

RUSSIA

VISA REQUIREMENTS

From the 30th March 2017 South African passport holders do not require visas for business or tourism purposes. All other passport holders **MUST** apply in person.

ALL visa applications must be completed online at <http://visa.kdmid.ru> and further submitted in print to the Embassy. Visas International can assist in loading.

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- Valid passport, (must be valid for six months).
- One fully completed application form. (USA and British passport holders only must use other form on visas website)
- Two recent passport size colour photographs.
- Proof of medical insurance and breakdown of insurance. Must state it covers the stay in Russia.
- For passengers travelling to Russia on the invitation by a relative or private person in addition to general requirements, the original invitation from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs or original invitation confirmed by the offices of Internal Affairs of Russia must be presented at the Embassy's disposal.
- HIV certificate will be required when applying for a multiple 1 year visa.

Special requirements for Tourists

- Original return airline ticket.
- Tourist voucher issued by the Russian tour operator with reference numbers.
- Letter of confirmation issued by a registered Russian tourist agency.

Special requirements for Business

- Original return air ticket.
- Original certificate of invitation from the Ministry of Foreign affairs.
- South African business letter.

Minors

- Notarised parental consent is required for persons under 18 years of age if they are not travelling with a parent or legal guardian, OR if they are travelling with one parent only.

Processing Time

- 2 - 10 working days.