IRAN

VISA REQUIREMENTS

GAUTENG/DURBAN/CAPE TOWN

➤ Valid passport (must be valid for six months and at least 2 opposite blank visa pages)

A certified copy of the ID Book is also required

- ➤ Completed application <u>form</u>
- ➤ Two recent passport size colour photographs (must have a white background). NO STAPLE MARKS ON THE PHOTOS.
- ➤ Letter from employer in South Africa
- > Itinerary
- Travelers require HIV and Hepatitis A,B and C test results.
- Authorization Number from Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the I.R. Iran.

How to obtain an Authorization Number:

- 1. Contact your sponsor (i.e. Business associates, friends or relatives in Iran) and ask that they request a visa for you through our Foreign Ministry in Tehran. Tourists to apply through their Tour Operators or Travel Agency.
- 2. Once the Foreign Ministry approves your request, they will send the embassy a visa authorization number.
- 3. Your contact in Iran will also be informed of this authorization number.
- 4. Once you have obtained the authorization number, we can submit your documentation to the Consular section of the embassy.

WARNING: Travellers with passports issued by occupied Palestine regime will not be granted entry in Iran.

Special Requirements for Tourist

- > Details of purpose of visit
- > Details of friends or relatives in Iran

Special Requirements for Business

- > Invitation letter in 2 forms sent by the host in Iran who is inviting them.
- Letter briefing the Embassy about the nature of the visit and background as to why travelling there.

Visas will be issued upon receiving an invitation from a credible Iranian company (the partner in Iran). In the absence of an Iranian partner, a written introduction by SA Chamber of Commerce or Financial Institutions will be needed by the Embassy to communicate receiving an authorization from Iran which will be finalized within 5 working days.

Processing Time

> 7-10 Working days