

The following is a guide to completing the China visa application. It is recommended you print the Application Guide to use as a reference when completing the application.

The application is a fillable PDF and all answers must be typed – hand written applications will not be accepted by the embassy or consulates.

All questions which are left blank MUST be completed with the answer "N/A".

Incomplete or inaccurate answers will result in rejection of application and delayed processing.

(NB. Applicants of Sri Lankan origin must additionally provide details of their ethnicity and religion. These should be handwritten on the application form, at the bottom of the first page.)

1.1 Full English Name as in Passport

Last name, middle name and first name as they appear in passport.

1.2 Name in Chinese

Must be completed by anyone of Chinese, Taiwanese, Hong Kong or Macau decent, otherwise "N/A". May not be completed by hand - must be digitally input.

1.3 Other Name(s)

Any previously or "also known as" last names, otherwise "N/A"

1.6 Current Nationality(ies)

Applicants current nationality (such as "GBR") or multiple nationalities if applicable (such as "GBR, USA").

1.7 Former Nationality(ies)

Any of Applicants fully renounced former nationalities, otherwise "N/A".

For applicants of Chinese, Taiwanese, Hong Kong or Macau decent, MUST enter "PR China".

1.9 Local ID/Citizenship Number

Only applicable to former Chinese nationals, otherwise "N/A".

1.10 Passport/Travel Document Type

Generally “Ordinary”.

1.17 Employer/School

Applicants current employer or school. Fit as much of the address as you can on a single line.

1.18 Home Address

Applicants current home address. Fit as much of the address as you can on up to three lines.

1.23 Major Family Members

Either co-habitants (husband, wife, children) or parents, other family members (living or deceased).

2.1 Major Purpose of Your Visit

Applicant may only select one option. Choose the option the best fits the purpose of travel. For instance, an applicant who will travel for business and sightseeing would select “Business & Trade”.

2.2 Intended Number of Entries

Keep in mind that Hong Kong, Japan, Macau, Singapore and Taiwan are not part of China and require separate entries. For instance, an applicant who fly’s from the UK to China, then takes a train to Hong Kong, a train back to mainland China and then back to the US will actually enter China twice (once from the UK, once from Hong Kong).

2.3 Are You Applying for Express Service

China offers either standard service or express services. If applicant is applying for a non-rush request which normally takes between 1 and 2 weeks to process, then select “No”. If applicant wishes to obtain faster services, select “Yes”. (Please note, express services are not available to applicants of all nationalities.)

2.6 Itinerary in China

List the date of entry into each city and full details of the corresponding hotel or residential address, plus host/inviting organization, where applicable. Details should include the name, address, area code and telephone number.

2.7 Who Will Pay for Your Travel and Expenses During Your Stay

For **tourist**, enter “self”.

For **visiting friends or relatives**, enter “self”.

For **business**, enter your employers name, for instance “ACME ltd”.

2.8 Information of Inviter in China

For **tourist**, enter “N/A” for all.

For **visiting friends or relatives**, enter friends or relatives details.

For **business**, enter the host company details (if visiting more than one, provide details for the first company being visited).

2.10 Other Countries or Territories You Visited in the Last 12 Months

Enter as much as possible (starting with most recent) but only what will fit in the box on three lines.

3.X Part 3: Other Information

Please note, if you can not answer “No” to questions 3.1 – 3.5, the visa request will likely be denied.

3.8 If Someone Else Travels and Shares the Same Passport With the Applicant

This section only applies to rare cases where a child or other dependent is not issued their own passport and the details on the person are added to the parent’s passport. This is a legacy format generally only utilized by former Russian countries. , otherwise “N/A”.

4 Part 4

This is the section the applicant signs – to the right of the red indicator arrow.

5 Part 5

This section may be completed if someone other than the applicant completed the application.