GTI TOURISM VISA STUDY

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Greater Tumen Region (GTR) holds great potentials for the development of a thriving tourism industry that can enhance Northeast Asia (NEA) regional cooperation and economic prosperity. In 2008, over 100 million people visited the Northeast Asia region and continued to lead growth in international tourism, despite the adverse global financial crisis.

Under the Greater Tumen Initiative (GTI), the member countries³ are seeking to coordinate tourism policies, simplify frontier formalities, and introduce multi-destination Tumen Region tourism products. To facilitate smooth cross border tourism flow between the GTI countries, a visa study was reviewed and approved by the GTI Tourism Board (TB) as part of the *GTI Tourism Action Plan 2010-2012*, adopted at the 2nd inaugural meeting of GTI TB held in September 2009, in Changchun, China.

As the first implementation step, this **GTI Tourism Visa Study** provides general information on the current systems of tourism visa (tourist visa and transit visa) among the GTI countries (the Peoples' Republic of China, Russian Federation, Republic of Korea, and Mongolia), as well as DPRK, which succinctly display the various tourism visa facilitation measures in force across the GTI countries.

¹ Source: UNWTO World Tourism Barometer, Vol.7, No.3, October 2009.

² Northeast Asia Region covers: China (including Hong Kong, Macao and Taiwan), ROK, Japan, and Mongolia.

³ GTI member countries comprise of: Peoples' Republic of China (PRC), Russian Federation, Republic of Korea (ROK), and Mongolia. There were five originally member countries of GTI, prior to Democratic Peoples' Republic of Korea (DPRK)'s withdrawal in November 2009.

INTRODUCTION TO GTI TOURISM VISA STUDY

GTI Introduction

The Greater Tumen Initiative (GTI) (originally known as the Tumen River Area Development Programme - TRADP), is an intergovernmental cooperation mechanism in Northeast Asia (NEA), supported by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), with a membership of four countries: People's Republic of China (PRC), Republic of Korea (ROK), Mongolia and Russian Federation.

In 1995, the GTI member governments signed a formal agreement ⁴ to establish the intergovernmental cooperation mechanism, aimed at strengthening economic and technical cooperation, and attaining greater growth and sustainable development for NEA, particularly the Greater Tumen Region. Since its creation, the GTI remains a unique intergovernmental platform for economic cooperation, fostering peace, stability and sustainable development in NEA. The core decision-making institution of GTI is the Consultative Commission (CC) composed of government representatives from the four GTI member countries.

Geographic Scope of Greater Tumen Region

The Greater Tumen Region comprises of four provinces in China (Heilongjiang, Inner Mongolia, Jilin and Liaoning), Eastern port cities of the ROK (Busan, Ulsan, Gangwondo and Gyeongsangbukdo), three aimags or provinces of Mongolia (Khentii, Dornod and Sukhbaatar), and Russia's Primorsky Territory.



Map of the Greater Tumen Region

GTI Tourism Sector and Tourism Visa Study

The tourism sector was identified by the GTI member countries at 8th CC Meeting held in September 2005, in Changchun, China, as one of the four priority sectors⁵, contributing to regional economic cooperation and

⁴1995 Agreement on the Establishment of the Consultative Commission for the Development of the Tumen River Economic Development Area and Northeast Asia.

⁵ Four priority sectors identified at the 8th CC Meeting are: Transport, Energy, Tourism and Investment with Environment as a cross-cutting theme.

development. Under the *GTI Strategic Action Plan 2006-2015* adopted at the 8th CC Meeting, the five strategic objectives of the tourism sector are: (i) facilitating cross border tourism flows between the countries; (ii) providing tourist facilities and services that are of an acceptable standard at key locations; (iii) improving the way tourism resources of the region are interpreted; (iv) encouraging a broad range of product development initiatives, especially multi-destination programs; and (v) effectively promoting the Tumen area product in its key source markets.

To achieve these goals and to enable effective coordination of respective policies in the tourism sector, the GTI Tourism Board (TB) was established at the 9th CC Meeting in November 2007 in Vladivostok, Russia, to serve as an advisory council to governments in the sphere of the interregional tourism activities, as well as an institutional tool to assist the achievement of the strategic goals in tourism sector.

The Inaugural GTI TB meeting was successfully held in June 2008, in Seoul, Korea, with the adoption of the Charter of the GTI Tourism Board and its Action Plan for 2008-2009, followed by the side-event meeting in December 2008, during the United Nations World Tourism Organisation (UNWTO) Regional Tourism Conference in Guilin, China. The 2nd TB meeting was held in September 2009, in Changchun, China, which concluded with the adoption of the *GTI Tourism Action Plan 2010-2012*, and agreement of concrete activities as follows: GTI Visa Study, new version of GTI Tourism Guide⁶ and development of cross-border Tourism.

Following the 2nd TB meeting's decision, this **GTI Tourism Visa Study** was compiled as the first step to provide general information on tourism visa (tourist visa and transit visa) procedures, aiming to facilitate the cross border tourism flow, whereby to offer a more efficient service to tourism visa applicants across the GTI countries.

Visas are used by national governments as a method of controlling access into a country by the citizens of another country. By issuing or not issuing an entry visa to a potential tourist, the authorities are in control of entry and exits of their borders. Visa requirement for other nationals prior to granting access is a fundamental right of all governments, which is in no way brought into question by this study.

This Study was considered and approved at the 3rd TB Meeting in May 2010 in Vladivostok, Russia.

Structure of the Study

This study on **GTI tourism visas** provides an overview of tourist visa policies and procedures in the GTI member countries and the DPRK. Following this introduction, the body of the report is divided into 5 sections for China, Russia, ROK, Mongolia and DPRK. Each section entails General Information; Tourist Visa Policy; Table of Tourist Visa Type, Duration, Fee; Documents Required for Tourist Visa Application; Special Notes on Tourist Visa Regulations; and Contacts of Embassy and Consulates. Within each section, guidelines for visa application procedures are provided for citizens of the other GTI member countries, listed country by country. Finally, the study closes with a conclusion and recommendations to promote internal tourism in the GTR for the future. Copies of the visa application forms for each state are provided in the Annex.

Source

The main sources used in this study are information obtained from the GTI countries embassy websites and Koryo Tours for the information on the DPRK tourist visa section. Special attention is paid to the *Study on Visa Facilitation in the Silk Road Countries*, a study which was undertaken by the United Nations World Tourism Organization (UNWTO) in 2001. Key structure and principles recommended in the *Study on Visa Facilitation in the Silk Road Countries* is applied in this **GTI tourism visas study**.

⁶ The previous version of Tumen Tourism Guide was published in 2002, with 5,000 copies in four languages. There has been no update since then.

TOURISM VISA REQUIREMENTS FOR GTI MEMBER COUNTRIES

Due to the changing nature of national and international political circumstances, visa requirements, costs and application policy and procedures are changing constantly. Hence the need for continuous updating on the contents of the situation analysis provided in this section of the report should be viewed only as a "snapshot" of the situation at the time of the research conducted. Please double check through the sources indicated in the study prior to travel.



People's Republic of China



General Information

China is the world's most populous country (1.3 billion citizens) and is the fourth-largest state in the world in terms of territory. Owing to wide-ranging reforms in the last 30 years, China is undergoing profound economic and social change, and has become a major player in global affairs. In conjunction with its rapid development, the China's tourism industry continues to grow and is now the world's fourth largest host country for international tourists. Modern tourist facilities are available in major cities.

Source: http://travel.state.gov/travel/cis_pa_tw/cis/cis_1089.html https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/geos/ch.html

Tourist Visa Policy of the Republic of China

A Chinese visa permit is issued by the Chinese visa authorities to non-Chinese nationals for entry into or transit through China. The Chinese visa authorities may issue Diplomatic, Courtesy, Official or Regular Visa to foreigners according to their status, purpose of visit or passport type. Non-Chinese nationals residing outside China who intend to enter, exit or transit through Chinese territory must apply for a Chinese visa via overseas Chinese visa authorities, which are Chinese embassies, consulates, and other offices authorised by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of China.

Tourist visa is marked with Chinese phonetic letter **L**, and **transit visa**, **G**. Tourist (L) visa is issued to non-Chinese nationals entering China for sightseeing, visiting family or other private purposes. Transit (G) visa issued to non-Chinese nationals who transit through China.

Tourist or transit visa is not required in following cases:

- Ordinary passport holders from Singapore, Brunei and Japan to visit China for up to 15 days for business, sight-seeing, visiting relatives and friends, or transit.
- Foreigners who hold air tickets to the final destination and have booked seats on international airlines flying direct to China, and will stay in a transit city for less than 24 hours without leaving the airport.
- Travellers who transit through Pudong Airport or Hongqiao Airport of Shanghai, provided the traveler hold visas for onward countries, final destination air ticket and confirmed seat, intend to stay in Shanghai under 48 hours and possess valid passport of the following countries: Republic of Korea, United States of America, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, Germany, France, The Netherlands, Belgium, Luxemburg, Portugal, Spain, Italy, Austria, Greece, Sweden, Denmark, Norway, Finland, Iceland.

Please note: Visa-free visitors are required to hold a formal passport (with validity of at least six months, except citizens of Japan for at least three months) and return ticket, and should have no criminal record.

For more information on general Chinese visa, please refer to the indicated references.

References on Chinese Tourist Visa

Official website of Chinese Government	http://english.gov.cn/
Chinese Embassy in Moscow	http://ru.china-embassy.org/rus/_
Chinese Embassy in ROK	http://www.chinaemb.or.kr/kor/
Chinese Consulate in Busan	http://busan.china-consulate.org/kor/
Chinese Embassy in Mongolia	http://mn.china-embassy.org
Travel China Guide	http://www.travelchinaguide.com/
China Highlights	http://www.chinahighlights.com/
China Tour	http://www.chinatour.com/
Chinese Visa Services	http://www.pandavisa.com/
World Travel Guide	http://www.worldtravelguide.net/country/58/passport_visa/Far- East-Asia/China.html
US Department of State	http://travel.state.gov/travel/cis_pa_tw/cis/cis_1089.html

1.1 Chinese Tourist Visa for Russian Citizens

Table of Tourist Visa Types, Duration, Fee

Types of Tourist		Visa Fee	Embassy/Consular Office	
Visa	Regular 7 working days	Express 3-5 working days	Urgent 1 working day	
Single-entry				Chinese Embassy in Moscow
3 month validity	SUR* 1,500	SUR 2,400	SUR 3,600	No. 6, UL. Druzhby, Moscow,
		301(2,400	3017 3,000	117330, Russia
Double-entry				Tel: +7-095-9382006
6 month validity	SUR 3,000	SUR 3,900	SUR 5,100	http://ru.china-embassy.org/rus/
Multi-entry				Email: china_emb_ru@mfa.gov.cn
6 month validity	SUR 4,500	SUR 5,400	SUR 6,600	
12 month validity	SUR 4,500	SUR 5,400	SUR 6,600	Consular Office
Group Visa				Tel: (007) 095-1431543 (Answering
-				Service), 1431540
	SUR 1,200			Fax: (007) 095-9561169

Note: * SUR = Russian Rubles

Office Hours: 09:00-12:00, Monday-Friday (except holidays)

Source: http://www.travelchinaguide.com/embassy/russia.htm accessed on 15 January 2010.

Documents Required for Tourist Visa Applications

- 1. Passport (must be valid for a minimum of 6 months for a single entry, 12 months for a double entry or six month multiple entry and 18 months for a 12 month multiple entry visa.
- 2. One properly completed Visa Application Form
- 3. One recent passport photo.
- 4. A valid Invitation Letter offered by a Travel Agency that is authorised by Chinese Government

Note: - China does not recognise dual nationality.

