APPLICATION FOR A VISITOR'S VISA FOR ANY PERIOD NOT EXCEEDING THREE (3) YEARS

A visitor's visa may be issued for any period, which may not exceed three years, to a foreigner, who has satisfied the Director-General that he or she controls sufficient available financial resources and is engaged in the Republic of South Africa in –

- i. an academic sabbatical;
- ii. voluntary or charitable activities;
- iii. research; or
- iv. any other prescribed activity* (see note below).

PLEASE PRINT OUT THIS CHECKLIST AND SUBMIT IT WITH THE COMPLETE VISA APPLICATION!

The complete visa application must be submitted by the applicant **in person** (see http://www.suedafrika.org/downloads/Business_hours.doc).

	The following documentation must be submitted by each applicant. Please keep / submit the documentation in the order as listed below.	Mission
1	 Original machine readable passport Validity of no less than thirty (30) days after the foreigner's intended departure from the Republic of South Africa. Passports must have at least two (2) blank pages for endorsements. Non-machine readable / handwritten passports are not accepted / recognised. Original second passport, if the applicant holds one, shall also be presented. In the case of visa applicants who are not German citizens, proof of long term residence (Aufenthaltstitel) in Germany must be provided in the form of: a) the residence permit or original Chipkarte (and a photocopy); or b) in the case of EU citizens, the original 'Anmeldebescheinigung' (and a photocopy). 	
2	 Passport photocopies Of the passport page with the applicant's personal data / photograph. Of all previous visas for the Republic of South Africa in the passport. Of second passport, if the applicant holds another passport. 	
3	 One fully completed application form DHA-1738 Must be downloaded and printed: http://www.suedafrika.org/downloads/DHA-1738.pdf. All questions must be answered in English – questions that don't apply may be completed with 'n/a'. A 'fingerprint form' is not required to be completed by applicants. Applicants must provide an email address under Part 4 (may be written below telephone number). 'Contact person' under Part 4 refers to someone in Germany. 'Proposed date and place of departure for the Republic' under Part 5 means the date and place of departure from Germany. Full details of the intended duration of stay in, and intended date of departure from the Republic of South Africa must be completed under Part 5. Part 6 refers to available funds; details of the applicant's valid return air flight ticket or proof of reservation thereof must be completed. The question, 'Have you ever been refused entry into or deported from the Republic' under Part 7 must be completed with either 'yes' or 'no', and details provided, if the answer is 'yes'. 	
4	 One (1) biometric photograph Should be a recent photograph, not older than 6 months. Photographs must be taken and printed professionally – photographs printed at home would be rejected. 	

5 A statement or documentation confirming the purpose and duration of the visit

- The statement or documentation must be dated and signed.
- The starting and ending dates in the statement or documentation must correspond with the flight itinerary and information completed on the application form.

- In respect of **an academic sabbatical**, a signed and dated letter on the letterhead of the South African learning institution **and** from the applicant's employer / institution abroad (e.g. in Germany).
- In respect of **voluntary or charitable activities** (applicants must be over the age of 18), a signed and dated letter on the letterhead of the South African charity / non-profit organisation (NPO) confirming:
 - i. a brief overview of the South African organisation: its target group, aims, values, etc., and including the NPO registration number
 - ii. details of the starting and ending dates of the intended visit;
 - iii. a detailed explanation of the tasks / activities to be performed by the volunteer:
 - iv. the specific work schedule / program, including the times per week that the volunteer will be engaged in voluntary or charitable activities at the South African organisation;
 - v. details pertaining to the accommodation of the volunteer;
 - vi. a list of all the foreign volunteers currently at the South African organisation and a list of the new volunteers who will replace them, including the applicant;
 - vii. should the applicant be engaged in voluntary or charitable activities at an organisation other that the inviting organisation, written confirmation from such secondary organisation, including the above-mentioned specific details of tasks / activities and the daily and weekly schedule; and
 - viii. should the volunteer program be managed by a sending organisation in the applicant's home country, then details (nature and purpose) of such volunteer program shall be provided in English in the form of a signed and dated letter on the letterhead of the sending organisation.
- In respect of **research**:
 - i. a signed and dated letter on the letterhead of the South African learning or research institution; **and**
 - ii. from the applicant's employer / institution abroad (e.g. in Germany).
- In respect of an application by a person, who is the spouse or dependent child of
 the holder of a valid visitor's visa, study visa, treaty visa, business visa, medical
 treatment visa, relative's visa, work visa, retired person visa or exchange visa, a
 certified copy of such holder's visa and a written undertaking of financial
 responsibility for the applicant.
- In respect a **teacher at an international school**, a contract of employment signed by the employer and the applicant and a written undertaking of financial responsibility for the applicant.
- In respect of a person involved in the **production of a film or advertisement** in the Republic, documentation confirming such production and the duration thereof (see also: https://www.suedafrika.org/downloads/Authorisation film industry.doc).
- In respect of a **foreign journalist** seconded to the Republic by a foreign news agency, documentation confirming such secondment and the duration thereof.
- In respect of a visiting professor or lecturer, an invitation from the host learning institution in the Republic.
- In respect of **artists who wish to write**, **paint or sculpt**, documentation confirming the activity to be undertaken and the duration thereof.
- In respect of a person involved in the entertainment industry who would be travelling through the Republic to perform, confirmation thereof by the host in the Republic.
- In respect of a tour leader or host of a tour, a contract of employment signed by the employer and the applicant and a written undertaking of financial responsibility for the applicant.

6	 Shall be in the form of bank statements (Kontoauszüge) of a current account (Girokonto) reflecting all the transactions from the last three (3) months up until the week that the visa application is submitted – the amount (balance / Kontostand) shall not be less than the euro equivalent of R3000,00 at the current exchange rate. If original bank statements are submitted, they must be accompanied by photocopies – the original bank statements are not retained by our office and shall be returned to applicants. If online bank statements which are printed by the applicant at home or directly at the bank are submitted, they must be authenticated / stamped by the bank. In the case of the applicant's parents providing sufficient financial means, the following documentation from the parents must be submitted: a signed and dated letter in English to undertake financial responsibility for the applicant; certified copies of the parent's passport(s) / identity document(s); certified copy of the applicant's birth certificate (may be in German); the parents bank statements in the format as described above. Please note that the parents' salary advices are not accepted as proof of sufficient financial means. 	
8	Proof of a valid return or onward ticket or purchase thereof	
	 A photocopy of the flight itinerary / booking must be submitted. 	
	 In the case of a visit exceeding six (6) months, a changeable / valid return air ticket or proof of reservation would be accepted, even if the correct return date is not 	
	reflected on the air ticket / reservation.	
9	An <u>original</u> police clearance certificate	
	Must be issued by the police or security authority in each country where the	
	applicant resided for 12 months or longer after attaining the age of 18 years, in respect of criminal records or the character of that applicant.	
	Shall not be older than six months at the time of its submission.	
	In respect of the police clearance certificate for Germany, the 'normal' certificate	
	regarding the entries over the last 5 years, which is sent to the applicant's private	
	address, may be submitted.	
	 If there are no entries (Keine Eintragung) on a police clearance certificate for Germany, it does not have to be translated into English. 	
10	A medical report	
	The prescribed form BI-811 (see http://www.suedafrika.org/downloads/BI-	
	811_Medical_Certificate.pdf) must be used (downloaded and printed).	
	 The prescribed form BI-811 must be completed, signed, stamped and dated by a registered medical practitioner (e.g. Hausarzt, Internist) with regard to the 	
	applicant's general state of health, detailing any medical condition he or she suffers	
	from.	
	Shall not be older than six months at the time of its submission.	
11	A radiological report The proscribed form PL 806 (see http://www.suedefrike.org/downloads/PL	
	 The prescribed form BI-806 (see http://www.suedafrika.org/downloads/BI-806 Radiological Report.pdf) must be used (downloaded and printed). 	
	 The prescribed form BI-806 must be completed, signed, stamped and dated by a 	
	registered radiologist (Radiologe) certifying that the applicant has been examined	
	If it is unclear that the form was completed / the applicant was indeed examined (x-	
	rayed) by a registered radiologist, applicants are required to submit the radiological findings (radiologischer Befund / Auswertung) from his or her radiologist	
	If it is unclear that the form was completed / the applicant was indeed examined (x-	

