



Important – Please read this information carefully before you complete your application. Once you have completed your application we strongly advise that you keep a copy for your records.

## How to apply

Please complete your application in English. Answer all questions in full. If you need more space to answer any question, write the details on a separate sheet, sign it and attach it to the application form. You may also be asked to provide documentary evidence of some of your details.

You may also be eligible to apply electronically over the internet.

To check your eligibility, refer to the Department of Home Affairs (the Department) website

<https://immi.homeaffairs.gov.au/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-listing/bridging-visa-e-050-051/subclass-050>

If you are applying for a Bridging E visa and cannot make the application using your ImmiAccount, please return this completed form to the postal address of your nearest office as listed on the Department's website

<https://immi.homeaffairs.gov.au/help-support/contact-us/offices-and-locations>

## Integrity of application

The Department is committed to maintaining the integrity of the visa and citizenship programmes. Please be aware that if you provide us with fraudulent documents or claims, this may result in processing delays and possibly your application being refused.

## Further information

For further information on visa applications and contacting the Department, see information form 1025i *Making and processing visa applications*. This form is available from the Department's website <https://immi.homeaffairs.gov.au/form-listing/forms/1025i.pdf>

## Circumstances under which you may be eligible for a class of bridging visa using this form to:

### (1) Apply for a new bridging visa associated with a substantive visa application

You can apply for a Bridging visa if you applied for your substantive visa while outside Australia, you are now in Australia, and your application is for a substantive visa of a kind that can be granted in Australia.

### (2) Apply for a new bridging visa where a previous one has ceased

You may be eligible for a new bridging visa if the bridging visa ceased because you departed Australia, you have returned to Australia, and your application for a substantive visa has not been finally determined.

### (3) Apply for a new bridging visa with different conditions to the one currently held

You can apply for a bridging visa with different or nil conditions if you hold a Bridging E visa.

Generally, if you are seeking another bridging visa without work restrictions, you need to provide evidence of a compelling need to work due to financial hardship.

However, you will not be eligible for permission to work if you hold a Bridging E visa because you are seeking judicial review or ministerial intervention, except in limited circumstances.

From 1 July 2009, if you apply for a Protection visa and hold a Bridging E visa with work restrictions, you may be eligible for another bridging visa with permission to work.

To be eligible, Bridging E visa holders need to provide evidence of a 'compelling need to work', as well as satisfy the Department you have an 'acceptable reason for your delay', in making a Protection visa application, that is, reasons why you:

- did not apply for a Protection visa after your arrival in Australia while you held a substantive visa; and
- why you have now applied for a Protection visa after you became unlawful.

If you hold a Bridging E visa and are seeking judicial review of a refusal decision on your Protection visa application, you will only be permitted to work if you had permission to work on the last bridging visa you held and you applied for judicial review within the statutory time limits.

If you hold a Bridging E visa and have made an initial ministerial intervention request from 1 July 2009, you will only be permitted to work if you had permission to work on the last bridging visa held, and at the time of making the ministerial intervention request, you had remained lawful since your last substantive visa application was finally determined.

If you are the holder of a Bridging E visa and are seeking to change the condition(s) of the visa, you must demonstrate that you will abide by the conditions sought; and if applicable, you must provide reasons for your change in circumstance such as:

- change in arrangements to depart;
- intention to lodge a visa application;
- change in the period in which a travel document must be obtained and presented to the Department.

#### (4) Await the outcome of judicial review

You can apply for a Bridging E visa if you are awaiting an outcome of a judicial review.

You should provide evidence that an application for judicial review has been made by providing a copy of the relevant application for review or notice of appeal which shows the court registration number and endorsement by the Registrar of the Federal Court.

#### Residential address

You must provide the address where you intend to live while your application is being dealt with. Failure to give a residential address in your application will result in your application being invalid. A post office box address will not be accepted as your residential address.

#### Including family members in your application

Information about which family members are considered to be a 'member of the family unit' is available by referring to form 1496i *Including family members in your application*. Form 1496i is available from the Department's website

[www.homeaffairs.gov.au/allforms/](http://www.homeaffairs.gov.au/allforms/)

All additional applicants must be included at Question 20.

#### What is immigration assistance?

A person gives immigration assistance if he or she uses, or purports to use, his or her knowledge or experience in migration procedure to assist a person with matters related under the *Migration Act 1958*.

