



## Information sheet for media, journalists & film crew travelling to Australia for work.

### Processing time

Applications should be lodged at least 6-8 weeks in advance of your expected travel date.

### Which visa should I apply for?

Depending on your circumstances, media, journalists and film crew should apply for either:

- Temporary Work (Short Stay Specialist) (subclass 400) visa, or
- Temporary Activity (subclass 408) visa (Activity type: Entertainment activities).

The difference between the two visas essentially depends on who the audience will be for the media:

- If intended for an **audience outside Australia** (eg Lebanon) – you should apply for the subclass 400 visa.
- If the media is intended for an **Australian audience** in Australia – you should apply for the subclass 408 visa.

**Lodge your application online using ImmiAccount:** <https://online.immi.gov.au/lusc/login>

### Scan and attach supporting documents

When applying you will need to scan the following documents to attach to their online application:

- Passport biodata page
- Copy of your Family Census and translation
- A letter from your employer stating the purpose of your visit, the type of work you will be doing, and who will be funding your work.
- Additional evidence is required for the subclass 408 Visa, for a full list of documents please visit: <http://www.homeaffairs.gov.au/Trav/Visa-1/408-#tab-content-0>

### Provide your Biometrics.

After your application is submitted online you will be sent an email requesting that you provide your biometrics. You will need to attend the Visa Application Centre in Downtown Beirut to provide your biometrics. To make an appointment to submit your biometrics you can provide your details here: <https://au.tlscontact.com/lb/BEY/index.php>

**You will be notified by email once the visa has been granted.**

### Further information

For further information on how to apply, fees, the difference between the two visas and what documents to attach to your application please visit our website:

- <https://www.homeaffairs.gov.au/trav/visa-1/400->
- <https://www.homeaffairs.gov.au/Trav/Visa-1/408->
- [http://lebanon.embassy.gov.au/birt/Visas\\_and\\_Migration.html](http://lebanon.embassy.gov.au/birt/Visas_and_Migration.html)