

Recognised Seasonal Employer Limited Visa

New Zealand Visa Information Checklist

Visa summary

For eligible seasonal workers coming to New Zealand to work for a Recognised Seasonal Employer in horticulture or viticulture.

Length of stay: Normally a maximum of 7 months in any 11-month period | Cost: NZD \$325 | Processing time: 2 days Age range 18 or older Visas available Each year 20,750

General requirements

- ☐ be from an eligible Pacific nation, unless otherwise agreed with Immigration New Zealand
- ☐ have an offer of work from a Recognised Seasonal Employer (RSE)
- ☐ work only for the employers listed in your visa
- ☐ have medical insurance while in New Zealand.
- ☐ in most cases, stay in New Zealand for up to 7 months in any 11-month period
- ☐ work for a Recognised Seasonal Employer in the horticulture and viticulture industries
- ☐ earn money while learning horticulture and viticulture skills.
- ☐ You cannot apply for any other kind of visa while you hold a Recognised Seasonal Employer Visa.
- ☐ You cannot include your partner or dependent children in your visa application.
- ☐ You must leave New Zealand before your visa expires you cannot apply to stay longer.

Documents and evidence

- ☐ When you apply When you apply, you will need to provide: a copy of your passport or certificate of identity 2 acceptable photos a chest X-ray certificate, if needed a signed employment agreement from the Recognised Seasonal Employer you will be working for evidence of medical insurance.
- ☐ Visa and NZETA photos Countries with a low incidence of tuberculosis Citizens of China applying from China Also provide your: Hukou (household registration book) Chinese identity card.
- ☐ If you are a citizen of China and you are submitting a paper application form in China, you must also complete a supplementary form.
- ☐ Supplementary Form for Chinese visitors, workers and students (INZ 1027) - - , (pdf, 338 KB) Applicants from Hong Kong or Macau applying within Hong Kong or Macau Also provide a copy of your identity card.
- ☐ If you are submitting a paper application form, you must provide a supplementary form for Hong Kong and Macau visitors, workers and students.

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- ☐ Supplementary Form for Hong Kong and Macau visitors, workers and students \INZ 1220\ - \pdf, 240 KB\ After you apply After you apply, we may contact you and ask for: police certificates as proof of your good character.
- ☐ Character requirements for New Zealand visas How to apply Follow these steps to complete your application and avoid delays.
- ☐ Note To help prevent delays with processing, make sure your application contains all the required documents. 1 Step 1: Get a job offer Before you get a job, local authorities may screen you to make sure you will be a good worker.
- ☐ After that, you may be recruited for a job: directly by an RSE by your government through a work-ready pool, or by a licensed Pacific agent.
- ☐ If you are offered a job, you will get an employment agreement to sign.

Official source and verification

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General information only. This checklist is not immigration advice and does not assess your personal eligibility. Requirements can vary by applicant and can change. Always confirm the current official requirements with Immigration New Zealand before applying.