How to Apply for your Tanzania Visa

Please read this document carefully as it will answer most of your questions regarding your visa

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A travel visa is permission from the government to enter and leave the country you are visiting. **Whether or not you need a visa depends on the country your passport is from and the country you are visiting.**

Participants traveling to Tanzania can apply for a Business Visa upon arrival in Tanzania, at the airport. Please ensure that you travel with the following to ensure that you are permitted to enter the country:

- Visa fee of $250, payable only in USD with crisp bills dated after 2006
- Photocopy of the photo page of your passport
- 6 passport-sized photos
- Completed Summary of Education and Experience Form
- Resume or CV (highlighting any education, volunteer, and work experiences)
- Documentation verifying your answer to the question “Current Occupation”

If you choose instead to travel with a business visa already issued and stamped in your passport, you will need to apply for a Business Visa, upon arrival. Please see the instructions below to apply for a visa, in advance, for Tanzania. Please keep in mind that you do need the documents in the section above (the same documents that are needed for applying for a visa upon arrival) to apply for your Business Visa upon arrival in Tanzania, and that the cost of a that visa is $250:

- If you are from the **United States**, apply for a “**Other Business**” Visa here:
  - If applying in person, you will need to leave your passport with the Embassy or Representative and return 2 days later. If you would like to expedite this procedure, you can pay an additional $50 and receive the visa in 24 hours (available only at Permanent Representative, in NY).
- If you are from **Canada**, apply for a “**Other Business**” Visa here: [http://www.tzrepottawa.ca/visa.html](http://www.tzrepottawa.ca/visa.html)

- If you are from the **United Kingdom**, apply for a “**Business**” Visa here: [http://tanzaniahighcommission.co.uk/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=49&Itemid=55](http://tanzaniahighcommission.co.uk/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=49&Itemid=55)

- If you are from **Australia**, apply for a “**Business**” Visa here:

- If you are from **another country**, please consult the visa requirements for your country. You will need to contact the nearest Tanzanian Consulate or Embassy to learn more about their requirements.

**Checklist for your visa application:**

- **✓ I am starting my visa application ON TIME.** Single entry visas are valid for entry up to three months from the date of issue. The best time to apply for your visa is 30 to 90 days before your program start date. The process takes approximately one to two weeks, plus mailing time. You may be able to have your visa expedited within 24-48 hours for an additional fee.

- **✓ I have a valid passport.** Your program should not fall within six months of your passport expiration date.

- **✓ I have booked my flight.** You’ll need to include a photocopy of your confirmed flight itinerary.

- **✓ I have my Supporting Letter.** You need to include a Supporting Letter from Cross-Cultural Solutions with your application. The letter can be found on your myCCS account. This will also count as your land itinerary!

- **✓ I have two official passport photos.** You will need to attach between 1 and 2 “2x2” official passport photos to your application. Passport photos can be taken at your post office or stores like Walgreens and CVS.

- **✓ I have my visa fee ready.** Payment has to be made by money order (not a personal check).

**Please note:**
• When applying for your visa and/or entering Tanzania, you may be asked for the following items: proof of home-bound flight, proof of yellow fever vaccination (see below), trip itinerary, and proof of sufficient funds.

**Yellow Fever Vaccination** – *you will be required to present a proof of Yellow Fever Vaccination if you are visiting or have a layover in a Yellow Fever-endemic country (such as Ethiopia or Kenya) on your way to Tanzania.*

• We recommend that you apply in person or purchase two envelopes with tracking options (such as Fed-Ex), one to send and another inside it that is self-addressed. This way, you will have the tracking numbers of your passport traveling both directions, thus minimizing the chances of it getting lost in the mail. **You will not receive your passport and visa if you do not provide a prepaid, self-addressed envelope for the embassy to use!**

• Your Tanzania visa is also valid for Zanzibar.

**Frequently Asked Questions:**

• Under the **employer address** field, use your work place or university address (as applicable). Do not use Cross-Cultural Solutions.

• **Name of Travel Agent/Tour Operator:** Cross-Cultural Solutions

• **Contact Person in Tanzania:** Thea Mushi

• **Address:** Cross-Cultural Solutions, Karanga Village, Moshi Municipality, Tanzania (*there is no house number).*

• **Type of visa requested:** Travel Visa

• **Purpose of visit:** Other, Business, or Other Business.

• **In Case of Transit:** Question not applicable because you are getting a travel visa.

• On the application for visa, one question asks for “**Budget for Stay.**” This means how much money will you have available to you while traveling in Tanzania. They want to know that you have enough financial means at your disposal to cover your travel and accommodation expenses during the stay. **$1000 (USD)** is a standard amount to indicate, which covers what you’ve already paid through your program fee for housing and transportation. It does NOT mean you need to bring $1000 USD in cash with you!
• **Phone or Fax number:** +255.272.750.162

• Make sure you read through ALL of the Consulate’s official guidelines on their respective websites!