The most common times assistance is provided is during visa application processes, visa cancellation processes or sponsorship processes (including monitoring or sanctions).

**Note:** Immigration assistance does not include simply filling in an application form, translating or interpreting or passing on information about an application without comment or explanation.

#### Registered migration agents

A registered migration agent is a person who is registered with the Office of the Migration Agents Registration Authority (OMARA) to provide immigration assistance.

If operating in Australia, migration agents must be registered with the OMARA.

Information on registered migration agents, including how to find one, is available on the OMARA website [www.mara.gov.au](http://www.mara.gov.au)

#### Legal practitioners

A legal practitioner is a lawyer who holds an Australian legal practising certificate (whether restricted or unrestricted) granted under a law of an Australian state or territory.

Legal practitioners can provide immigration assistance in connection with legal practice.

Information on legal practitioners, including how to find one, is available on the Law Council of Australia website.

Information on legal practitioners can also be sought from the relevant state or territory legal professional bodies.

#### Exempt persons

The following people do not have to be a registered migration agent or legal practitioner in order to provide immigration assistance:

- a close family member (spouse, child, adopted child, parent, brother or sister of a visa applicant);
- a sponsor or nominator for a visa applicant;
- a member of parliament or their staff;
- a member of a diplomatic mission, consular post or international organisation.

An exempt person **must not charge a fee** for their assistance. In Australia, if they do charge a fee they are committing an offence and penalties of up to 10 years jail can apply.

#### Appointing a registered migration agent/legal practitioner/exempt person

To appoint a registered migration agent/legal practitioner/exempt person you should complete *Part G – Options for receiving written communications*.

Your registered migration agent/legal practitioner/exempt person should complete form 956 *Appointment of a registered migration agent, legal practitioner or exempt person*.

Form 956 is available from the Department's website

[www.homeaffairs.gov.au/allforms/](http://www.homeaffairs.gov.au/allforms/)

#### Options for receiving written communications

If you do not appoint a migration agent/legal practitioner/exempt person you may still authorise another person, in writing, to receive written communications on your behalf. This person is called the authorised recipient.

#### Authorised recipient information

All written communication about your application will be sent to your authorised recipient, unless you indicate that you wish to have health and/or character information sent directly to you.

The Department will communicate with the most recently appointed authorised recipient as you may only appoint one authorised recipient at any time for a particular application.

You will be taken to have received any documents sent to that person as if they had been sent to you.

To appoint an authorised recipient you should complete:

- *Part G – Options for receiving written communications*; and
- form 956A *Appointment or withdrawal of an authorised recipient*.

**Note:** Migration agents/legal practitioners/exempt persons do not need to complete form 956A.

Form 956A is available from the Department's website

[www.homeaffairs.gov.au/allforms/](http://www.homeaffairs.gov.au/allforms/)

Consent to communicate electronically

The Department may use a range of means to communicate with you. However, electronic means such as fax or email will only be used if you indicate your agreement to receiving communication in this way.

To process your application the Department may need to communicate with you about sensitive information, for example, health, police checks, financial viability and personal relationships. Electronic communications, unless adequately encrypted, are not secure and may be viewed by others or interfered with.

If you agree to the Department communicating with you by electronic means, the details you provide will only be used by the Department for the purpose for which you have provided them, unless there is a legal obligation or necessity to use them for another purpose, or you have consented to use for another purpose. They will not be added to any mailing list.

The Australian Government accepts no responsibility for the security or integrity of any information sent to the Department over the internet or by other electronic means.

If you authorise another person to receive documents on your behalf and they wish to be contacted electronically, their signature is required on form 956 or 956A to indicate their consent to this form of communication.

**Note:** Electronic communication is the fastest means of communication available and the Department prefers to communicate electronically because this results in faster processing.

Important information about privacy

The *Privacy Act 1988* contains 13 Australian Privacy Principles which regulate the way that the Department collects and handles personal information. Information about how the Department collects, uses and discloses personal information for its key functions can be found in form 1442i *Privacy notice*. More information about the Department’s general information handling practices (including form 1442i) can be found in the Department’s Privacy policy at <https://www.homeaffairs.gov.au/access-and-accountability/our-commitments/privacy>

Home page **[www.homeaffairs.gov.au](http://www.homeaffairs.gov.au)**

General enquiry line Telephone **131 881** during business hours in Australia to speak to an operator (recorded information available outside these hours). If you are outside Australia, please contact your nearest Australian mission.