- HIV-positive travellers are not permitted to enter the country.

Special Notes on Tourist Visa Regulations

- If you apply for **Tourist Visa (L Visa)**, you are required to provide the Valid Invitation Letter offered by a Travel Agency that is authorized by Chinese Government.
- If you apply for Tourist Group Visa, the group must have at least 5 people. You are required to provide the
 valid passports of all people, the Invitation Letter of a Travel Agency that is governmentally authorised, and
 three copies of name list.

Source: http://www.travelchinaquide.com/embassy/russia.htm accessed on 15 January 2010.

⁷ Visa Application Forms of GTI countries is attached in Part III Annex of this study. Source: http://www.fmprc.gov.cn/chn/pds/fw/ accessed on 15 February 2010.

Chinese Embassy & Consulates in Russia:

EMBASSY OF PRC IN MOSCOW

Address: No. 6, UL. Druzhby, Moscow, 117330, Russia

Tel: +7-095-9382006 +7-095-9382006

Email: china_emb_ru@mfa.gov.cn Website: http://ru.china-embassy.org/rus/

Consulate General of PRC in Khabarosk

Address: Stadium of Lenin, Khabarovsk, 680028, Russia

Tel: +7-4212-421122 +7-4212-421122 (Answering Service), 306163

Fax: +7-4212-649094

Email: chinaconsul khab ru@mfa.gov.cn/gcchina@gcchina.khv.ru

Website: http://www.chinaconsulate.khb.ru/rus/

Visa Office

Tel: +7-4212-302590 +7-4212-302590

Fax: +7-4212-649094

Consular Districts: Khabarovsk Territory, Primorsky Territory, Sakhalin State, Amur State, Jewish

Autonomous Oblast, Irkutsk State, Chita State

Chinese Consular Office in Vladivostok

Tel: +7-4232-495037 +7-4232-495037

Fax: +7-4232-497459

Consulate General of PRC in St. Petersburg

Address: No. 134, Nab. Kanala Griboedova, St. Petersburg, 190121, Russia

Tel: +7-812-7147670 +7-812-7147670

+7-812-89627035069 (Mobile Phone in Holidays)

Fax: +7-812-7144958

Email: chinaconsul_sp_ru@mfa.gov.cn

Website: http://saint-petersburg.china-consulate.org/rus/

Office Hours: 09:00-12:00, 15:00-18:00, Monday-Friday (except holidays)

Consular Office

Tel: +7-812-7137605 +7-812-7137605, 89602428006 (Mobile Phone)

Fax: +7-812-7144958

Office Hours: 09:30-12:00, on Monday, Wednesday, Friday (except holidays)

Consular Districts: St. Petersburg, Leningrad State, Republic of Karelia, Murmansk State, Pskov State,

Arkhangelsk State, Novgorod State

Source: http://www.travelchinaguide.com/embassy/russia/

1.2 Chinese Tourist Visa for ROK Citizens

Table of Tourist Visa Types, Duration, Fee

Types of Tourist		Visa Fee	Embassy/Consular Office	
Visa	Regular	Express	Urgent	
	4 working days	2 working days	1 working day *	
Single-entry	KRW 35,000	KRW 59,000	KRW 70,000	Chinese Consulate Office in Seoul 50-7, No.2 Street, Namsan-dong, Chung-gu, Seoul, Korea
Double-entry	KRW 53,000	KRW 77,000	KRW 88,000	Tel: (82) 02-755-0453, 0456 http://www.chinaemb.or.kr/kor/
Multiple-entry				
6 month validity	KRW 70,000	KRW 94,000	KRW 105,000	Chinese Consulate Office in Busan
12 month validity	KRW 100,000	KRW 124,000	KRW 135,000	1418, U2-Dong, Haeundae-gu, Busan, Korea
Group Visa	KRW 15,000	KRW 27,000	KRW 32,500	Tel: (82) 051-743-7990 http://busan.china-consulate.org/kor/

^{*} KRW = Korean Won

Note

- The opening hours for visa application, pick-up and payment: Monday-Friday: 9:00-11:30 (except holidays)
- Applications should be submitted between 09:00-10:00, and visas can be picked up between 11:30-12:00 same day.

Source: http://www.chinaemb.or.kr/kor/
http://busan.china-consulate.org/kor/

Documents Required for Tourist Visa Applications

- 1. Passport (must be valid for a minimum of 6 months for a single entry, 12 months for a double entry or six month multiple entry and 18 months for a 12 month multiple entry visa.
- 2. One properly completed Visa Application Form⁸
- 3. One recent passport photo.
- 4. A valid Invitation Letter offered by a Travel Agency that is authorised by Chinese Government

Note: - China does not recognise dual nationality.

- HIV-positive travellers are not permitted to enter the country.

Special Notes on Tourist Visa Regulations

Special required documents for applying Tourist/Family Visit Visa (L Visa)

- 1. If applicants are high-ranking officers in South Korea including members of parliament, senior officer, vice senior officer, mayor and vice mayor in DO (Province) or Special City, please tell the consular officers and provide the schedule in China and the name & telephone of host organization in China.
- 2. If applicants are religious people, they must offer a letter of guarantee with their signed name and seal. They can't organize religious activities in China.

⁸ Visa Application Forms of GTI countries is attached in Part III Annex of this study.

3. If applicants are journalists or personnel of media institutions, please tell the consular officers and guarantee that they won't make interviews in China.

Note: Tourist/Family Visit Visa (L Visa) is also applicable for people who enter China for investigation or exchange but they can't offer the official invitation letter.

The Tips for applying Chinese Visa

- 1. The embassy does not accept applications by post/mail.
- 2. If you apply for Tourist/Family Visit Visa (L Visa), you can entrust the Travel Agencies that are authorised by the Chinese Embassy in Korea to deal with it. The exact information of the Travel Agencies is on the website: http://kr.china-embassy.org/chn/lsqz/ls_qz/ls_qz_13/t229558.htm (Korean Version).
- 3. If you apply for other types of visa, you can entrust your company, organ or the Travel Agencies that are authorised by the Chinese Embassy in Korea to deal with it.
- 4. If a company or travel agency applies for visas, please submit the Visa Application Form with the company seal in the lower right-hand corner.
- 5. Please show your Pick-up Receipt when you pick up your visa. If it is lost, the applicant should go to the Consular Office in person with the Lost Certificate of Police Station, Identity Card and its copy.
- 6. If the consular officer calls you and asks you to hand in other documents, please hand in them and then pick up your visa.
- 7. After picking up your visa, please check it carefully.

Important Notice on Methods Change of Individual Visa Application

- 1. From September 1, 2007, the Consular Office of Chinese Embassy in South Korea will no longer accept individual application for Tourist (L) Visa, Business (F) Visa, Work (Z) Visa, Student (X) Visa, Residence (D) Visa, Transit (G) Visa and Crew (C) Visa. Therefore, Korean Citizens and other aliens in South Korea have to apply for China visa (Hong Kong Visa is not included) through travel agencies authorized by the Embassy of the People's Republic of China in the Republic of Korea. Please refer to the website to see the list of designated travel agencies (<a href="http://kr.china-embassy.org/chn/lsqz/ls_q
- The Consular Office of Chinese Embassy in South Korea still accept the individual applications of the following categories of people. (They can also apply for China visa by travel agencies authorized by Chinese embassy)
 - 1) Diplomatic/Service Passport Holders of the Republic of Korea (South Korea)
 - Holders of ROK Ordinary Passport and the note issued by the Korean Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade of ROK
 - 3) Personnel and their family members of other countries' diplomatic missions, international institutes or organizations in ROK
 - 4) Journalist Visa Applicants
 - 5) Hong Kong Visa applicants
- 3. Those who apply for visa to Hong Kong and Visa to Mainland of China at the same time still need go to Consular Office of Chinese Embassy in South Korea. The service fee of travel agencies authorised by Chinese embassy should be not more than 20, 000 won. If they charged you more money, you can send a complaint to the embassy (consulate korea@mfa.gov.cn)

Visa Fees

The embassy only accepts Cash as means of payment if you are individual applicant. The Checks and Credit Cards are not accepted. Please pay for your visa when you pick it up.

Source: http://www.travelchinaguide.com/embassy/korea2.htm

Chinese Embassy & Consulates in ROK:

EMBASSY OF THE PRC IN THE REPUBLIC OF SEOUL

Address: 54, Hyoja-Dong, Jongno-GU, Seoul, 110033, Korea

Tel: +82-2-7381038 +82-2-7381038

Fax: +82-2-7381059

Email: chinaemb_kr@mfa.gov.cn Website: http://kr.china-embassy.org

Office Hours: 09:00-12:00, 13:30-17:30, Monday-Friday (except holidays)

Consular Office

Address: 50-7, No.2 Street, Namsan-dong, Chung-gu, Seoul

Tel: +82-2-060-7045004 +82-2-060-7045004

(Inquiry for Passport, Visa, Notarization & Authentication) +82-2-7567300 +82-2-7567300, 7550453, 7550456 (for Consular Protection & Overseas Chinese Affairs)

Office Hours:

Application for Visa: 09:00-11:30, Monday-Friday (except holidays)

Application for Passport, Travel Document, Notarization & Authentication: 13:30-16:00, Monday-Thursday (except holidays)

Pick-up and Payment: 09:00-11:30, Monday-Friday (except holidays)

For Overseas Chinese Affairs & Consular Protection:

09:00-11:30, Monday-Friday 13:30-17:00, Monday-Thursday

Consular Districts: Seoul, Inchon, Taejon, Kyonggido, Kangwondo, Chungchong Puktodo, Chungchong Namdo

Consulate-General of the PRC in Busan

Address: 1418, U-2 Dong, Haeundae-Gu, Busan, 612022, Korea Tel: +82-51-7437987 +82-51-7437990

Fax: +82-51-7437987

Email: chinaconsul_bu_kr@mfa.gov.cn Website: http://busan.china-consulate.org

Visa Office

Tel: +82-51-7437987 +82-51-7437987, 7437990 Office Hours: 09:00-11:30, Monday-Friday (except holidays)

Consular Districts: Busan (Pusan), Taegu, Ulsan, Kyongsang Namdo, Kyongsang Puktodo

Consular Office in Gwangju of the Embassy of the People's Republic of China

Address: 9196, Wolsan-Dong, Nam-gu, Gwangju, 503230, Korea

Tel: +82-62-3858873-4 Fax: +82-62-3858880

Website: http://gwangju.kr.china-embassy.org

Visa Office

Visa Collection Time:

09:00-11:30 (for 2-3 or 4 working days processing time)

11:30-12:00 (for 1 working days processing time, now this service is temporarily suspended)

Consular Districts: Cheju-do, Gwangju (Kwangju), Cholla Namdo, Cholla Puktodo

Consular Assistance

Office Hours for Consular Assistance: 09:00-12:00, 13:30-17:30

Tel for Consular Assistance: +82-62-3858872 +82-62-3858872

Source: http://www.travelchinaguide.com/embassy/korea2.htm

1.3 Chinese Tourist Visa for Mongolian Citizens

Table of Tourist Visa Types, Duration, Fee

Types of Tourist		Visa Fee	Embassy/Consular Office	
Visa	Regular	Express	Urgent	
	4 working days	2-3 working days	1 working day	
Single-entry				Chinese Embassy in Ulaanbaatar
validity	USD 30	USD 50	USD 60	P.O.Box 672 Zaluuchuudyn Urgun Chuluu 5,
Double-entry				Ulaanbator, Mongolia
validity	USD 45	USD 65	USD 75	Tel: (976) 11-323940, 320955, 311903
Multiple-entry				http://mn.china-embassy.org
6-month validity	USD 60	USD 80	USD 90	chinaemb_mn@mfa.gov.cn
12-month validity	USD 90	USD 110	USD 120	
24-month validity	USD 90	USD 110	USD 120	<u>Consular Office</u> Tel: (976) 99-112578

Source: http://mn.china-embassy.org

Documents Required for Tourist Visa Application

- 1. Passport (must be valid for a minimum of 6 months for a single entry, 12 months for a double entry or six month multiple entry and 18 months for a 12 month multiple entry visa.
- 2. One properly completed Visa Application Form⁹
- 3. One recent passport photo.
- 4. A valid Invitation Letter offered by a Travel Agency that is authorised by Chinese Government

Note: - China does not recognise dual nationality.

- HIV-positive travellers are not permitted to enter the country.

⁹ Visa Application Forms of GTI countries is attached in Part III Annex of this study.

Chinese Embassy & Consulates in Mongolia:

EMBASSY OF THE PRC IN MONGOLIA

Address: P.O. Box 672 Zaluuchuudyn Urgun Chuluu 5, Ulan Bator, Mongolia

Tel: +976-11-320955 +976-11-320955, 323940, 311903

Fax: +976-11-311943

Email: chinaemb_mn@mfa.gov.cn

Website: http://mn.china-embassy.org/eng/

Consular Office

Tel: +976-11-320955 +976-11-320955, 323940, +976-99112578 +976-99112578 (Mobile Phone)

Fax: +976-11-311943

Source; http://www.travelchinaguide.com/embassy/mongolia.htm

Russian Federation





General Information

At 17,075,400 square kilometers, Russia is by far the largest country in the world and has the population of 142 million. Russia is a vast and diverse nation that continues to evolve politically, economically, and socially. Major urban centers show tremendous differences in economic development compared to rural areas.

Source: http://travel.state.gov/travel/cis_pa_tw/cis/cis_1006.html

The Russian Far East is one of the most exciting tourism destinations, covering an area two-thirds the size of Canada. The region contains much of the underdeveloped natural resources of Russia and unsurpassed scenic beauty. The cities and towns of the region offer a diversity of architecture, history, culture and experience. Visitor accommodations and facilities are concentrated in Vladivostok and other urban centers.

Tourist Visa Policy of the Russian Federation

The Russian authorities generally require both an entry and exit visa from all tourists into Russia. But the passengers of cruise ships and ferries, holding permits for passenger transportation and arriving into Russia via sea and river ports opened for international passenger transportation, may stay without visas for up to 72 hours in Russia.

Visa applications must undergo a two-step process; firstly, visa support documentation must be obtained, after which the Russian visas may be applied for. Russian visa support is essentially an invitation to visit the country. Depending on the type of visa for Russia being pursued, this invitation will come from different sources.

Russian **Tourist visas** may be issued for single or double entry and are designed for people who wish to visit the country for a short period of time for the purposes of tourism. Applications for Russian tourist visas require tourist vouchers to be obtained first. In addition, it will also be necessary to obtain 'tourist confirmation' from an authorised Russian travel agency.¹⁰

Russia currently provides no facility for obtaining a visa on arrival; the traveler must obtain transit visas **before** arrival to Russia.

The citizens of specific countries/territories are allowed to visit Russia for tourism or business purposes without having to obtain a visa. Visa-free entry for citizens of some states into Russia is established by the relevant international treaties of Russian Federation. Holders of passports issued by the following nations are not required to obtain a visa.¹¹:

11 VFS Global: http://ru.vfsglobal.co.uk/checklists.aspx accessed on 10 March 2010.

¹⁰ Source: Global Visas: http://www.globalvisas.com/worldwide_visas/russia_visa.html accessed on 18 Jan. 2010.

Unlimited period:

- Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Moldova, Ukraine, Uzbekistan and some others (see annex)

90 days:

- Argentina (a maximum of 90 days in a 180 day period for ordinary passport holders and provided the purpose of visit is not for commercial reasons)
- Bosnia and Herzegovina (for all other purposes except for tourism with appropriate documents providing purpose of visit presented upon entry)
- Serbia (for diplomatic and service passport holders)
- Venezuela

30 days:

- Bosnia and Herzegovina (for tourists with appropriate documents proving purpose of visit)
- Israel
- Montenegro
- Serbia (for those who possess biometric passports issued after 9th April 2008)
- Thailand

14 days:

- Hong Kong (only Hong Kong Special Administration Region passport holders)

For more information on general Russian visa, please refer to the indicated references.

References on Russian Tourist Visa

Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Russia	http://www.mid.ru
Russian Embassy in ROK	http://www.russian-embassy.org/korean/main.html
Russian Embassy in Beijing	http://www.russia.org.cn/eng/?SID=23&ID=128
Global Visas	http://www.globalvisas.com/worldwide_visas/russia_visa.html

2.1 Russian Tourist Visa for Chinese Citizens

Table of Tourist Visa Types, Duration, Fee

Visa Fee			Embassy/Consular Office
Regular	Express	Urgent	
5 working days	3 working days	1 working day	
			Consular Department of Russian Embassy in Beijing
RMB 342	RMB 548	RMB 822	4 Dongzhimen Beizhongjie,
USD 50	USD 80	USD 120	Beijing 100600 PRC
RMB 684	RMB 890	RMB 1,164	Tel: 86-(10)-6532-1267
USD 100	USD 130	USD 170	Fax: 86-(10)-6532-4853
			Email: text@russia.org.cn
RMB 1,027 USD 150	RMB 1,233 USD 180	RMB 1,507 USD 220	
	5 working days RMB 342 USD 50 RMB 684 USD 100 RMB 1,027	Regular Express 5 working days 3 working days RMB 342 RMB 548 USD 50 USD 80 RMB 684 RMB 890 USD 100 USD 130 RMB 1,027 RMB 1,233	Regular Express Urgent 5 working days 3 working days 1 working day RMB 342 USD 50 RMB 548 USD 80 RMB 822 USD 120 RMB 684 USD 100 RMB 890 USD 130 RMB 1,164 USD 170 RMB 1,027 RMB 1,233 RMB 1,507

Note:

Source: http://www.russia.org.cn/rus/?SID=85&ID=1333 (in Russian)
http://www.russia.org.cn/chn/?ID=1178 (in Chinese)

Documents Required for Tourist Visa Application

Tourist Visa:

- 1. Original passport with at least 2 blank visa-designated pages (passport must be valid for at least 6 months after intended departure date from Russia).
- 2. Two copies of Russian visa application form 12, completed and signed.
- 3. Two passport-size photos (3.5 cm x 4.5cm) signed on the back.
- 4. If Tour Group or Cruise Passenger: Letter from tour company or cruise line confirming itinerary and including a copy of the confirmation from authorised Russian travel company which shows the reference number and confirmation number for the visa.
- 5. If Individual Travel: Confirmation of hotel arrangements from authorised Russian travel company, or directly from the Russian hotel, showing reference number and confirmation number for the visa.

Transit Visa:

Transit visas are normally valid for maximum of 3 days if travelling by air and 10 if travelling by train.

- 1. Original passport with at least 2 blank visa-designated pages (passport must be valid for at least 6 months after intended departure date from Russia).
- 2. Two copies of Russian visa application form, completed and signed.
- 3. Two passport-size photos (3.5 cm x 4.5cm) signed on the back.
- 4. Visa to the country of destination, if required.
- 5. Transportation tickets for the whole itinerary.

⁻ The applicant should apply for visa personally or authorise another person by notarised Power of Attorney.

¹² Visa Application Forms of GTI countries is attached in Part III Annex of this study. Source: http://www.russianvisa.com/russianvisa.nsf/consulate_form.html accessed on 15 February 2010.

Visa-Free Transit:

A Transit Visa is not required if you remain in the transit zone of the airport in order to catch an onward or connecting flight within 24 hours of arrival.

Special Notes on Tourist Visa Regulations

At present there is an intergovernmental agreement on visa-free group tourist trips between Russia and China, under which a tourist from China can visit Russia without a visa as part of an organized tour group.

The term of such a group tourist visa-free travel can be no more than 15 calendar days; the number of tourists in the group must from 5 to 50 people. By decision made by the governmental tourist bodies in Russia and the PRC, the rights to organize such trips have been granted to officially authorized tourism organizations of both countries.

Source: http://www.russia.org.cn/eng/?SID=23&ID=128 (English)

http://www.russia.org.cn/rus/?SID=85&ID=1543 (Russian)

Russian Embassy & Consulates in China:

EMBASSY OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION IN BEIJING

Address; 100600, Beijing, Dongzhimennei Beizhong str., 4

Phone: +8610 65-32-2051 +8610 65-32-2051, 65-32-1381 /Fax: +8610 65-32-4851

http://www.russia.org.cn

Consular department

Phone: +8610 65-32-1267 +8610 65-32-1267, 65-32-1991 /Fax: +8610 65-32-4853

Russian consulate in Shanghai:

Address: 20, Huangpu Lu, Shanghai, 200080

Phone: +8621 63-24-8383 +8621 63-24-8383, 63-24-2682 /Fax: +8621 63-06-9982

http://www.rusconshanghai.org.cn/

Russian Consulate Shenyang

Phone: +8624 2322-39-27 +8624 2322-39-27/Fax: +8624 2322-39-07

Russian Consulate Guangzhou

Address: 510623, 26A Fazhanzhongxin Building, 3 Linjiangdadao Avenue, Guangzhou City

Phone: +86-20-8518-50-01/02/03 / Fax: 86-20-3829-6223 Email: gzconsul@hotmail.com; ruscons@gzruscons.org

Russian Consulate Hong Kong

2106, 21/Fl., Sun Hung Kai Centre, 30 Harbour Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong

Phone: +852 28-77-7188 +852 28-77-7188, 28-77-5024 /Fax: +852 28-77-7166

Source: http://www.russianconsulate.org/russian-consulates-china.html

2.2 Russian Tourist Visa for Chinese Citizens

Table of Tourist Visa Types, Duration, Fee

Types of		Visa	Embassy/Consular Office		
Tourist Visa	Regular 10 working days	Express 5-7 working days	Urgent 1-2 working days	Instant same day	
Single-entry validity 30 days	KRW 45,000	KRW 90,000	KRW 140,000	KRW 160,000	Russian Embassey in Seoul 34-16 Chong-dong, Chung-gu, Seoul, 100-120, ROK
Double-entry validity 30 days	KRW 90,000	KRW 120,000	KRW 170,000	KRW 190,000	Tel: (02) 318-2134, 318- 2135,752-0630
Multiple-entry validity 30 days	KRW 180,000	KRW 210,000	KRW 260,000	KRW 280,000	Fax: (02) 753-1569 (02)752-1407 E-mail: rusemb@uriel.net
Transit Visa 1 time 2 times	KRW 45,000 KRW 90,000	KRW 90,000 KRW 120,000	KRW 140,000 KRW 170,000	KRW 160,000 KRW 190,000	

*Note:

- Instant visa fees should be paid in cash.
- The applicant should apply for visa personally or authorise another person by notarised Power of Attorney.

Source: http://www.russian-embassy.org/russian/consular.html (in Russian)

http://www.russian-embassy.org/english/consular_03.html (in English)

http://www.russian-embassy.org/korean/main.html (in Korean)

http://www.russian-embassy.org/korean/consular_02_b.html (in Korean)

Documents Required for Tourist Visa Application

Tourist Visa:

Valid up to 1 month

- 1. Valid passport or a substitution document.
- 2. Completed visa application form¹³.
- 3. One passport-size photo (3.5 cm x 4.5cm)
- 4. A tourist confirmation from a hosting authorized Russian travel agency and copy of such invitation
- 5. The tourist voucher of the travel agency in the Republic of Korea (or the representative office of the Russian travel company in the ROK). (original)

Transit Visa:

Transit visas are normally valid for maximum of 3 days if travelling by air and 10 if travelling by train.

- 1. Valid passport or a substitution document.
- 2. Completed application form.

¹³ Visa Application Forms of GTI countries is attached in Part III Annex of this study.

- 3. One passport-size photo (3.5 cm x 4.5cm)
- 4. Transportation documents with the fixed departure date from the Russian Federation
- 5. Valid visa to the neighbor country

Visa-Free Transit:

A Transit Visa is not required if you remain in the transit zone of the airport in order to catch an onward or connecting flight within 24 hours of arrival.

Russian Embassy & Consulates in ROK:

EMBASSY OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION IN SEOUL

Address: 34-16 Chong-dong, Chung-gu, Seoul, 100-120, Republic of Korea

Phone: +82 2 318-2116 +82 2 318-2116, 318-2117, 318-2118

Fax: +82 2 754-0417 E-mail: rusemb@uriel.net

WWW: http://www.repkorea.mid.ru/

Consular department:

Phone: +82 2 318-2134 +82 2 318-2134

Fax: +82 2 752-1407 E-mail: rusemb@kornet.net

Consulate General of Russia in Busan:

Phone: +82 2 318-2134 +82 2 318-2134

Fax: +82 2 752-1407 E-mail: rusemb@kornet.net

Source: http://www.russia-embassy.net

2.3 Russian Tourist Visa for Mongolian Citizens

Table of Tourist Visa Types, Duration, Fee

Types of Tourist	Vis	sa Fee	Embassy/Consular Office
Visa	Regular 4-7 working days	Urgent 1-3 working day	
Single-entry			Consular Department of Russian Embassy in Ulaanbaatar
validity 30 days	USD 65	USD 115	A-6, P.O.Box 661Enkh Tayvan avenue,
Double-entry			Ulaanbator, Mongolia
validity 30 days	USD 110	USD 190	
Multiple-entry			Tel: (976-11) 326037
	USD 270	USD 420	Fax: (976-11) 324425
Visa-free license	U	SD 4	Email: cons_ru@mongol.net
Corrections, restorations	US	SD 45	

Note:

1 - The applicant should apply for visa personally or authorise another person by notarised Power of Attorney.

Source: http://www.mongolia.mid.ru/visa-doc-01.html (in Russian) http://www.mongolia.mid.ru/visa-doc-03.html (in Russian)

Documents Required for Tourist Visa Application

Tourist Visa:

- 1. Valid passport
- 2. One photograph (3.5 cm x 4.5cm).
 3. A completed *visa application form*¹⁴
- 4. A tourist confirmation from a hosting authorized Russian travel agency (original and copy of such invitation).
- 5. The original of the tourist voucher of the travel agency

Transit Visa:

Transit visas are normally valid for maximum of 3 days if travelling by air and 10 if travelling by train.

- 1. Valid passport
- 2. One photograph (3.5 cm x 4.5cm)
- 3. A completed application form
- 4. Visa of a third country
- 5. A ticket to Russia and to a third country with confirmed date of departure from Russia

Visa-Free Transit:

A Transit Visa is not required if you remain in the transit zone of the airport in order to catch an onward or connecting flight within 24 hours of arrival.

¹⁴ Visa Application Forms of GTI countries is attached in Part III Annex of this study.

Russian Embassy & Consulates in Mongolia:

EMBASSY OF THE RUSSIA IN ULAAN BAATAR

Address: Enkhtayvany gudamzh, A-6, Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia; Mail address: C.P.O. Box 661, Ulaanbaatar,

Mongolia

Phone: +976 11 327-851 +976 11 327-851 (reception-room), 327-506 (on-duty)

Telex: (800) 251 TLX UB Fax: +976 11 327-018 Email: <u>embassy ru@mong</u>e

Email: embassy-ru@mongol.net Website: http://www.mongolia.mid.ru

Consular department:

Phone: +976 11 326-183 +976 11 326-183, 9911-5603

Telex: 800251

Fax: +976 11 324-425 Email: cons_ru@mongol.net

Consulate General of Russia in Erdnet:

Address: Erdnet, Orhon aimag, Mongolia Phone: +976 1352 73-711, 23-009

Telex: 800051

Fax: +976 1352 22-653 Email: <u>consul_rus@erdenet.mn</u>

Consulate General of Russia in Darhan:

Address: Zaluuchuudyn gudamzh, 13, Darhan somon, Darhan-Uul aimag, Mongolia

Phone: +976 1372 2-3996

Telex: 800251

Fax: +976 1372 2-3406

Email: cons-dar@publica.ub.mng.net

Source: http://www.russia-embassy.net/iservice.nsf/asia.html?OpenPage&Start=1&Count=50&Expand=26



General Information

Located on the southern half of the Korean Peninsula, the territory of the Republic of Korea (South Korea, or ROK) covers nearly 100,000 square kilometers. Home to a population of over 50 million, South Korea is the third most densely populated country in the world. ROK is a highly developed, stable and democratic republic with a modern economy. Local climate is continental, with cold winters fed by Siberian airstreams and moist, hot summers fed by typhoon winds from the southern Pacific. The South Korean tourism industry is well-established and visitor friendly; tourist facilities are widely available throughout the country.

Source: http://travel.state.gov/travel/cis_pa_tw/cis/cis_1018.html#entry_requirements
http://travel.state.gov/travel/cis_pa_tw/cis/cis_1018.html#entry_requirements
http://travel.state.gov/travel/cis_pa_tw/cis/cis_1018.html#entry_requirements
http://travel.state.gov/travel/cis_pa_tw/cis/cis_1018.html#entry_requirements
http://travel.state.gov/travel/cis_pa_tw

Tourist Visa Policy of the Republic of Korea

Any foreign visitors wishing to enter the Republic of Korea must have a valid passport and obtain a Korean visa from Korean Embassies or Consulates before travelling to Korea. However, citizens of 99 countries who want to visit Korea temporarily are permitted to enter without a visa according to visa-exemption agreements [Table 1] or in accordance with principles reciprocity or national interest [Table 2]. Also those that fall in the following categories will be allowed to enter Korea without a visa: frequent visitors, transit tourist bound for another country, Europe bound Chinese transit tourists, special entry arrangements for the Jeju Island, re-entry permit holders, holders of passport issued by recognised international organisations (Laissez-Passer), and APEC Business Travel Card holders.

[Table 1] Countries under Visa Exemption Agreements

Country/Period (days)	Country/Period (days)	Country/Period (days)
Europe		
Austria/90	Belgium/90	Bulgaria/90
Czech Republic/90	Denmark/90	Estonia/90
Finland/90	France/90	Greece/90
Germany/90	Hungary/90	Iceland/90
Ireland/90	Italy/60*	Liechtenstein/90
Luxembourg/90	Malta/90	Netherlands/90
Norway/90	Portugal/60	Poland/90
Romania/90	Spain/90	Slovak Republic/90
Sweden/90	Switzerland/90	United Kingdom/90

Asia and Oceania		
Bangladesh/90	Israel/90	Malaysia/90
New Zealand/90	Pakistan/90	Singapore/90
Thailand/90		
Americas		
Antigua and Barbuda/90	Bahamas/90	Barbados/90
Brazil/90	Colombia/90	Costa Rica/90
Commonwealth of	Dominican Republic/90	El Salvador/90
Dominica/90		
Grenada/90	Haiti/90	Jamaica/90
Mexico/90	Nicaragua/90	Panama/90
Peru/90	St. Lucia/90	St. Kitts and Nevis/90
St. Vincent & the	Surinam/90	Trinidad and Tobago/90
Grenadines/90		
Africa		
Lesotho/60	Liberia/90	Morocco/90
Tunisia/30		

[Table 2] Countries or Regions under principles of reciprocity and national interest

Country/Period (days)	Country/Period (days)	Country/Period (days)			
Asia					
Brunei/30	Hong Kong/90	Japan/90			
Kuwait/30	Macao/30	Oman/30			
Qatar/30	Saudi Arabia/30	Taiwan/30			
United Arab Emirates/30	Yemen/30				
North America					
Canada/180	United States/90				
South America					
Argentina/90	Chile/90	Guatemala/30			
Honduras/30	Paraguay/303	Uruguay/30			
Venezuela/30					
Europe					
Albania/30	Croatia/90	Cyprus/30			
Latvia/90	Lithuania/90	Monaco/30			
Slovenia/90	Vatican/30				
Oceania					
Australia/90	Fiji/30	Guam/30			
Kiribati/30	Marshall Islands/30	Palau/30			
Nauru/30	New Caledonia/30				
Africa					
Republic of South Africa/30	Swaziland/30				

Visa Waiver (B-1), Tourist in Transit (B-2)

Visitors from countries not under Visa Exemption Agreements must apply for a visa extension if planning to stay for more than 30 days. Depending on the situation of the consulate, the visa extension will be issued 1 to 3 days from the day of application. Applicants require a completed application form, a recent passport-sized colour photo and the application fee. Visitors do not require the outbound flight ticket. Visa extensions are usually for 90 days. All visas including long-term visas are for a single visit. Therefore anyone who wishes to leave the country and reenter later on during the allowed period of stay should obtain the Re-entry Permit from the Ministry of Justice prior to departure.

At present, there is no visa-waiver between ROK and other GTI member countries, with exception to Hong Kong (90 days) and Macao (30 days) Chinese passport holders, as identified in Table 2.

For more information on general ROK visa, please refer to the indicated references.

References on ROK Tourist Visa

Official website of ROK	http://www.korea.net
ROK Embassy in Beijing	http://china.koreanembassy.cn/
	http://rus-moscow.mofat.go.kr/kor/eu/rus- moscow/consul/visa/index.jsp
Korea Tourism Organization	http://english.visitkorea.or.kr/
Korea Tourist Association	http://www.koreatravel.or.kr
Korea Tourism Research Institute	http://www.ktri.re.kr
Korea Association of General Travel Agents	http://www.kata.or.kr
Korea Hotel Association	http://hotelskorea.or.kr/kor
Foundation For The Preservation Of Cultural Properties, Korea	http://www.fpcp.or.kr

3.1 ROK Tourist Visa for Chinese Citizens

Table: Types of Tourist Visa, Duration, Fee

Types of Tourist Visa	Visa Fee	Embassy/Consular Office	
	Duration 3 working days		
Single-entry		ROK Consulate Office in Beijing	
Validity 90 days	RMB 210	No. 14, South Liangmahe Road, Dongzhimenwaidajie	
	USD	Chaoyang District, Beijing, China	
Double-entry		Tel: (86-10) 6532-6774/6775	
Validity 90 days	RMB 350	Fax: (86-10) 6532-6778/6723	
	USD	http://www.koreanembassy.cn	
Multiple-entry		chinaconsul@mofat.go.kr	
Validity 90 days	RMB 560		
	USD	ROK Consulate Office in Shenyang	
		No. 37, South 13 Latitude Road, Heping District,	
		Shenyang, Liaoning, CHINA	
		Tel: 86-24-2385-3388	
		Fax: 86-24-2385-5170	
		http://chn-shenyang.mofat.go.kr/	
		shenyang@mofat.go.kr	
		*4 working days for group	

Note:

- There is no express visa process information provided by ROK consulate in Beijing on 09 March 2010.
- Chinese Tourism Group: Amount equivalent to \$10 (USD) per person EXCEPTIONS: Mongolia, Limited to diplomatic/official passport holders of visa issued for more than 31 days.
- 4 working days for group

Source: http://www.koreanembassy.cn

Documents Required for Tourist Visa Application

1. Valid Passport:

Valid passport with sufficient blank pages for any visa stamps. The passport's expiration date must be greater than six months from the date of entry for the visa you are applying for. If your passport does not meet the requirements, you must renew your passport or obtain a new one.

2.Complete Application Form:

One completed and signed copy of the visa application form¹⁵.

¹⁵ Visa Application Forms of GTI countries is attached in Part III Annex of this study. Source: http://www.visa4you.net/korea-tourist-visa.html accessed on 15 February 2010.

3.Photographs:

One passport photograph.

4. Travel Documentation:

A copy of round trip airline tickets or itinerary.

ROK Embassy & Consulates in China

EMBASSY OF THE ROK IN BEIJING

No.20 DongfangdongLu

Chaoyang District, Beijing, China

City: Beijing

Phone: (+86 10) 85310700 (+86 10) 85310700

Fax: (+86 10) 85310726

Web Site: http://china.koreanembassy.cn/ Email: webmaster@koreanembassy.cn

Office Hours: Office hours: 9:00am-12:00am 14:00pm-18:00pm

General Consulate of the ROK in Shanghai

No.60, wanshang road, Shanghai

City: Shanghai

Phone: +86-21-62955000 +86-21-62955000 ,62952639/

Fax: +86-21-62955191,62952629

Web Site: http://shanghai.mofat.go.kr/eng/as/shanghai/mission/greetings/index.jsp

Email: shanghai@mofat.go.kr

Office Hours: Open Mon-Fri 9am-12pm, 2-5:30pm

Consulate General of the ROK in Hong Kong

5-6, Floors, Far East Finance Centre

16 Harcourt Road

Central Hong Kong City: Hong Kong

Phone: (+852) 25294141 (+852) 25294141

Fax: (+852) 28663420

Web Site: http://www.mofat.go.kr/en_hongkong.htm

Email: korcon@netvigator.com

Source: <u>http://www.embassiesabroad.com/embassies-of/SouthKorea#1938</u>

3.2 ROK Tourist Visa for Russian Citizens

Table: Types of Tourist Visa, Duration, Fee

updated 15.January 2010

Types of Tourist Visa	Visa Fee Duration 3-7 working days	Embassy/Consular Office
Single-entry Validity 90 days	USD 30	ROK Embassy in Moscow St. Plyushchikha 56 bldg 1, Moscow, Russia Tel: (7-495)783-2727 Fax: (7-495)783-2777, (7-495)783-2797 http://rus-moscow.mofat.go.kr embru@mofat.go.kr

Note:

- There is no express visa process.
- The Embassy only takes US currency.
- Tour Groups gets only 15 days of visa validity.
- One visa type for tourists.
- For further details on Visa Fees please contact the ROK embassy indicated in the source.

Source: http://rus-moscow.mofat.go.kr/kor/eu/rus-moscow/consul/visa/index.jsp

Documents Required for Tourist Visa Application

1. Valid Passport:

Valid passport with sufficient blank pages for any visa stamps. The passport's expiration date must be greater than six months from the date of entry for the visa you are applying for. If your passport does not meet the requirements, you must renew your passport or obtain a new one.

2.Complete Application Form:

One completed and signed copy of the visa application form¹⁶.

3.Photographs:

One passport photograph.

4. Travel Documentation:

A copy of round trip airline tickets or itinerary.

¹⁶ Visa Application Forms of GTI countries is attached in Part III Annex of this study.

ROK Embassy & Consulates in Russia

EMBASSY OF THE ROK IN MOSCOW

Ul. Alexeya Tolstova 14

Moscow

Russian Federation City: Moscow

Phone: (+7-495) 2033850 (+7-495) 2033850

Fax: (+7-495) 9563945

Source: http://www.embassiesabroad.com/embassies-of/SouthKorea#18024

3.3 ROK Tourist Visa for Mongolian Citizens

ROK Tourist Visa for Mongolian Citizens

Types of Tourist Visa	Visa Fee Duration 14 working days	Embassy/Consular Office
Single-entry Validity 90 days	USD 30	ROK Embassy in Ulaanbaatar Olympic St.10, Sukhbaatar District, Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia Tel: (976-11) 32-1548 Fax: (976-11) 31-1157 http://mng.mofat.go.kr kormg@mofat.go.kr

Note:

- There is no express visa process.
- Applications should be submitted between 09:30-12:00 and visas can be picked up between 16:30-18:00
- Embassy accepts only US currency.
- For further details on Visa Fees please contact the ROK embassy indicated in the source.

Source: http://mng.mofat.go.kr/kor/as/mng/consul/visa/index.jsp

Documents Required for Tourist Visa Application

1. Valid Passport:

Valid passport with sufficient blank pages for any visa stamps. The passport's expiration date must be greater than six months from the date of entry for the visa you are applying for. If your passport does not meet the requirements, you must renew your passport or obtain a new one.

2. Complete Application Form:

One completed and signed copy of the visa application form¹⁷.

¹⁷ Visa Application Forms of GTI countries is attached in Part III Annex of this study.

3.Photographs:

One passport photograph.

4. Travel Documentation:

A copy of round trip airline tickets or itinerary

ROK Embassy & Consulates in Mongolia

EMBASSY OF THE ROK IN ULAAN BAATAR

C.P.O.Box 1039 Karl Marx Street 10 Sukhbaatar District Ulaanbaatar Mongolia

City: Ulaanbaatar

Phone: (+976-11) 321548 (+976-11) 321548, 310153

Fax: (+976-11) 311157 Email: kormg@mofat.go.kr

Source: http://www.embassiesabroad.com/embassies-of/SouthKorea#18000

Mongolia



General Information

Mongolia's vast terrain covers more than 1.5 million square kilometers, yet with fewer than 3 million residents, it is the most sparsely populated state in the world. Unaffected by oceanic weather systems, Mongolia's climate is cool and continental with an exceptionally high count of sunny days per year across its mountains, deserts, lakes and grasslands.

Source: https://travel.state.gov/travel/cis_pa_tw/cis/cis_973.html
https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/geos/mg.html

Landlocked but not isolated, Mongolia has a strong outward-looking democracy and its economy is growing quickly, due largely to its abundance in minerals and other natural resources. Tourism is emerging as a key feature of the economy, and eco-tourism in particular has taken hold across Mongolia's pristine natural landscape.

Tourist Visa Policy of Mongolia

Visas are required for all non-Mongolian nationals, except the nationals of the USA visiting for the purposes of tourism may enter Mongolia without a visa for up to three months or 90 days. Nationals of Cuba, Malaysia, and Israel may visit for one month, nationals of the Philippines may stay in Mongolia for up to three weeks, and Hong Kong and Singapore nationals may visit for two weeks. Beyond these concessions, all visitors to Mongolia must apply for a visa.

Visas are available from the Mongolian embassy of the applicant's country. If there is no Mongolian embassy in the applicant's country, one month visas can be obtained upon arrival at the airport or railway station, with a visa fee of USD 53.¹⁸

All Mongolian visa applications must be accompanied by a valid passport from the country of residence as well as proof of residence if the candidate is living outside their country of origin. The validity of the passport must extend beyond the grant of the visa. Candidates will also need to provide evidence of their ability to financially support themselves during their time in Mongolia and must also provide onward or return travel documents. ¹⁹

Mongolian tourist visas are short-term, which oblige their holders to return to their country of residence on or before expiry of the permit. Tourists wishing to stay over 30 days up to 90 days, a letter of invitation from a travel agency of Mongolia. If traveling on a personal invitation of a citizen of Mongolia, an invitation approved by the Office of Immigration, Naturalisation and Foreign Citizens of Mongolia, and applicant's written statement concerning the traveler's financial credibility to cover their stay in Mongolia. For those passing Mongolia in transit, onward ticket and visa for next destination are required.

¹⁸ Source: <u>http://www.discovermongolia.mn/mongolian_visa.htm</u> accessed on 18 Jan. 2010.

¹⁹ Source: http://www.globalvisas.com/worldwide_visas/mongolia_visa.html accessed on 18 Jan.2010.

Until 1997, individual tourists wishing to visit Mongolia needed a letter of invitation from either a Mongolian citizen of a foreign resident before being granted a visa. Since then the visa regime has been greatly liberalised with a resultant increase in tourism.²⁰

For more information on general Mongolian visa, please refer to the indicated references.

Mongolia

Government Organizations of Mongolia (in Mongolian)	www.pmis.gov.mnM
Mongolian Embassy Website	http://www.mongolembassy.com/
Embassy of Mongolia in China, with links to Mongolian government constitutions	http://www.mongolembassychina.org/
Discover Mongolia	http://www.discovermongolia.mn
Mongolia Visa HQ	http://mongolia.visahq.com/embassy/Russia/
Komex	http://www.komex.or.kr

4.1 Mongolian Tourist Visa for Chinese Citizens

Mongolian Tourist Visa for Chinese Citizens

Types of Tourist Visa	Visa Fee		Embassy/Consular Office
	Regular 5 working days	Express 1 working day	
Single Entry and Exit			Embassy of Mongolia Beijing
	RMB 270	RMB 495	No.2 Xinshui Beijie, Jianguomenwai Dajie,
Double Entry and Exit			Chaoyang Distric, Beijing 100600
	RMB 520	RMB 970	Tel: 010-6532-1203
Single Transit			Fax: 010-6532-6216
	RMB 180	RMB 315	
Double Transit			
	RMB 315	RMB 585	
Multiple Entry and Exit			
validity 6 month	RMB 630	RMB 1,215	
validity 12 month	RMB 1,215	RMB 2,385	

Note:

- The opening hours for the Visa Section. Monday - Friday 9:00 - 11:00

Source: http://www.mongolembassychina.org/index.php?module=content&pid=99 accessed on 26 Jan. 2010

⁻ Application can be submitted to the Consulate of Mongolia in person or by authorised representatives

²⁰ Eagles, Paul F. J., Margaret E. Bowman <u>Guidelines for tourism in parks and protected areas of East Asia</u> p 23 2005

Documents Required for Tourist Visa Application

- 1. Valid passport that is at least 6 months valid on the date of entry to Mongolia
- 2. One passport sized photo
- 3. Completed visa application form²¹
- 4. Either an invitation of the receiving entity (state, government, non-governmental organisation, business entity) or an official request of the sending country and the organisation.

Special Notes on Visa Regulations

List of countries and regions with non-visa regime for all types of passport holders

- 1. Hong Kong 14 days for all type of passports. There is no visa fee for diplomatic and official passports. Ordinary passport holders pay visa fee if they travel for more than 14 days.
- 2. Israel 30 days for all type of passports
- 3. Kazakhstan 90 days for all type of passports
- 4. Malaysia 1 month for all type of passports
- 5. Philippines 21 days for all type of passports
- 6. Singapore 14 days for all type of passports

List of countries without visa fee

- 1. India All type of passports need a visa, no visa applications, photos and fees required
- 2. USA- no visa for all type of passport holders, including A, H, J visas within 90 days.

Visit more than 90 days need visa, service charge - \$131, no visa fee required

Mongolia has consular conventions with the following countries:

Afghanistan, Bulgaria, China, Cuba, Czech Republic, DPRK, Hungary, Laos, Romania, Russia, United Kingdom, USA, Vietnam, Yugoslavia.

Mongolia has treaties on mutual legal assistance with the following countries:

Bulgaria, China, Cuba, Czech, DPRK, France, Germany, Hungary, India, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Poland, ROK, Romania, Russia, Turkey, Ukraine, Yugoslavia, Vietnam

Source: http://www.mongolianembassy.us/consular and visa/list of countries with no visa

¹ Visa Application Forms of GTI countries is attached in Part III Annex of this study.

Source: http://www.theschengenoffice.com/mongolia_tourist_visa.php___accessed on 15 February 2010.

