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# Worker (Seasonal) Migrant Entry Clearance Guidance Notes

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## **Overview**

The Worker (Seasonal) Migrant route enables non-British and non-Irish nationals to come to the Isle of Man in order to undertake a temporary employment position which cannot be filled by a Settled Worker, for up to 9 months.

Family members are not able to join Worker (Seasonal) Migrants in the Isle of Man as their dependants.

An application made under this route must be supported by a valid Confirmation of Employment provided by the Isle of Man Employer.

This is not a route to settlement.

## **Entry Clearance Requirements checklist**

Entry clearance must be granted **before** a person arrives in the Isle of Man.

To qualify for entry clearance applicants must meet the requirements of Part 2A.2 of Appendix W to the Isle of Man Immigration Rules.

You should always check the rules to see the requirements for yourself and satisfy yourself that you will meet them before you make your visa application online. You should also have all your supporting evidence together <u>before</u> you make your visa application online. A checklist of the requirements for entry clearance, and the documents that you will need to have is set out below.

If you meet these requirements, you can apply for a Worker (Seasonal) Migrant visa by following this link, and clicking on the "Apply for Entry Clearance" button. Follow the steps in the next section of this guidance in order to complete your online entry clearance visa application.

Requirement	Do I meet the requirement?
All applicants – Confirmation of Employment	
You must have a Confirmation of Employment that is still valid at the date of application (if the expiry date stamped by the Immigration Service on your CoE has passed before you make your application the CoE is not valid).	
All applicants – Age requirement	
You must be over the age of 16 in order to make this application. If you are older than 16 and younger than 18 then you must have confirmation from	

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your parent(s) or legal guardian(s) that they consent to you making this application – this should take the form of a letter confirming this. All applicants - Maintenance funds You can meet this requirement in 2 ways: Your employer has certified on the Confirmation of Employment that they will accommodate you under the "Financial Support to Migrant" section of that form. If your employer has not certified this, you must hold a minimum level of funds in your bank account. This is £1,270 plus an additional amounts for any dependants applying: You must hold at least the level of funds in your bank account for 28 days before the date of application. All applicants - Criminal history You must indicate during your application any criminal convictions or offences that you have committed. These must not meet any of the thresholds set out in Part 9 to the Isle of Man Immigration Rules. All applicants - No self-employment You must not be self-employed or in any arrangement akin to selfemployment. For this reason, you must not: have the final say in the running of the Employer's business invest your own money in the Employer's business or act as surety or guarantor for the business, be responsible for covering the losses of the business, provide the major items of equipment needed to do your job, (although you may provide small personal tools required for that purpose); be free to hire other people on terms of your own choice, to do the work for which you been employed, pay yourself or another employee from the your own personal funds, be obliged to correct unsatisfactory work in your own time or at your own expense, or be expected to pay your own tax and National Insurance Some applicants - Tuberculosis certificate

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Reference should be made to Appendix W of the Isle of Man Immigration Rules. If in any doubt you should seek advice from an Isle of Man Immigration Advocate.

If you have been present in any country listed in Appendix T to the



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<u>Isle of Man Immigration Rules</u> **for 6 months or more immediately prior to your application,** you must provide a valid medical certificate issued by a medical practitioner indicating that you have undergone screening for active pulmonary tuberculosis, and that you do not have it.

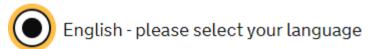
## **Making your application**

All applications for entry clearance to the Isle of Man are made using the UK's online visa website services.

Your application will be routed to the Isle of Man Immigration Service for consideration.

To make your entry clearance application as a Worker (Seasonal) Migrant to the Isle of Man, click on this link and follow the below steps: <a href="https://visas-immigration.service.gov.uk/country-selection">https://visas-immigration.service.gov.uk/country-selection</a>

1. Select your preferred language option and click 'NEXT':



2. Select Visa type – select the "Crown Dependency" option and click 'NEXT'.



- 3. Enter the country that you are making the application from and click 'NEXT'.
- 4. Confirm that you are able to travel to a biometric enrolment location (the link on the website will take you to a list of available locations for your country).
- 5. Reason for application select the "Work" option and click 'NEXT'.



6. Select visa type – you should select "Seasonal Worker (temporary worker)" and click in 'Apply now'.

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£298



## Find out if you are eligible to apply

- 7. Continue with the application process as prompted on the screen.
- 8. When you have completed the form and the Declaration page, you will be taken to the fee payment page. Once the fee has been paid you will be taken to the next steps to be completed for Biometric Resident Permit and Immigration Health Survey. See those sections in this guidance document for further information.

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## **Application fee**

The fee for a Worker (Seasonal) Migrant visa is £298.

## **Biometric Resident Permit**

Worker Migrants and their families coming to the Isle of Man will not be issued with a Biometric Resident Permit.

To complete this section regarding where the Biometric Resident Permit must be collected from, select "Collect from a UK Post Office" and insert the postcode SW1H OAX.

The Isle of Man Immigration Service does not issue Biometric Resident Permits, a vignette (the visa) will be placed into your passport. This will state your visa category, visa issue and visa expiry dates.

## **Immigration Health Surcharge (IHS)**

Having made your appointment to provide your biometric data, you will be taken to the IHS section.

Isle of Man applicants are exempt from paying the IHS. However, applicants must continue to complete this section to obtain an IHS reference number. On the IHS screen, select that you are applying to stay in the Isle of Man, Jersey or Guernsey.

Having completed these sections and confirmed your details are correct, it will show that you are exempt from paying the IHS. You will be provided with an IHS reference number. You will then be taken to the Biometric appointment booking webpage.

## **Biometric Appointment**

Once you have completed the above application process, you will be redirected to the biometric appointment booking webpage in order for you to make an appointment to provide your biometric data and supporting documentation.

When you attend your appointment to give your biometric data, you should also take with you all necessary documentation required to support your application, including your passport and Confirmation of Employment.

## Police Registration – Removed

The Police Registration Requirement has been removed. Those with this condition will no longer have to register with the Police and this condition will no longer be issued to new applicants.

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## **General Information**

Missing documentation could result in your application being delayed or refused.

Your passport will be returned to you once a decision has been made on your application.

The process from starting the application to arriving in the Isle of Man can take up to 3 months to complete.

Your passport will be retained by UK Visas and Immigration (UKVI) until a decision has been made on your application. You should not book any travel until you have received a decision on your visa application and have had your passport returned to you. The Isle of Man Immigration Service does not accept any responsibility for travel that is booked by you.

If the application is successful, a vignette (the visa) will be placed into your passport. This will state your visa category, visa issue and visa expiry dates.

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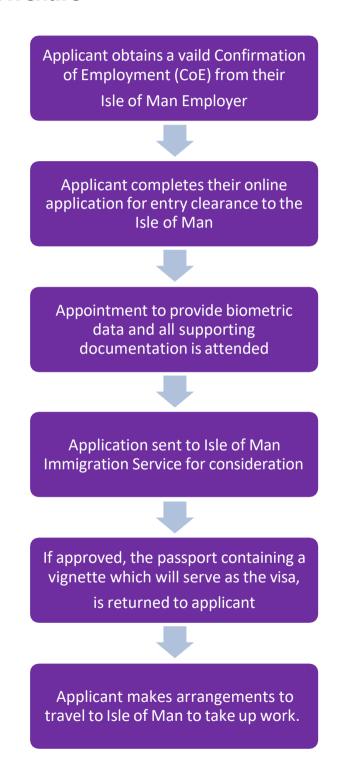


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