12	In respect of dependent children accompanying the applicant or joining the applicant				
	in the Republic of South Africa, proof of parental responsibilities and rights or written				
	consent in the form of an affidavit from the other parent or legal guardian, as the case may				
	be (See also http://www.suedafrika.org/downloads/Admission_children.doc)				
13	In respect of a spouse accompanying the applicant or joining the applicant in the				
	Republic of South Africa, a copy of a marriage certificate or proof of a permanent				
	homosexual or heterosexual relationship (see				
	http://www.suedafrika.org/downloads/Permanent_spousal_relationship.doc)				
	 If a marriage certificate is not in English, it must be translated and certified as a 				
	correct translation by a sworn translator; alternatively, applicants who got married in				
	Germany may submit an 'international marriage certificate'.				
14	A yellow fever vaccination certificate				
	Only required, if the foreigner travelled or intends travelling from or transiting				
	through a yellow fever endemic area to the Republic of South Africa.				
	The certificate shall not be required where that person travelled or intends travelling				
	in direct transit through such an area.				
	(See also http://www.suedafrika.org/downloads/Yellow_fever.doc)				
15	Proof of payment of the applicable fee				
	 Payment of the application fee must be made through an electronic bank transfer 				
	(see http://www.suedafrika.org/downloads/Application_fee.doc).				
	 A copy of the transfer / deposit slip must be submitted as proof of payment. 				
	 Payment must be made at least five working (5) days before submitting the 				
	application.				
	Payment of the application fee may not be made in cash at the Embassy in Berlin				
	and Consulate-General in Munich!				
16	A DHL envelope (ExpressEasy Prepaid National)				
	The envelope is required to return the applicant's passport – applicants may not				
	collect passports in person after the application has been adjudicated.				
	 Only one (1) DHL envelope may be submitted in the case of a couple or family. 				
	The envelope is available for purchase at any post office (Deutsche Post) branch				
	(see http://www.dhl.de/de/express/filialservices.html#tabs-2).				
	 Applicants must complete their details (address and phone number) under Part 2 				
	(Empfänger) on the DHL envelope, which may be folded, if the visa application is				
	submitted by post.				
	 Applicants are also advised to keep a record of the tracking number. 				
FOI	FOR OFFICIAL USE (Not to be completed by the applicant)				
Applicant's name:					
	lication accepted				
Application not accepted					
	(Please send this checklist,				
if the application shall be re-submitted) Date: Ref.:					

Please note:

- * The prescribed activity contemplated in section 11(1)(b)(iv) of the Immigration Act, as amended, shall be work conducted for a foreign employer pursuant to a contract which partially requires conducting of certain activities in the Republic of South Africa and relates to
 - a) the spouse or dependent child of the holder of a valid visitor's visa, study visa, treaty visa, business visa, medical treatment visa, relative's visa, work visa, retired person visa or exchange visa:
 - b) teaching at an international school;
 - c) in respect of films and advertisements produced in South Africa, including, but not limited to, an actor, cameraman, hairstylist, make-up artist or lighting and sound engineer;
 - d) a foreign journalist seconded to the Republic by a foreign news agency;
 - e) a visiting professor or lecturer or an academic researcher;
 - f) an artist who wishes to write, paint or sculpt: Provided that he or she submits a portfolio of his or her previous work;
 - g) a person involved in the entertainment industry, travelling through the Republic to perform;
 - h) a tour leader or host of such a tour; or
 - i) a foreigner who is required to stay in the Republic in order to testify as a state witness in a criminal court case: Provided that in such a matter, the application shall be initiated by the relevant Deputy Director of Public Prosecutions.
- In terms of section 11(6) of the Immigration Act, as amended, a visitor's visa may be issued to a foreigner, who is the spouse of a South African citizen or permanent resident and who does not qualify for a study visa, treaty visa, business visa, medical treatment visa, work visa or exchange visa, provided that:
 - a) such visa shall only be valid while the good faith spousal relationship exists;
 - b) on application, the holder of such visa may be authorised to perform any of the activities provided for in the visas contemplated in sections 13 to 22 of the Immigration Act, as amended; and
 - c) the holder of such visa shall apply for permanent residence contemplated in section 26(b) of the Immigration Act as amended, within three (3) months from the date upon which he or she qualifies to be issued with that visa.
- A visitor's visa contemplated in terms of section 11(1)(b) of the Immigration Act, as amended, may not exceed three (3) years.
- The spouse and dependent children accompanying the main applicant may be issued with a visitor's visa exceeding 3 months (see http://www.suedafrika.org/downloads/Visitors_Permit.doc); however, dependent children of school-going age accompanying the main applicant must be issued with study visas (see http://www.suedafrika.org/downloads/Study_Permit.doc).
- Status / progress reports are not provided during the above-mentioned processing period.

 Furthermore, no 'express service' for processing visa applications is available complete applications are adjudicated on a First-In-First-Out basis.
- Our office may only accept / process complete visa applications it is the responsibility of the applicant
 to ensure that he or she submits a complete application. Applicants who submit incomplete
 applications risk their applications being refused!
- In the case of inconsistencies and / or incomplete information, our office reserves the right to request the applicant to submit additional documentation to substantiate the visa application.
- Documentation that accompanies the visa application shall be original or copies authenticated by the issuing authority of the country of origin and where necessary, translated into English and certified as a correct translation by a sworn translator (beeidigter Übersetzer) at the expense of the applicant.
- A visa issued at a foreign mission of the Republic of South Africa shall be affixed to the passport of the applicant and shall only be valid if an entry stamp has been affixed thereto at the port of entry and the date of such entry stamp shall be the effective date.