

JOURNALIST VISA

Journalists can apply for this visa which is valid for Islamabad, Lahore and Karachi.

Application Type

You can apply for two types of visas online :

First Time (New): You can apply for a new visa if you do not possess a valid Pakistan visa.

Extension: You can apply for a visa extension if you possess a valid Pakistan visa and you are residing in Pakistan.

Eligibility

- All Journalists are eligible to apply subject to approval.
- Consultation Feedback is required from Press Attaches and Link Offices of the respective media houses.

Required Documents

1. Photograph
 2. Passport
 3. Letter from Media Agency/Organization
 4. Recommendation from Ministry of information and Broadcasting/Press Attaché/Pak Mission abroad.
- You are required to upload **proof of legal residence**, in case you are not present in your home country and are applying for visa from a third country, it's a mandatory requirement! The document can be uploaded in the supporting document type: **Other**
 - **In case of extension** – Please upload **proof of Valid Pakistani Visa** for which you are seeking Extension and **Entry Stamp on your Passport** in the supporting document type: **Other**

Duration and Validity

For Accredited and Pakistan-based Media Houses:

Visa valid for the entire tenure of the assignment subject to approval.

For non-Pakistan based journalists:

Visa valid for 3 months or more, subject to approval.

In case of seeking extension, please make sure that you have a valid Pakistani visa and are residing in Pakistan.

Processing Time

Decisions on issuance of visa, its duration, number of entries or extensions are taken by the Government of Pakistan.

- **Entry for Accredited /Based (Short Term/Long Term) : 7-10 Days (Working Days)**
- **Entry For non-Pakistan based journalists – Individuals and Family (Up to 3 Months) : 7-10 Days (Working Days)**
- **Entry For non-Pakistan based journalists – Individuals and Family (Greater than 3 Months) : 4 Weeks (Working Days)**
- **Extension – Individual/Family : 4 Weeks (Working Days)**
- **4 Weeks (Working days – First Time Entry/Visa Extension) (For Afghanistan and Somalia Passport Holders)**

Visa Sub Category (Journalist)

1. Individual / family extension
2. Accredited / Base (Short Term and Long Term)
3. Individual / Family (Upto 3 months)
4. Individual/ family (greater than 3 months)