



Electronic tourist visas for citizens of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

The Australian Government is pleased to announce the expansion of the electronic tourist visa to provide faster and streamlined services to citizens of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

From 21 November 2009 citizens of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia will be able to apply for an electronic tourist visa.

See: [Tourist - Applicants outside Australia](#)

The Australian Visa Application Centres operated by Visa Facilitation Services (VFS) Global in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia will also be able to assist in lodging an online application.

What is an electronic tourist visa?

An electronic tourist visa allows people to visit Australia for a holiday or recreation or to visit family and friends. It is available to people who wish to make an application online. An electronic tourist visa allows either single or multiple entry to Australia for a stay period of up to three, six or twelve months, depending on the person's personal circumstances and purpose of their visit

How do you apply for an electronic tourist visa?

An application for an electronic tourist visa can be lodged online:

See: [Tourist - Applicants outside Australia](#)

The Australian Visa Application Centres in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia can also provide assistance in lodging an application for an electronic tourist visa.

See: [VFS Global](#)

Is there a charge for an electronic tourist visa?

There is a visa application charge which must be paid at the time the electronic tourist visa application is lodged.

See: [Tourist Visa \(Subclass 676\)](#)

How do you know if the application for the electronic tourist visa has been decided?

A notification will be sent to the email or postal address nominated in the application. If the application is approved, this notification may be kept for travel to Australia as a visa label will not be placed in the passport. The visa information is held electronically and is linked to the passport number given in the application.

See: [Visa Entitlement Verification Online \(VEVO\) for Visa Holders](#)

Where can I find out more information?

Before an application is lodged

We encourage you to visit the website at www.immi.gov.au/e_visa/e676.htm

The Australian Visa Application Centres will also be able to provide assistance - information on how to contact these Centres is available at www.vfs-au-gcc.com/index.aspx

After an application is lodged

Information on how to contact the department is available at www.immi.gov.au/visitors/tourist/676/more-information.htm