

To apply for a Transit Visa, particularly for seafarers or crew members, you will typically need to provide the following documents.

These requirements may vary slightly depending on the country you are transiting through, so it is always advisable to check with the vessel's management OR enquire at the nearest Port control:

Required Documents for a Transit Visa Application

Completed Visa Application Form:

A fully filled and signed application form specific to the country you are transiting through.

Valid Passport:

Your passport must be valid for at least six months beyond the intended date of travel and have at least two blank pages for visa stamps.

Recent Passport-Sized Photographs:

Two recent passport-sized photos that meet the specific requirements of the consulate (e.g., size, background colour, and facial coverage).

Seafarer's Employment Contract or Letter from the Employer:

An official contract or letter from your employer confirming your position as a crew member, the details of your employment, and the purpose of your travel.

Seafarer's Discharge Book:

A copy of your Seafarer's Discharge Book, which serves as proof of your employment and previous voyages.

Travel Itinerary:

A detailed itinerary of your journey, including flight bookings or reservations, showing your entry and exit from the transit country and your onward travel to your home country.

Proof of Accommodation:

If required, proof of accommodation during your stay in the transit country, such as hotel reservations or a letter of invitation if staying with someone.

Visa for the Final Destination (if applicable):

A valid visa or entry permit for your final destination, if required, to demonstrate that you will continue your journey beyond the transit country.

Proof of Financial Means:

Evidence that you have sufficient funds to cover your stay and travel expenses, such as bank statements, a letter of guarantee from your employer, or sponsorship details.

Health Insurance (if required):

Proof of valid travel health insurance that covers medical expenses in the transit country for the duration of your stay.

Cover Letter:

A cover letter explaining the purpose of your travel, the reason for transit, and details of your onward journey.

Additional Documentation (if required by specific countries):

Depending on the country, you may need to provide additional documents, such as a police clearance certificate, a yellow fever vaccination certificate, or other relevant documentation.

Important Notes

Processing Times:

- Processing times for Transit Visas can vary, so it is advisable to apply well in advance of your travel date.

Consulate-Specific Requirements:

- Requirements may differ slightly depending on the consulate or embassy, so always
- confirm the exact documentation needed for your specific situation.

Interview Requirements:

- Some countries may require an in-person interview as part of the application process.

By ensuring that all required documents are prepared and submitted correctly, you can help facilitate a smooth and timely visa application process.

