

China

Capital: Beijing

Language: Mandarin, Yue, others

Currency: Yuan (CNY)



TOURIST VISA REQUIREMENTS

- Summit US valid passport with a least 2 blank pages and valid for more than 6 months from the date of submitting application.
- One fully completed and signed visa application form.
- One Passport type photograph (home or machine photos not acceptable)
- Tickets and Documents for return or onward travel. Tourist visas are issued only after receipt of a confirmation letter from a Chinese tour agency or letter of invitation from a relative in China.

BUSINESS VISA

- A valid passport with a least 2 blank pages and valid for more than 6 months from the date of submitting application.
- One fully completed and signed visa application form.
- One Passport type photograph(home or machine photos not acceptable)
- Tickets and Documents for return or onward travel.
- A business letter from your company, addressed to: Embassy of The Peoples Republic of China, Visa Section. Washington D.C. This letter must explain all of the following: Nature of business to be performed, Name and address of reference to be visited, Guarantee of return transportation and sufficient funds for the visit. The letter should be signed by an officer of the company other than the applicant.
- Business travelers are required to obtain formal invitation from Chinese business contact (An Invitation from a company or organization in PR China (not Hong Kong) is also required. The invitation may be faxed. If a multiple entries visa is required, the invitation must be issued by a Chinese Government Ministry or authorized government office, or Regional office of Chinese Foreign Economic Relations and Trade Commission, and include their 4-digit reference number.

Note:

- Transit visa required for any stop (even if you do not exit the plane or train) in China.
- Americans arriving without valid passports and the appropriate Chinese visa are not permitted to enter and will be subject to a fine and immediate deportation at the traveler's expense.
- Chinese Authorities have recently tightened their visa issuance policy, in some cases requiring personal interviews of American citizens and regularly issuing one or two entry visas valid for short periods only. Also effective May 01, 2003 the Chinese Embassy and Consulates will cease accepting visa applications by mail service, including express services. The embassy requests visa applicants appear in person or use a visa service.
- Visas are required to transit China. Persons transiting China on the way to and from Mongolia or North Korea or who plan to re-enter from the Hong Kong or Macau Special Administrative Regions should be sure to obtain visas allowing multiple entries.
- Americans who overstay or otherwise violate the terms of their Chinese visas will be subject to a maximum fine of 5,000 RMB (approximately \$600) and departure delays and may be subject to detention.
- Passengers must pay a RMB 90 airport user fee (approximately \$11 US) when departing China on international flights and RMB 50 airport fee (approximately US \$6.10) for all domestic flights.
- **DUAL NATIONALITY:** China does not recognize dual nationality. Some U.S. citizens who are also Chinese nationals (mostly U.S.-born children of Chinese nationals or Legal Permanent Residents) have experienced difficulty entering and departing China on U.S. passports. In some cases, such dual nationals are required to use Chinese travel documents to depart China.

Consular fees: are payable in cash, money order or certified check to the order of the Consulate of PRC. Personal or company checks cannot be accepted.

Tourist/business single entry:	\$80 (1 day processing)	\$70 (2 day processing)	\$50 (5 day processing)
Tourist/business double entry:	\$105 (1 day processing)	\$95 (2 day processing)	\$75 (5 day processing)
Tourist/business multi entry:		\$180 (2 day processing)	\$150 (5 day processing)

Non U.S. citizens should contact **IAG** to see if a visa is required.

If you need one of the above types of visas, another type of visa, or if you are not sure which type of visa (e.g. work, study, adoption, immigration, or stays longer than stipulated in the entry requirements) best applies to you, please contact **IAG** at (202) 349-1454 for further consultation and details or fill out the Customer Order Form, sign the Letter of Authorization and send these along with all required documents to: