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UPDATE ON VISA REQUIREMENTS FOR MALAWI

The Malawi Immigration Department would like to inform those intending to travel to Malawi, the Airlines, and all Stakeholders that with effect from 9th September, 2016 Entry Visa issuance will be implemented in **three-fold** as approved by the Malawi Government.

CATEGORY 1

COUNTRIES THAT REQUIRE A VISA IN ADVANCE, OR PRIOR AUTHORISATION

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| 1. Afghanistan | 21. Iraq |
| 2. Algeria | 22. Kazakhstan |
| 3. Angola | 23. Lebanon |
| 4. Bangladesh | 24. Liberia |
| 5. Burkina Faso | 25. Libya |
| 6. Burundi | 26. Mali |
| 7. Central Africa Republic | 27. Mauritania |
| 8. Cameroon | 28. Morocco |
| 9. Chad | 29. Niger |
| 10. China | 30. Nigeria |
| 11. Colombia | 31. Nepal |
| 12. Cuba | 32. Oman |
| 13. Democratic Republic of Congo | 33. Pakistan |
| 14. Djibouti | 34. Palestinian National Authority |
| 15. Egypt | 35. Qatar |
| 16. Ethiopia | 36. Russia |
| 17. Eritrea | 37. Rwanda |
| 18. Ghana | 38. Senegal |
| 19. India | 39. Serbia |
| 20. Iran | 40. Sri Lanka |

41. Somalia
42. Syria
43. Sudan
44. South Sudan
45. Tajikistan
46. Togo
47. Tunisia

48. Turkey
49. Turkmenistan
50. Ukraine
51. Uzbekistan
52. United Arab Emirates
53. Yemen

CATEGORY 2

COUNTRIES THAT CAN OBTAIN A VISA ON ARRIVAL WITHOUT PRIOR AUTHORISATION

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|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| 1. Albania | 31. Chile |
| 2. American Samoa | 32. China (ROC) Taipei |
| 3. Andorra | 33. Christmas Island |
| 4. Anguilla | 34. Cocos (Keeling) Islands |
| 5. Antarctica | 35. Comoros |
| 6. Argentina | 36. Congo, Republic of
Brazzaville |
| 7. Armenia | 37. Cook Islands |
| 8. Aruba | 38. Costa Rica |
| 9. Ascension island | 39. Ivory Coast |
| 10. Australia | 40. Croatia |
| 11. Austria | 41. Cyprus |
| 12. Azerbaijan | 42. Czech Republic |
| 13. Bahrain | 43. Denmark |
| 14. Belarus | 44. Dominican Republic |
| 15. Belgium | 45. East Timor Timor-Leste |
| 16. Benin | 46. Ecuador |
| 17. Bermuda | 47. El Salvador |
| 18. Bhutan | 48. Equatorial Guinea |
| 19. Bolivia | 49. Estonia |
| 20. Bosnia and Herzegovina | 50. Falkland Islands |
| 21. Bouvet island | 51. Faroe Islands |
| 22. Brazil | 52. Finland |
| 23. Britain | 53. France |
| 24. British Indian Ocean
Territory | 54. French Guiana |
| 25. Brunei | 55. French Metropolitan |
| 26. Bulgaria | 56. French Polynesia |
| 27. Canada | 57. French Southern
Territories |
| 28. Cambodia | 58. Gabon |
| 29. Cape Verde | |
| 30. Cayman Island | |

59. Georgia
60. Germany
61. Gibraltar
62. Greece
63. Greenland
64. Guadeloupe
65. Guam
66. Guyana
67. Guatemala
68. Guernsey
69. Guinea
70. Guinea-Bissau
71. Haiti
72. Heard and McDonald Islands
73. Holy Sea
74. Honduras
75. Hungary
76. Iceland
77. Indonesia
78. Ireland
79. Isle of Man
80. Italy
81. Japan
82. Jersey
83. Jordan
84. Korea, Democratic People's republic.(North Korea)
85. Korea, Republic of (South Korea)
86. Kuwait
87. Kyrgyzstan
88. Lao, People's Democratic Republic
89. Latvia
90. Liechtenstein
91. Lithuania
92. Luxembourg
93. Madagascar
94. Macau
95. Macedonia, Republic of
96. Maldives Island
97. Malta
98. Marshall Islands
99. Martinique
100. Mayotte
101. Mexico
102. Micronesia, Federal States of
103. Moldova, Republic of
104. Monaco
105. Mongolia
106. Montenegro
107. Montserrat
108. Myanmar, Burma
109. Netherlands
110. Netherlands Antilles
111. New Caledonia
112. New Zealand
113. Nicaragua
114. Niue
115. Norfolk Island
116. Northern Mariana Islands
117. Palau
118. Panama
119. Papua New Guinea
120. Paraguay
121. Peru
122. Philippines
123. Pitcairn Island
124. Poland
125. Portugal
126. Puerto Rico
127. Reunion Island
128. Romania
129. Sao Tome and Principe
130. Saudi Arabia
131. San Marino
132. Singapore
133. Sierra Leone
134. Slovakia (Slovak

59.Georgia
60.Germany
61.Gibraltar
62.Greece
63.Greenland
64.Guadeloupe
65.Guam
66.Guyana
67.Guatemala
68.Guernsey
69.Guinea
70.Guinea-Bissau
71.Haiti
72.Heard and McDonald
Islands
73.Holy Sea
74.Honduras
75.Hungary
76.Iceland
77.Indonesia
78.Ireland
79.Isle of Man
80.Italy
81.Japan
82.Jersey
83.Jordan
84.Korea, Democratic
People's republic.(North
Korea)
85.Korea, Republic of (South
Korea)
86.Kuwait
87.Kyrgyzstan
88.Lao, People's Democratic
Republic
89.Latvia
90.Liechtenstein
91.Lithuania
92.Luxembourg
93.Madagascar
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95.Macedonia, Republic of

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131. San Marino
132. Singapore
133. Sierra Leone
134. Slovakia (Slovak

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| 135. Slovenia | 147. Timor-Leste (East Timor) |
| 136. Solomon Island | 148. Tonga |
| 137. South Georgia and South Sandwich Islands | 149. Tokelau |
| 138. Saint Helena | 150. Turks and Caicos Islands |
| 139. Spain | 151. United States of America |
| 140. St. Pierre and Miquelon | 152. U.S. Minor Outlying Islands |
| 141. Suriname | 153. Uruguay |
| 142. Svalbard and Jan Mayen Islands | 154. Vanuatu |
| 143. Sweden | 155. Venezuela |
| 144. Switzerland | 156. Vietnam |
| 145. Thailand | 157. Virgin Islands (U.S.) |
| 146. Tibet | 158. Wallis and Futuna Islands |
| | 159. Western Sahara |

CATEGORY 3

COUNTRIES THAT DO NOT REQUIRE A VISA AND INDIVIDUALS THAT ARE ISSUED WITH A GRATIS VISA TO ENTER MALAWI

- a. Nationals from the Southern Africa Development Community (SADC) countries, except for those countries that subject Malawians to a Visa within SADC;
- b. Nationals from the Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA) countries, except for those countries that subject Malawians to a Visa within COMESA;
- c. All Diplomatic and Service/Official Passport holders to be issued with a Gratis (Free) Visa.
- d. List of countries that do not require an Entry Visa to Malawi:

1. Antigua And Barbuda	3. Barbados
2. Bahamas	4. Belize

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| 5. Botswana | 20. Northern Ireland |
| 6. Fiji | 21. Samoa (Western) |
| 7. Gambia | 22. Seychelles |
| 8. Grenada | 23. South Africa |
| 9. Hong Kong | 24. St. Kitts Nevis |
| 10. Israel | 25. St. Lucia |
| 11. Jamaica | 26. St. Vincent and the
Grenadines |
| 12. Kenya | 27. Swaziland |
| 13. Kiribati | 28. Tanzania |
| 14. Lesotho | 29. Trinidad And Tobago |
| 15. Malaysia | 30. Tuvalu |
| 16. Mauritius | 31. Uganda |
| 17. Mozambique | 32. Zambia |
| 18. Namibia | 33. Zimbabwe |
| 19. Nauru | |

NOTE:

- Visa arrangements in Malawi are on a **reciprocal** basis as such the list is subject to change from time to time.
- Visa fees are payable in **United States Dollars (USD) (\$)**.
- Visa in Malawi only means **permission to enter** the country. The visitor is then given a maximum of 30 days **Visitor's Permit** on the port of entry which can be extended up to a maximum of 90 days. Therefore please take note that a visa is just an **authority to enter**, whereas the visitors permit determines the **visitor's duration of stay**.

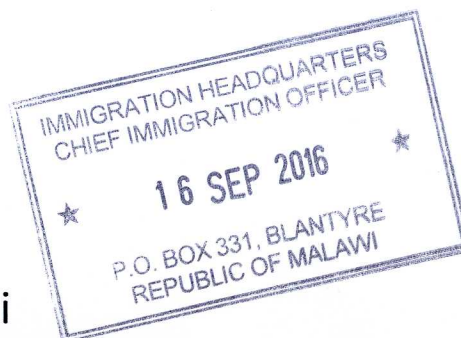
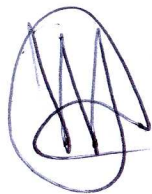
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