Please open this form using Adobe Acrobat Reader.  
Either type (in English) in the fields provided or print this form  
and complete it (in English) using a pen and BLOCK LETTERS.

Tick where applicable ☒

## Part A – Personal details

**1** Your full name

Family name

Given names

**2** Date of birth

Day Month Year

**3** Are you currently in immigration detention?

No ☐

Yes ☐ Are the other applicants included in this application (if any)  
also being held in immigration detention?

No ☐

Yes ☐

**4** Your current residential address in Australia

**Note:** A post office box address is not acceptable as a residential  
address. Failure to provide your residential address will result in this  
application being invalid.

Postcode

## Part B – Contact details

**5** Address for correspondence

(If the same as your residential address in Question 4, write 'AS ABOVE')

Postcode

If any other applicants are included in this application (see Question 20),  
is this the address at which the Department may correspond with those  
other applicants?

No ☐ Give details of the address for correspondence for other  
applicants separately in writing or on form 929 *Change of  
address and/or passport details*

Yes ☐

**6** Your telephone numbers

Office hours

(Area code )

After hours

(Area code )

**7** Do you, and the other applicants included in this application (if any),  
agree to the Department communicating with you by fax, email or other  
electronic means?

No ☐

Yes ☐ Give details

Fax number

(Area code )

Email address

## Part C – Details from your passport/ travel document

**8** Details from your passport/travel document

Passport/travel document number

Country of passport

Day Month Year

Date of issue

Date of expiry

Issuing authority/place of issue as shown in your passport


## Part D – Application details

- 9** Please select the section that is most appropriate to your circumstances:  
(Additional information may be provided at Question 15 to support your application.)

Applicant for a substantive visa ☐ ► **Go to Question 10**  
Ministerial intervention ☐ ► **Go to Question 11**  
Judicial review ☐ ► **Go to Question 12**  
Review of a decision to cancel a visa ☐ ► **Go to Question 13**  
Making arrangements to depart Australia ☐ ► **Go to Question 14**

### 10 Applicant for a substantive visa

Are you waiting for a decision from the Department or the tribunal on an application for a substantive visa?

No ☐

Yes ☐ ► Give details at Question 22

Do you intend to apply for a substantive visa  
(ie. a visa other than a bridging visa)?

No ☐

Yes ☐ ► Give details at Question 22

### 11 Ministerial intervention

Have you requested the exercise of the Minister's powers to intervene to:

- substitute a more favourable decision for a decision of the Tribunal;  
or
- allow for a further protection visa application?

No ☐

Yes ☐ ► Give details at Question 22

### 12 Judicial review

Have you commenced judicial proceedings (eg. in the Federal Court) in relation to a decision to refuse or cancel a substantive visa (ie. proceedings in relation to the refusal or cancellation of a visa other than a bridging visa)?

No ☐

Yes ☐ ► Have those proceedings been completed or withdrawn?

No ☐ ► Give details at Question 22

Yes ☐

Are you a party to any other proceedings concerning your immigration status?

No ☐

Yes ☐ ► Give details at Question 22

Has a member of your family unit commenced judicial proceedings in relation to the refusal of an application for a substantive visa (ie. proceedings in relation to the refusal of a visa other than a bridging visa)?

No ☐

Yes ☐ ► Have those proceedings been completed or withdrawn?

No ☐ ► Give details at Question 22

Yes ☐

**Note:** To be eligible for the grant of a bridging visa in association with such proceedings you must have made an application that was combined with the substantive visa application made by the member of your family unit.

### 13 Review of a decision to cancel a visa

Did you hold a visa that has been cancelled?

No ☐

Yes ☐

Have you applied for, or are you applying for, revocation or review of a decision in relation to the cancellation of a visa?

No ☐

Yes ☐ ► Give details at Question 22

Did you hold a visa that was cancelled because of the cancellation of a visa held by another person?

No ☐

Yes ☐ ► Has that other person applied for, or is that other person intending to apply for, review of the decision to cancel his or her visa?

No ☐

Yes ☐ ► Give details at Question 22

14 Making arrangements to depart Australia

Are you making, or are you the subject of, arrangements to depart Australia?

No ☐

Yes ☐ Give details below

Date of intended departure

DayMonthYear

Method of departure

Intended destination

What arrangements have been made for your departure?

