



Sri Lanka visa

Important information about the visa for Sri Lanka

All travellers to Sri Lanka are required to apply for a visa (ETA). The information below applies to the business visa, the tourist visa and the transfer visa.

Mandatory	Yes
Suited for	Tourism, business trips, transfers
Validity	30 days, can be extended (48 hours for transfers)
Normal delivery time	4 days on average
Urgent delivery	30 minutes on average
Cost	£79.95 per person (business: £89.95)
Payment methods	Visa, MasterCard, American Express, PayPal

You can easily apply online for a visa for Sri Lanka by means of a digital application form. Open the form by clicking on the button below or go to <https://e-visa.co.uk/sri-lanka>

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More information and the requirements of the Sri Lanka visa can be found on the following pages.

Who can use it The online visa, also called ETA or e-visa Sri Lanka, is suitable for tourists and business travellers. To be eligible for this visa, a number of requirements must be met and the maximum validity period cannot be exceeded. Read in this document which requirements and deadlines you need to take into account and how to apply for a visa for Sri Lanka.

Requirements

You can apply and use a Sri Lanka visa only if you meet the following requirements:

- Your passport is valid for at least six more months after arrival in Sri Lanka
- You can produce a ticket for your return flight on arrival in Sri Lanka
- You can prove that you have sufficient financial means to afford your stay
- You will not be employed by an organisation based in Sri Lanka
- You will not perform paid or unpaid voluntary work in Sri Lanka
- You will not take part in political or journalistic gatherings

Please note that you need to have a ticket for your onward or return flight upon arrival in Sri Lanka. However, it is not necessary to have already booked a ticket for the outward and/or return flight before applying for the Sri Lankan visa. You can also apply for a visa after booking your flight tickets.

Validity

The Sri Lanka visa is valid for 30 days. If you want to stay in Sri Lanka longer than 30 days, apply for an extension after arrival. You can do this at the Immigration Services Centre in Colombo. After this, you will be able to stay in Sri Lanka for an additional 60 days (90 days in total).

Passport validity

Please note that the Sri Lanka visa is linked to a specific passport. If you receive a new passport after the visa has been granted, the visa cannot be linked to it. A new application must then be submitted (and paid for) in order to travel to Sri Lanka.

How to apply

Applying for a Sri Lanka visa is easy. Go to website e-Visa.co.uk and click on 'Sri Lanka'. Fill in the arrival date and your e-mail address and click on 'Apply now'. You will now see the application form on your screen; fill this in and click on 'Apply for Visa'. After having double-checked all filled in data, you make the payment, after which the application will be processed immediately. The Sri Lanka visa is usually issued within 4 days. You will receive a confirmation by e-mail, with a link to download the visa. Print it and take it with you to Sri Lanka.

Urgent applications

Are you flying to Sri Lanka within 6 days and haven't had time to arrange your visa? Submit an urgent application immediately. Urgent applications for the Sri Lanka visa are usually granted within 30 minutes. A surcharge of £17.50 per traveller applies. Keep in mind that no guarantees can be given regarding delivery times of visas, even with urgent applications. Sri Lanka's immigration service reserves the right to randomly select applications for a more extensive screening, which can result in delays.