

10. PRESS VISA APPLICATION PROCESS

A citizen of a foreign country, who wishes to work in Turkey as a press member **for more than one year**, must enter country on a press visa. You can apply for a press visa at the nearest Turkish mission to your residence.

Press members, who will work in Turkey less than a year, can enter on a tourist/business visa by visiting www.evisa.gov.tr. If not eligible for an e-visa, you are required to follow the steps listed below.

Application Method:

1. Assemble the required documents listed below.
2. Start an online application on www.visa.gov.tr and upload the documents when prompted.
3. Print out the application form. (*Requirement #2*)
4. After submitting the application successfully, schedule an appointment for the interview.

Applicants are required to bring hard copies of the documents on the day of the interview as well.

- **Screenshots will not be accepted. Documents are requested in their original size.**
- **The documents such as travel insurance, flight and hotel reservations must contain the name and surname of the applicant.**

Required documents:

1. National passport or official travel document and copy of the front page with photo.
 - a) with an expiration date at least 60 days beyond the last day of your intended stay.
 - b) with a blank page to affix the visa.
2. The application form
3. One recent passport photo - size (2" x 2")
4. Official letter from the press agency or related company indicating that you will be working as a press member
5. Employment letter or last 6 months bank account statements
 - a) If you are being sponsored, a letter describing the sponsorship must be submitted.
6. Hotel and flight reservations (*These reservations do not need to be purchased yet*)
 - a) A notarized invitation letter is required if you are going to be hosted.
7. Original and the copy of your green card or your valid US visa. (*for NON-US applicants only*)
 - B1/B2 visa holders can only apply at their country of residence.
8. Proof of travel health/accident insurance, valid through duration of stay, including:
 - a) minimum coverage of 30,000 Euros or equivalent USD
 - b) transfer of the patient to nearest healthcare facility or residency address after discharge and transfer of body in case of death,
9. Non-refundable visa fee
 - Visa fees can only be paid in cash or as money order payable to Turkish Consulate General in NY. Debit, credit and personal checks are not accepted.
 - **Single entry visa fee: 185.00 USD** for US citizens
 - **Multiple entry visa fee: 265.00 USD** for US citizens (*valid only for 6 months with a 90-day stay*)
 - You may e-mail us to find out the visa fee for non-US citizens.

Optional:

10. A pre-paid envelope (mail carrier of your choice) if you would like your visa-issued passport to be returned by mail. (*Turkish Consulate General in NY is not responsible for any delivery issues*)

Important Notes:

- Applications for press visa applications take approximately 4 weeks. It is strongly advised for applicants to apply at least one month prior to their intended trip.
- Please do not finalize your travel arrangements until you are notified about the outcome of your visa application.