Hold a passport ☐ Give details below

Hold a ticket ☐ Give details below

Other ☐ Give details at Question 22

Passport/ticket details

Do you currently have any matters before an Australian court or tribunal?

No ☐

Yes ☐ Give details

Are you seeking the waiver of a condition imposed on a previous visa, or a restriction, which currently prevents you from applying for a visa in Australia?

No ☐

Yes ☐ Give details

Have you been granted a bridging visa previously on the basis that you were making arrangements to depart Australia?

No ☐

Yes ☐ Why did you not depart?

Part E – Change of Bridging visa conditions

15 Are you applying for a bridging visa with different conditions?

No ☐ Go to Question 20

Yes ☐

16 Are you seeking permission to work on the basis of financial hardship?

No ☐ Go to Question 19

Yes ☐

17 Financial details

**Note:** Please provide evidence of financial hardship even if you have given the information to the Department previously. This includes providing any supporting evidence of weekly expenses, such as receipts, bills, bank statements and so on. The person who decides your application may have only this information to consider.

If there is not enough space here, provide details on a separate sheet of paper, sign and date the statement and include it with this application.

What savings (for example in bank or cash) do you have available?

AUD

How have you supported yourself until the time of this application?

Do you receive any regular income from overseas? No ☐ Yes ☐

Do you or a member of your family currently work? No ☐ Yes ☐

What is your family's weekly income?

AUD

What is the total of your weekly expenses?

AUD

Do you have family members in Australia who are not included in this application?

No ☐

Yes ☐ Why can't they support you financially?

18 For protection applicants

Are you holding a Bridging E visa and seeking permission to work because you have an ‘acceptable reason for delay’ in lodging your protection visa application?

No ☐

Yes ☐ Give details

When did the protection claim arise (approximately)?

Explain why you did not apply for a Protection visa when you first arrived in Australia. Your reasons should cover the period starting from arrival in Australia up to when the Protection visa application was made.

19 Other visa conditions

Are you seeking to apply for a change in condition other than permission to work?

No ☐

Yes ☐ Give details of the conditions on the Bridging E visa that you are seeking to change and the reasons why

Part F – Additional applicants

20 Give details of members of your family who are seeking to satisfy the same criteria for the grant of a Bridging E visa (see Questions 10–19). (If any members of your family are seeking to satisfy different criteria for the grant of a Bridging E visa, they will need to complete a separate form 1008 *Application for Bridging E visa*.)

Note:

- A post office box address is not acceptable as a residential address. Failure to give a residential address will result in your application being invalid.
- Unless otherwise advised in writing or on form 929 *Change of address and/or passport details*, the Department will communicate with the additional applicants in the same manner, and at the same address, as has been requested by the main applicant (see Questions 5, 7 and 26).

Applicant 2

Family name

Given names

Date of birth 

DayMonthYear

Relationship to you

Current residential address in Australia 

Postcode

Applicant 3

Family name

Given names

Date of birth 

DayMonthYear

Relationship to you

Current residential address in Australia 

Postcode



Family name	<input type="text"/>		
Given names	<input type="text"/>		
	Day	Month	Year
Date of birth	<input type="text"/>		
Relationship to you	<input type="text"/>		

Postcode

Family name			
Given names			
	Day	Month	Year
Date of birth			
Relationship to you			

Postcode

Family name			
Given names			
	Day	Month	Year
Date of birth			
Relationship to you			

Postcode

- Yes ☐


**Note:** In order to satisfy the criteria for the grant of a Bridging E visa, an applicant must satisfy the Department that he or she will abide by any conditions to be imposed on the visa if granted and, if requested, lodge a security for compliance with those conditions.

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## Part H – Assistance with this form

**23** Did you receive assistance in completing this form?

No ☐ ► **Go to Part I**

Yes ☐ ► Please give details of the person who assisted you

Title: Mr ☐ Mrs ☐ Miss ☐ Ms ☐ Other

Family name

Given names

Address

Postcode

Telephone number or daytime contact

Country code      Area code      Number

Office hours (      ) (      )

Mobile/cell

**24** Is the person a registered migration agent, Australian legal practitioner or an exempt person?

No ☐

Yes ☐ ► **Go to Part I**

**25** Did you pay the person and/or give a gift for this assistance?

No ☐

Yes ☐

## Part I – Options for receiving written communications

**26** All written communications about this application should be sent to:

(Tick one box only)