Mongolian Embassy & Consulates in China:

EMBASSY OF MONGOLIA IN BEIJING

Address: No.2, Xiu Shui Bei Jie, Jian Guo Men Wai Da Jie

Postal Code: 100600

Tel: (+86)10 6532 1203 (+86)10 6532 1203, 6532 6513 (On-Duty)

Fax: (+86)10 6532 5045

E-mail: mail@mongolembassychina.org

Website: http://www.mongolembassychina.org/index.php

Consular Office

Tel: (+86)10 6532 6216 (+86)10 6532 6216 E-mail: <u>badmaanyambuu@mongolembassychina.org</u>

odbayar@mongolembassychina.org

Visa Office:

Tel: (+86)10 6532 6512 (+86)10 6532 6512 ext. 120, 106, 108

Fax: (+86)10 6532 6216

Office Hours: 9:00a.m.-11:00a.m. Mon.-Fri.

Consulate General of the Mongolia in Hohhot

Address: Unit 1, Building 5, Wulan Residential Area, Saihan District, Hohhot 010020

Tel: +86-471-4923819 +86-471-4923819, 4303266, 4303254

Fax: +86-471-4303250

Consular Area: Inner Mongolia Autonomous Region

Consulate General of the Mongolia in Erlianhaote

Address: No. 1206, Friendship Bei Lu, Erlianhaote, 011100 Tel: +86-479-7539200 +86-479-7539202

Fax: +86-479-7539200

Consular Areas: Erlianhaote, Hulunbeier, Xilinguolengmeng, Xinganmeng

Source: http://www.travelchinaguide.com/embassy/foreign/beijing/mongolia.htm

4.2 Mongolian Tourist Visa for Russian Citizens

Mongolian Tourist Visa for Russian Citizens

Types of Tourist Visa	Visa Fee			Embassy/Consular Office
	Regular 5 working days	Urgent 3 working days	Express 1 working day	
Single Entry				Embassy of Mongolia in Moscow
validity 3 month	USD 40	USD 60	USD 80	Moscow 121069, ul.Borisoglebsky Per. 11,
Single Entry and Exit				Embassy of Mongolia, Russia
validity 3 month	USD 50	USD 70	USD 100	
Double Entry and Exit				Tel: 007-095-290-6792, 007-095-290-6792,
validity 3 month	USD 80	USD 100	USD 160	007-095-244-7867, 007-095-244-7867
Multiple Entry and Exit				Consul)
validity 6 month	USD 90	USD 140	USD 180	Fax: 007-095-291-4636
validity 12 month	USD 150	USD 200	USD 300	E-mail:mongolia@online.ru
Transit				
Single transit	USD 50	USD 70	USD 100	
Double transit	USD 80	USD 120	USD 160	
Multi transit for 1 year	USD 100	USD 150	USD 200	

Source: http://www.mongolianembassy.ru/deadline.html accessed on 03 Mar. 2010

Documents Required for Tourist Visa Application

- 1. Valid passport that is at least 6 months valid on the date of entry to Mongolia
- 2. One passport sized photo
- 3. Completed visa application form²²
- 4. Applications for a **Tourist visa** must be accompanied by either a copy of the travel itinerary showing arrival and departure dates; a copy of the letter from the tour company if on an organised tour, or a covering letter explaining the travel arrangements and intended dates of arrival in, and departure from, Mongolia.

Special Notes on Visa Regulations

Visas are valid for 90 days from the date of issue and you can enter Mongolia at any time up to the last date on the visa. The 90 day period does not need to cover the whole time in country, so long as you have entered before the last date shown on the visa.

Applications for a **Tourist Visa** (Category J) must be accompanied by at least one of: (i) a copy of the applicant's travel itinerary; (ii) if on an organised tour, a copy of a letter from the tour organising company indicating the dates of the tour; or (iii) if the applicant has not yet finalised travel arrangements, a letter indicating when the applicant will arrive and depart from Mongolia and the mode of travel.

²² Visa Application Forms of GTI countries is attached in Part III Annex of this study.

A double-entry tourist visa is also available, but <u>only</u> where the traveller is making a side trip from Mongolia and returning within a short time. The double-entry visa <u>cannot</u> be used to make two separate trips to Mongolia.

Transit visas are for train travellers only and you cannot leave the train while in Mongolia.

Multiple-entry Visas Multiple entry visas are available for Business or Work visas. Multiple-entry visas can <u>only</u> be obtained from a Mongolian Embassy, such as in Beijing, or from the Office for Immigration, Naturalisation and Foreign Citizens (OINFC) in Ulaanbaatar. These are issued to people who have work-related reasons to regularly travel to and from Mongolia. When applying for a multiple-entry visa the applicant should have a letter of support from the company or individual in Mongolia with whom they are regularly working.

Source: http://www.mongolembassychina.org/index.php?module=content&pid=99 accessed on 26 Jan. 2010

Mongolian Embassy & Consulates in Russia:

EMBASSY OF MONGOLIA IN MOSCOW

Moscow 121069, ul. Borisoglebsky Per. 11, Embassy of Mongolia, Russia

Tel: 007-095-290-6792 007-095-290-6792, 007-095-244-7867 007-095-244-7867 (Consul)

Fax: 007-095-291-4636 E-mail:mongolia@online.ru

Consulate General of Mongolia in Irkutsk

Irkutsk, St. Lapina-11, Consulate Generalof Mongolia

Tel: 007-3952-342145 007-3952-342145 Fax: 007-3952-342143

E-mail:irconsul@angara.ru

Consulate General of Mongolia in Ulaan-Ude

Ulaan-Ude, St. Erbanova-12, "Baikal" Hotel Consulate General of Mongolia

Tel: 007-301-2215275 007-301-2215275 /consul/, 007-301-2220499 007-301-2220499

Fax: 007-301-2214188 E-mail:<u>mnc@burnet.ru</u>

Consulate General of Mongolia in Kyzyl

Tel: 007-39422-10430 007-39422-10430

Fax: 007-39422-10445

Source: http://www.mongolianconsulate.com.au/visas/index.shtml.

4.3 Mongolian Tourist Visa for ROK Citizens

Mongolian Tourist Visa for ROK Citizens

Types of Tourist Visa Visa Fee				Embassy/Consular Office
	Regular 3 working days	Express 1 working day*	Urgent 1 hour	
Single Entry and Exit validity 3 month	KRW 48,000	KRW 76,000	KRW 81,000	Embassy of Mongolia in Seoul Mongolia Visa Application Centre 28-12 Hannam dong, Yongsan-gu Usok budiling #302, Seoul
Double Entry and Exit validity 3 month	KRW 49,000	KRW 88,000	KRW 93,000	Tel: 02 -798-6671~2 Fax: 02-798-6669 mongol7@kornet.net / mongol6@kornet.net
				Consulate of Mongolia in Seoul Jung-gu Jang-chung dong 2-ga 186- 39 Jang-chung building No 701, Seoul Tel: 070-7733-7155,6 Fax: 02-2279-7153 www.komex.or.kr

Note:

- Working hours: 09.30am ~12.00 pm, 14:00 pm~16:00pm (M-F), (Closed on weekends and public holidays)
- Within the afternoon if applied in the morning, if applied in the evening can pick up in the following morning
- Entry visa to Mongolia can be applied both in the Embassy of Mongolia and at the Honorary Consulate in Seoul
- Application can be submitted in person or by mail.

Source: http://www.mongolembassy.com/
http://www.komex.or.kr/

Documents Required for Tourist Visa Application

- 1. Valid passport that is at least 6 months valid on the date of entry to Mongolia
- 2. One passport sized photo
- 3. Completed visa application form²³
- 4. Either an invitation of the receiving entity (state, government, non-governmental organisation, business entity) or an official request of the sending country and the organisation.

Special Notes on Tourist Visa Regulations

1. Visas are valid for 90 days from the date of issuance. The duration of your stay in the country starts from the entry date to Mongolia.

²³ Visa Application Forms of GTI countries is attached in Part III Annex of this study.

- 2. Visa for more than 90 days /multi entry-exit/ entry will be issued with a permit from the Office of Naturalization and Immigration Services of Mongolia and Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade of Mongolia.
- 3. Those who will stay in Mongolia over 31 days are required to be registered at the Office of Naturalization and Immigration Services within 7 days upon arrival. Please contact the persons/organizations who invited you to Mongolia on this matter.
- 4. Visas are processed within 5-7 working days. Emergency visas can be processed within 24 hours for additional fee

<u>Visa waiver agreements for the citizens of the following countries:</u>

- 1. The United States of America with a stay of 90 days at most.
- 2. The Republic of Singapore with a stay of 14 days at most.
- 3. The Republic of Philippines with a stay of 21 days at most.
- 4. The Malaysia with a stay of 30 days at most.
- 5. The Israel with a stay of 30 days at most.
- 6. The Republic of Cuba with a stay of 30 days at most.

Source: http://www.globalvisas.com/worldwide_visas/mongolia_visa.html accessed on 18 Jan.2010.

Mongolian Embassy & Consulates in ROK:

EMBASSY OF MONGOLIA IN SEOUL

Add: 33-5 Hannam-Dong, Yongsan-gu, Seoul, ROK

Tel: 0082-2-7983464 0082-2-7983464, Fax: 0082-2-7947605

E-mail: mongol5@kornet.net

Website: http://www.mongolembassy.com

Source: http://www.mongolembassy.com



Democratic People's Republic of Korea



General Information

The Democratic Peoples' Republic of Korea (North Korea, or DPRK) is located in the northern half of the Korean Peninsula. North Korea's population is estimated at 24 million and is known as one of the most ethnically and linguistically homogenous states in the world. Characterised by a temperate climate, the DPRK terrain is made up of hills and mountains with wide coastal plains in the west. About 2000 Westerners visit the country each **Tourists** accompanied are government-approved guides on tours conducted in the visitors' language.

Source: http://travel.state.gov/travel/cis pa tw/cis/cis 988.html http://www.lonelyplanet.com/north-korea

Tourist Visa Policy of DPRK

Tourism in North Korea is organised by the state owned Tourism Organisation. Every group of travelers as well as individual tourists/visitors are permanently accompanied by one or two guides who normally speak the mother language of the tourist. While tourism has increased over the last few years, tourists from Western countries remain few.

The majority of the tourists who visit come from China, Malaysia, Europe, Russia, Japan, North America and Australasia. US citizens can visit under the same conditions as Europeans and can go at any time, whereas ROK nationals cannot visit as tourists.

In the area of the Kumgangsan-mountains, the company Hyundai established and operates a special Tourist area. Traveling to this area is also possible for South Koreans and US citizens, but only in organized groups from South Korea. A special administrative region known as the Kumgangsan Tourist Region exists for this purpose. Trips to the region have been temporarily suspended since late 2008.

Source: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/North Korea - cite note-102#cite note-102

5.1 DPRK Tourist Visa

Visitors are required to book the tour through specialised DPRK tourism agencies, with the exception of ROK nationals.

