accredited representative**. Applications for children under 18 shall be lodged by their legal representatives.

**WHERE TO LODGE THE VISA APPLICATION:** kindly visit the following link: https://www.exteriores.gob.es/Embajadas/hanoi/vi/ServiciosConsulares/Paginas/Consular/LUGAR-PRESENTACI%C3%93N-VISADO-%28EN%29.aspx

**APPOINTMENT SYSTEM:** Applicants must **book for an appointment** via the appointment system of BLS International Co. Ltd (https://vietnam.blsspainvisa.com/vietnamise/index.php)

**APPLICATION RECEIPT**: The applicant will be given a receipt of the application with a code allowing verification of the processing status of the application through the following link: https://sutramiteconsular.maec.es/Home.aspx

**REQUIREMENT OF ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS AND/OR INTERVIEW**. At any time during the processing of the file, this Embassy may require the presentation of additional documents to those already presented and/or the personal appearance of the applicant for an interview if deemed necessary.

**TIME FOR VISA APPLICATION PROCESSING AND RESOLUTION**: The legal period for reaching a decision is of 10 days as of the day after the application submission date, but this period may be extended if an interview or additional documents are requested.

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**COLLECTION OF PASSPORTS AND DOCUMENTS**: Applicants can directly, or through a duly authorized

party, receive visa results, within a maximum of one month from the date of receiving the notification of visa results.

**REFUSAL OF THE RESIDENCE AUTHORIZATION OR VISA**: Where appropriate, the refusal of the residence authorization or visa will always be notified in writing, stating the reasons on which the decision is based.

**APPLICATION FOR RECONSIDERATION / APPEAL**: In the event of a refusal to grant a residence permit for reasons of study in Spain or a refusal to issue a visa, the applicant can file an application for reconsideration before the Spanish Embassy within one month from the date of receipt of the notice from the Spanish Embassy. The applicant may also file an appeal before the High Court of Madrid within two months from the date of receipt of the notice of the refusal of the visa or of the dismissal of the application for reconsideration.

**VALIDITY OF THE VISA**:

- **For stays over 90 days and up to 180 days**: The visa must cover the entire stay of the interested party in Spain, so that, upon arrival, the visa holder will not have to process a Foreigner Identity Card. These visa holders (ESA code) must request the assignment of a Foreigner Identification Number (NIE) if they do not have one.
- **For stays over 180 days**: The duration of the visa will be adjusted to the duration of the residence authorization granted, and may not exceed, in any case, 365 days of validity. Upon arrival in Spain, the visa holder may process a Foreigner Identity Card. The company located in Spain must register the professional with the Social Security

**GENERAL INFORMATION ON NATIONAL VISAS** (download of national visa application form, fees, procedures, etc): kindly visit this link.