Myself ☐

**OR**

Authorised recipient ☐ ► You should complete form 956A *Appointment or withdrawal of an authorised recipient*

**OR**

Migration agent ☐

**OR**

Legal practitioner ☐ ► Your migration agent/legal practitioner/exempt person should complete form 956 *Appointment of a registered migration agent, legal practitioner or exempt person*

**OR**

Exempt person ☐

## Part J – Character

**27** Have you, or any other person included in this application, ever:

- been charged with any offence that is currently awaiting legal action? No ☐ Yes ☐
- been convicted of an offence in any country (including any conviction which is now removed from official records)? No ☐ Yes ☐
- been charged or convicted of a family or domestic violence offence or any similar related offence? No ☐ Yes ☐
- been the subject of a domestic or family violence order, or any other order, of a tribunal or court or other similar authority, for the personal protection of another person? No ☐ Yes ☐
- been the subject of an arrest warrant or Interpol notice? No ☐ Yes ☐
- been found guilty of a sexually based offence involving a child (including where no conviction was recorded)? No ☐ Yes ☐
- been named on a sex offender register? No ☐ Yes ☐
- been acquitted of any offence on the grounds of unsoundness of mind or insanity? No ☐ Yes ☐
- been found by a court not fit to plead? No ☐ Yes ☐
- been directly or indirectly involved in, or associated with, activities which would represent a risk to national security in Australia or any other country? No ☐ Yes ☐
- been charged with, or indicted for: genocide, war crimes, crimes against humanity, torture, slavery, or any other crime that is otherwise of a serious international concern? No ☐ Yes ☐
- been associated with a person, group or organisation that has been/is involved in criminal conduct? No ☐ Yes ☐
- been associated with an organisation engaged in violence or engaged in acts of violence (including war, insurgency, freedom fighting, terrorism, protest) either overseas or in Australia? No ☐ Yes ☐
- served in a military force, police force, state sponsored/private militia or intelligence agency (including secret police)? No ☐ Yes ☐
- undergone any military/paramilitary training, been trained in weapons/explosives or in the manufacture of chemical/biological products? No ☐ Yes ☐
- been involved in people smuggling or people trafficking offences? No ☐ Yes ☐
- been removed, deported or excluded from any country (including Australia)? No ☐ Yes ☐
- overstayed a visa in any country (including Australia)? No ☐ Yes ☐
- had any outstanding debts to the Australian Government or any public authority in Australia? No ☐ Yes ☐

If you answered 'Yes' to any question at Question 27, give details, including the date of the charge, the outcome and any penalty imposed. Also attach court documents (for example sentencing remarks or court transcripts).

Where relevant, provide a copy of all declared orders (for example, any domestic or family violence orders, child protection orders, or orders that prohibit the applicant from having contact with another person for their personal protection). You are only requested to declare an order where the applicant is the respondent or subject of the order. You are not asked to declare an order where the applicant is the person requiring personal protection.


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File number

Form 1211 may be completed as the decision record for this application.  
Form 1212 may be completed to advise applicant of conditions of grant.  
If the applicant is in detention, has a Detention Review Officer been informed of the application?  
No ☐ Yes ☐

Part K – Declaration

The following declaration must be signed and dated by all applicants aged 18 or over included in this application

- 28 **WARNING:** Giving false or misleading information is a serious offence.
- If a Bridging E visa is granted to me I understand that conditions may apply to the visa and that if I fail to abide by these conditions my visa may be cancelled and any security lodged for compliance with the conditions may be forfeited.
- I declare that:
- the information supplied on this application is complete, correct and up-to-date in every detail.
  - I have read the information contained in form 1442i *Privacy notice*.
  - I understand the Department may collect, use and disclose my personal information (including biometric information and other sensitive information) as outlined in form 1442i *Privacy notice*.
  - I understand that if my visa ceases to be in effect and I do not hold another visa to remain in Australia at that time, I will be an unlawful non-citizen under the *Migration Act 1958*. As such, I will be expected to depart from Australia, and be subject to removal under the *Migration Act 1958*.

Signature of main applicant

Day Month Year

Date

Signature of applicant 2

Day Month Year

Date

Signature of applicant 3

Day Month Year

Date

Signature of applicant 4

Day Month Year

Date

Signature of applicant 5

Day Month Year

Date

Signature of applicant 6

Day Month Year

Date