DPRK Visa Requirements, Fees, Duration

The following documents are required for DPRK Tourist Visa Application:

- 1. Valid Passport
- 2. Visa Application Form
- 3. Two recent passport size photos.
- 4. For information on visa and tour fees, please consult the indicated travel agencies provided in the reference.
- Applicants need to apply through a tour agency (you cannot get a visa without booking a tour)
- The visa process takes around 10 days

Special Notes on Visa Regulations

Notices for Chinese Applying for Visa to North Korea

China and DPRK signed a tourism agreement in 2008 and since then DPRK is officially on China's list of ADS (Approved Destination System). However, starting from 12th April 2010, it will be the first time for Chinese travellers to visit DPRK on tourist visas. According to a press release on the National Tourism Administration's website, five travel agencies in Beijing are able to arrange such trips. As many as 200 Chinese tourists are expected to leave Beijing to the DPRK. Prior to the establishment of the China-DPRK tourism cooperation, estimated 30,000 Chinese visited DPRK annually, which covered over 90 percent of the country's foreign visitors.²⁴

- 1. According to the agreement between D.P.R.K and China, Chinese Diplomatic/Service Passport Holders and Ordinary Passport for Public Affaires Holders are exempt from visa to North Korea. But they must be invited by concerned authorities of North Korea.
- 2. Chinese Ordinary Passport (National Passport) holders should apply for a visa in D.P.R.K Embassy in Beijing or Consulate General in Shenyang. After they successfully gain a visa, they can enter North Korea.
- 3. For the purpose of visiting relatives and friends, applicants should first get a Consent Form issued by D.P.R.K Immigration Office. The Consent Form can be applied by relatives or friends in North Korea.
- 4. For the purpose of business, applicants should first get the Invitation Letter of Reception Entity of North Korea. For more information about visa application, they can consult the Reception Entity.
- 5. Contrary to China, the D.P.R.K Visa Regulations ask immigrants enter and leave in the visa's period of validity. It is illegal to sojourn in North Korea if the visa is expired.

Source: http://www.korea-discovery.com/en/articles.php?article_id=2

Other notes:

- You cannot travel to DPRK from ROK directly and vice versa.
- According to law of DPRK for professional journalists and photographers (full or part-time) traveling to North Korea with tourist visas is prohibited. They have to obtain special permission.

Source: http://www.korea-discovery.com/en/articles.php?article_id=2

For more information on general DPRK visa, please refer to the indicated references.

²⁴ National Tourism Administration Website: http://en.cnta.gov.cn/

DPRK

DPRK Website	http://www.korea-dpr.com/
Koryo Tours	http://www.koryogroup.com/
Travel China Guide – North Korea	http://www.travelchinaguide.com/embassy/foreign/beijing/northkorea.htm
US Department of State	http://travel.state.gov/travel/cis_pa_tw/cis/cis_988.html
Shilla Travel	http://www.shilla.nl

Contacts of travel agencies specialising in DPRK tours

KORYO TOURS

Address:

27 Beisanlitun Nan (East Courtyard), Chaoyang District Beijing 100027 PR China

Office tel: +86 10 6416 7544
Office fax: +86 10 6415 2653
Mobile phone Nick: +86 136 2109 9277
Mobile phone Simon: +86 136 7129 2812
Mobile phone Catherine: +86 134 3947 3698

General information: info@koryogroup.com
Reservations: tours@koryogroup.com
Website: http://www.koryogroup.com/

Shilla Travel (Netherlands)

Address: Niasstraat 1, 3531 WR. Utrecht, The Netherlands Tel: +31 (0)30 271 7692 or +31 (0)30 272 1384

Fax: +31 (0)30 272 0279 Email: info@shilla.nl

Website: http://www.shilla.nl/Default.aspx?language=2

Explore (UK)

Tel: +44 (0)845 013 1537
Email: res@explore.co.uk
Website: http://www.explore.co.uk/

DPRK Embassy & Consulates in China

EMBASSY OF THE DPRK IN BEIJING

Address: No. 11, Ri Tan Bei Lu, Jian Guo Men Wai, Chaoyang District

Postal Code: 100600

Tel: (+86)10 6532 1186 (+86)10 6532 1186

For Diplomatic Delegation: (+86)10 6532 0683 (+86)10 6532 0683 For Protocol Service: (+86)10 6532 1154 (+86)10 6532 1154 For Military Attaché's Office: (+86)10 6532 5769 (+86)10 6532 5769

For Economic & Commercial Section: (+86)10 6532 5518 (+86)10 6532 5518

For **Visa Office:** (+86)10 6532 6639

Consulate General of the DPRK in Shenyang

Address: Bei Ling Da Jie (Beiling Avenue), Huanggu District, Shenyang 110034

Tel: +86-24-8685 2742 +86-24-8685 2742

Fax: +86-24-8685 8432

Consular Districts: Jilin Province, Liaoning Province, Heilongjiang Province

* More Information about the Consulate General

The Consulate General is established in the Holiday Village of East Lake of Shengyang. Besides the consul general, there are 14 consuls in charge of affaires of the North Koreans in China, of joint venture between D.P.R.K and China, of relations with China's party, politics, army, customs and public security. This consulate was opened on September 6, 1986.

Source; http://www.travelchinaguide.com/embassy/foreign/beijing/northkorea.htm

Chinese Embassy & Consulates in DPRK:

EMBASSY OF THE PRC IN PYONGYANG

Address: Kinmaul-dong, Moranbong District, Pyongyang, D.P. R of Korea

Tel: +850-2-3813116 +850-2-3813116

Fax: +850-2-3813425

Email: chinaemb_kp@mfa.gov.cn
Website: http://kp.chineseembassy.org/eng/

Office Hours: 09:00-12:00, 15:00-17:30, Monday-Friday (except holidays)

Consular Office

Tel: +850-2-3813116 +850-2-3813116, 3823122

Fax: +850-2-3813422

Office Hours: 10:00-12:00, Monday-Friday (except holidays)

Reception Time for Overseas Chinese: 15:00-17:00, Wednesday (except holidays)

Consular Districts: Pyongyang, Kaesong, Nampo, South Pyongan Province, North Pyongan Province, South

Hwanghae Province, North Hwanghae Province, Chagang Province, Kangwon Province

Consulate-General of the People's Republic of China in Chongjin

Address: Sinam District Sinamdong Chonmasan Hotel, Chongjin City, North Korea

Tel/Fax: +850-73-230401 +850-73-230401 Email: chinaconsul chi kp@mfa.gov.cn

Consular Districts: North Hamgyeong, South Hamgyeong, Ryanggang Province

Consular Department

Tel: +850-2-3813116 +850-2-3813116 (call from Chinese territory)

+850-2-3823122 +850-2-3823122 (call from D.P.R.K. territory)

Office Hours:

For Visa, Passport, Notarization, Authentication, Travel Document, Payment and Delivery: 10:00-12:00, Monday to Friday

Visit Hours of Chinese Compatriots Residing in Chongjin: 15:00-17:00, on Wednesday

Visit Hours of Chinese Compatriots Residing out of Chongjin are at any time during the weekdays.

Source: http://www.travelchinaguide.com/embassy/korea.htm

Russian Embassy & Consulates in DPRK:

EMBASSY OF THE RUSSIA IN PYONGYANG

Address: DPRK, Phyonyang, Chungkuyok, Sinyang-dong, Tesagwan of Russian

Phone: +8502 381-3101 +8502 381-3101

Telex: (899) 5344 EMSU KP Fax: +8502 381-3427

Email: rusembdprk@yahoo.com
Website: http://www.dprk.mid.ru/

Consular department:

Phone: +8502 381-3101 +8502 381-3101

Telex: 89935002 Fax: +8502 381-3427

Consulate General of Russia in Chongjin

Address: DPRK, Chondjin Consulate General of Russian Federation

Phone: (+85073) 23-02-03 (+85073) 23-02-03

Telex: (899) 24053 Fax: (+85073) 23-08-03

Source: http://www.russia-embassy.net/

CONCLUSION

Summary

This study outlined the **GTI tourism visa** framework in three steps. The first part provided an introduction of the GTI tourism sector and the background of the visa study. The second part provided an overview of tourism visa policies and procedures in the GTI countries and the DPRK. This section entailed visa policies and procedures of each country, including information on visa processing fees, duration, documents required for tourist visa application, special notes on tourist visa regulations, key references and contacts of embassy and consulates. Visas are required for all foreign visitors wishing to enter the GTI countries and the DPRK, unless visa-exemption agreement is established. Visa processing fee and duration differs depending on where the application is processed.

For visitors entering <u>China</u>, a valid passport, completed visa application form, passport photo and a valid Invitation Letter offered by a Travel Agency that is authorised by Chinese Government, are required for tourist visa application.

Russia requires both an entry and exit visas from all tourists spending more than three days in the Russian Federation. In Russia, all visa applications must undergo a two-step process; firstly, visa support documentation must be obtained, after which at the Russian visas may be applied for. Documents required for Russian tourist visa application are a valid passport, two completed visa application form, two passport-sized photos and a confirmation of hotel arrangements from authorised Russian travel company, which show the reference number and confirmation number for the visa.

For visitors entering the <u>ROK</u>, a valid passport, completed visa application form, passport-sized photo and a Travel Documentation such as a *c*opy of round trip airline tickets or itinerary, are required for tourist visa application.

<u>Mongolia</u> requests tourist visa applicants to provide a hotel booking confirmation and travel itinerary showing arrival and departure dates. To obtain these documents, the visa applicant is required to purchase prepare travel documents arrangements prior to obtaining a visa. Other documents required for Mongolian tourist visa application include a valid passport, completed visa application form and a passport-sized photo. Mongolia has limited information channels providing visa regulation and visa forms to potential travel markets.

Tourism in the <u>DPRK</u> is organised by the state owned Tourism Organisation. Visitors are required to book the tour through specialised DPRK tourism agencies, with the exception of ROK nationals. Documents required for visa application include a valid passport, completed visa application form and two passport-sized photos.

Although efforts towards streamlining visa processes to facilitate easier tourist access have been made, there still exists tangible capacity for more efficient service to visa applicants in the region, hence attracting greater number of tourists and foreign investors into the region.

Visa procedures in GTI countries are quite complicated and the rules not harmonised. The visa complexity in GTI remains a barrier for both tourist and businessmen to entry GTI countries.

Recommendation

To promote tourism in Northeast Asia, the Greater Tumen Region should be branded and promoted as a single tourism destination. This would be possible only with easy visa procedures in GTI countries. The GTI visa-free regime would be recommended in the future to promote the internal tourism in GTI.

This report recommends maximum collaboration between GTI countries concerning tourism visa issue as the key to facilitating sustainable tourism within the entire region and to cooperate with other GTI countries towards achieving the following three goals:

- To simplify and harmonise visa procedures and requirements
- To facilitate **joint training and cooperation** of GTI related authorities
- To initiate a visa-free regime for GTI tourists

It is recommended that the GTI members undertake the framework of a common vision in standardising and simplifying visa procedures and requirements, in order to make the common vision a reality. The standardization of visa procedures would increase the speed of visa issuing and thereby save the resources needed for these procedures in each GTI country. This would lead to a streamlined process that is easily applicable through a central website, private suppliers and other communication channels. The simplification and harmonisation of visa procedures in GTI countries would promote higher tourism inflows in the GTR, as well as the internal GTI tourism exchanges, which ultimately support the region's socio-economic development.

ABBREVIATIONS

BAC	Business Advisory Council
CC	Consultative Commission
DPRK	Democratic Peoples Republic of Korea
GTI	Greater Tumen Initiative
GTR	Greater Tumen Region
NEA	North East Asia
PRC	Peoples Republic of China
ROK	Republic of Korea (South Korea)
ТВ	Tourism Board
UNDP	United Nations Development Programme
UNWTO	United Nations World Tourism Organization

ANNEX 1- VISA APPLICATION FORMS OF GTI COUNTRIES

CHINA

中华人民共和国签证申请表

Visa Application Form of the People's Republic of China

请逐项在空白处用中文或英文大写字母打印填写,或在 □ 打 X 选择 Please type your answer in capital English letters in the spaces provided or check the appropriate box to select.

