

Visa for India

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Link to the application form: <https://indianvisaonline.gov.in/visa/> → choose "REGULAR VISA"

The application form requires you to **select an "Indian Mission"**. If your residence address is in one of the following cantons: Geneva, Vaud, Valais or Neuchâtel, choose Geneva. Otherwise choose Bern.

Required documents

Tourist Visa	Details
Original passport	Valid 6 months beyond expected return date. 2 free pages
Online application form	https://indianvisaonline.gov.in/visa/ Print completed form and sign both pages. See additional instructions below
2 current passport photos	Format 5cm x 5cm. No scans
Flight reservation	
Non-Swiss: Residence permit	Permit G is not accepted

Business Visa	Details
Original passport	Valid 6 months beyond expected return date. 2 free pages
Online application form	https://indianvisaonline.gov.in/visa/ Print completed form and sign both pages. See additional instructions below
2 current passport photos	Format 5cm x 5cm. No scans
Flight reservation	
Business introduction letter	See additional information below
Invitation from Indian company	In English, copy ok. See additional information below
Non-Swiss: Residence permit	Permit G is not accepted

Additional information regarding checklist

The business introduction letter should be printed on company letterhead paper and signed in original. It should contain the applicant's status / designation in the company, nature of business in India and requested validity of visa and name and address of the Indian company to be visited.

Important: Both the business introduction letter and the invitation letter should be addressed to **the applicable embassy or consulate** (see above) and sent to CSW along with the application.

Additional information regarding application form

Fill in names and passport information without any errors. All names must be entered as they are shown in the passport. Enter the full address by “reference in India” and “reference in Switzerland”.

“Period of Visa” means the requested visa validity, **from the date of issue**.

Additional for Business: Declare your profession. If you choose “Businessperson”, add the job specification under “Designation / Rank”.

Processing time for visa issuance

Swiss citizens 1 week / Foreigners 1.5 weeks / No express procedure available.

Validity of visa

Visas are valid for the period that you choose in the application form. For Business 6 or 12 months from the date of issue for entry within this period. Once you enter India you may stay for 3 months per entry, but do not overstay the validity of the visa.