一、关于你本人的信息/Section 1. Informat	ion About	Yourself				
1.1 外文姓名 / Full Name 姓 / Surname:	姓 / Surname: 中间名 / Middle Name:					
名/ Given Name:		1.2 性别/S	ex	请将1张近期正面免冠、 浅色背景的彩色护照		
				□男/1	M 口女/F	照片粘贴于此
1.3 中文姓名 / Chinese Name if Applicable		1.4 现有目	国籍 / Cur	rent Nationalit	y:	Please affix one recent pass- port style color photo, with
1.5 别名或曾用名 / Other or Former Name:		1.6 曾有国	1籍/Form	ner Nationality	rc	full face, front view, no hat, and against a plain light background
1.7 出生日期 / Date of Birth (YY-MM-DD):	1.8 出 4	主地点(国、省	/市)/Plac	ce (Province/S	tate, Country) of Bir	rth:
1.9 护照种类 □ 外交 / Dip Passport Type □ 其他证件		ther (Please sp		官员 / Service	or Official	普通/Regular
1.10 护照号码 / Passport Number:			1.11 签	发日期 /Date	of Issue (YY-MM-DL	D):
1.12 签发地点(省/市及国家) / Place (Province/S	tate, Country	y) of Issue:	1.13 失	效日期 / Expir	ation Date (YY-MM-	DD):
1.14 当前职业 (可多选) / Your Current Occupati □ 商人 / Businessman □ □ 乘务人员/ Crew Member of Airlines, Trains □ 议员 / Member of Parliament, Congressman □ 其他(请说明) / Other (Please specify):	教师、学生 or Ships	E / Teacher or S	Student			Government Official நீ / Staff of Media Clergy
二、你的赴华旅行 / Section 2. Your Visit to	China					
2.1 申请赴中国主要事由(可多选)/Major Purpo		ır Visit(s) to C	hina:			
□ 旅游/Tourism					Airlines, Trains or S	Ships
□ 探亲 / Visiting Relatives				sident Journali		
□ 商务 /Business Trip □ 过境 /Transit					: Temporary News C Resident Diplomat or	
□ 留学 / Study		□ 官方访问 / Official Visit				
□ 商业演出 / Commercial Performance □ 其他(请说明) / Other (Please specify):	ا ا	□ 任职就业	Ł / Emplo	yment		
一次入出境有效 (3个月内有效) / Single entry valid for 3 months; 二次入出境有效 (6个月内有效) / Double entry valid for 6 months; 二半年内多次入出境有效 / Multi-entry valid for 6 months; 一年内多次入出境有效 / Multi-entry valid for 12 months						
2.3 首次可能抵达中国的日期/Date of Your Fir	rst Possible l	Entry into Chi	na <i>(YY-M</i>	M-DD)		
2.4 预计你一次在华停留的最长天数 / Your Longest Intended Stay in China					Days	
2.5 请按时间顺序列明你访问中国的地点(省及市、县)					
/Please list Counties/Cities and Provinces to in China in a time sequence:	visit					
2.6 办理签证通常需要4个工作日, 你是否想另 交费要求加急或特急服务		_		_		
	/Normally, visa processing takes 4 working days. Do you request express or rush service			na急(2-3 个工作日)/Express for 2-3 Business Days; 寿急(1个工作日)/Rush for 1 Working Day		

三、你的健康状况及以前的国际旅行 / Section 3. Your Health Condition	on and Previous Overseas	s Tour			
3.1 你是否曾经被拒绝颁发中国签证? Have you ever been refused a visa for China?		□否/No □ 是/Yes			
3.2 你是否曾经被拒绝进入或被遣送出中国? Have you ever been refused entry into or deported from China?	□否/No □ 是/Yes				
3.3 你在中国或其他国家是否有犯罪记录? Do you have any criminal record in China or any other country?		□否/No □ 是/Yes			
3.4 你现在是否患有以下任一种疾病 / Do you suffer from any of the followin ① 精神病 / Mental Diseases ② 开放性肺结核 / Open Tuberculosis ② 性病 / Venereal Diseases ③ 蔡與HIV或艾滋病 / HIV Positive or ⑤ 其他传染性疾病 / Other infectious of	· AIDS	□ 否/No □ 是/Yes			
3.5 是否曾经访问中国 / Have you ever visited China before?		□否/No □ 是/Yes			
3.6 对问题3.1 - 3.4 选择"是"并不表示你就无资格申请签证、请说明详细情not lose eligibility for visa application. Please give detailed reasons for your and		question from 3.1 to 3.4, you do			
四、你的联系方式/Section 4. Your Contact Information					
4.1 你的工作单位或学校名称/Name of Your Employer or School:	4.2 单位电话/Office]	Phone Number:			
4.3 你的工作单位或学校地址 / Address of Your Employer or School: 4.4 你的手机 / Cell Phone Number:					
4.5 你的家庭住址 / Your Home Address:	4.6 家庭电话 / Home Phone Number:				
4.7 在华邀请、联系的单位名称或探亲对象的姓名 Name of Inviter, Contact or Your Relative in China: 4.8 在中国联系人电话/Phone Number of Your					
4.9 在华邀请、联系的单位名称或探亲对象的地址 Address of Inviter, Contact or Your Relative in China:	联系的单位名称或探亲对象的地址 inviter, Contact or Your Relative in China:				
五、其他声明事项 / Section 5. Other Declaration 如有其他需要声明事项,请在下面说明 / If there is more information to dec	clare, please give the informa	tion below.			
六、他人代填申请表 / Section 6. Application Form Completed by An 如是他人为你填写签证申请表,请其填写以下栏目 / If this application was a please have that person complete this section		on behalf of you,			
6.1 代填入姓名 / Name of Person Completing the Form:	6.2 与申请人的关系/	Relationship to the Applicant:			
6.3 代填人地址及电话 / Address and Phone Number of that Person:	6.4 代填人签名 / Signa	ature of that Person:			
七、重要事項 / Section 7. Important 我已阅读并理解此表所有问题,并对照片及填报内容的真实性和准确性负责。 任何不实、误导或填写不完整均可能导致签证申请被拒绝或被拒绝进入中国。 I have read and understood all the questions in this application. I shall be which are true and correct. I understand that type of visa, number of entrie consuls, and any false, misleading or incomplete statement may result in the	fully responsible for the ansv es and duration of each stay v	vers and the photo, will be decided by			

申请人签名 / Applicant's Signature: ______ 日期 / Date (YY-MM-DD): ______

RUSSIA

Форма № 95

КОНСУЛЬСТВО (консульский отдел посольства) РОССИИ в

QUESTIONNAIRE

ВИЗОВАЯ АНКЕТА

country

ATTENTION! Please type, or print using ball-point pen. Incorrect information may cause denial of visa, denial of permission to cross the Russia border, or annulment of visa on the Russian territory. ВНИМАНИЕ! Писать четко, обязательно шариковой ручкой или на машинке. Неправильные данные могут повлечь за собой отказ в визе, в пересечении границы России или аннулирование визы на территории России. Place for

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	(in capital letters)					
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REPUBLIC OF KOREA APPLICATION FOR VISA Visa Issuance # ()

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MONGOLIA

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co.	Have you ever been refused a visa or entry clearance at the Mongolian Diplomatic Missions?	☐ Yes ☐ No	If yes, please explain the reasons.						
Background info	Have you ever been deported, removed or otherwise required to leave Mongolia?	☐ Yes ☐ No	If yes, please give the details						
ackgr	Have you ever been deported from another country?	☐ Yes ☐ No	If yes, please give details.						
ű ü	Have you ever got any infectious disease?	☐ Yes ☐ No	If yes, please give details.						
	Have you done HIV test during the last six months?	☐ Yes ☐ No	If yes, please give the results.						
	Emergency contact in applicant's country								
STATE OF STREET	I agree to my personal data on this authorities of Mongolia if necessary	application form i for the issue of vis	being communicated to the appropriate sa						
Commitments	I declare that to the best of my knowledge the above particulars are correct and complete. I am aware that any false statements will lead to my application being rejected or to the annulment of a visa already granted and may also render me liable to prosecution under the law of Mongolia. I undertake to leave the territory of Mongolia upon the expire to the visa, if granted.								
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Appl	icant's signature (In case of minors, sig	mature of parents or quar	dan)						

DPRK

조선민주주의인민공화국 입국사증신청서

사진 2 매 Two recent Photos 4 x 5 cm

VISA APPLICATION FORM for THE DEMOCRATIC PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF KOREA

1. 이름 Name in full	1) Surnam		2) Give	n Name				
2. 성별 Sex	2. 성별 Sex 3. 생년월일 Date of Birth (year-month-day)							
4. 출생지 Place and Country of Birth								
5. 국적 Current Nation	ality		6. 민족별	Origina	al Nationality			
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b. Your permanent residence address/telephone number/fax number/e-mail address								
10. 려행목적 Purpose of traveltourism								
11. 부담관계 Who is paying to your travel to D.P.R. of Korea								
12. 체류 Stay in D.P.F	12. 체류 Stay in D.P.R. of Korea							
체류일수 Duration of Stay 입국날자 Date of Entry 출국날자 Date of Departure					출국날자 Date of Departure			

13. 국경통과지점 Border of Er Pyongyang	13. 국경통과지점 Border of Entry Pyongyang			ans of Transport	
15. 조선민주주의인미공화국 최					
Name of inviting organization	(or compar	ıy), spons	or's name, conta	ct address, telephone number	
Korea International Travel	Korea International Travel Company				
16. 조선민주주의인민공화국방	문정형 Prev	ious visit	of D.P.R of Korea		
a. 방문회수 How many time	es				
b. 방문시일 When (pls. indi	cate the las	st visit to [D.P.R.K)		
c. 초청기관 Invited by	_Korea Inte	ernational	Travel Company_		
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이름 Name	성별 Sex	생년 [.]	월일 Date of birth	본인과의 관계 Relationship	
18. 신청장소 및 날자 Place and Date of Application					
19. 신청자 수표 Applicant's Signature					

* 조선민주주의인민공화국 입국사증신청서는 2 부씩 작성되여 입국 1 개월전에 제출되여야 하며 반드시 초청장이 첨부되여야 한다.

Visa application form for D.P.R. of Korea should be

- applied 1 month before entry and two filled forms each
- attached with the invitation letter

ANNEX 2 - CONDITIONS FOR ENTRY OF FOREIGN NATIONALS IN THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION HOLDING DIPLOMATIC, SERVICE (OFFICIAL, SPECIAL), ORDINARY PASSPORTS

as of May 1, 2010

1.	Abkhazia Afghanistan	without a visa for all types of passports (including internal) visas for all types of passports
3.4.	Albania Algeria	without visas for diplomatic and service passports – up to 90 days without visas for diplomatic and service passports (only for the Embassy staff and their families)
5.	American Samoa	Embassy stair and their families)
6.	Andorra	visas for all types of passports
7.	Angola	without visas for diplomatic and service passports – up to 90 days
8.	_	visas for all types of passports
9.	Argentina	without visas for diplomatic, official and ordinary passports – up to 3 months
10.	Armenia	without a visa for all types of passports
11.	Australia	visas for all types of passports
12.	Austria	without visas for diplomatic passports - up to 90 days
13.	Azerbaijan	without a visa for all types of passports
14.	Bahrain	visas for all types of passports
15.	Bangladesh	visas for all types of passports
16.	Barbados	visas for all types of passports
17.	Belarus	without a visa for all types of passports (including internal)
18.	Belgium	without visas for diplomatic passports - up to 90 days
19.	Belize	visas for all types of passports
20.	Benin	without visas for diplomatic and service passports – up to 90 days
21.	Bolivia	without visas for diplomatic, service or official passports – up to 3 months
22.	Bosnia and Herzegovina	without visas for diplomatic and service passports – up to 90 days visa-free for: - crew of marine and river vessels, - crew members of aircraft, - holders of the original invitation issued in the manner prescribed by Russian law- up to 90 days, - holder of the original tourist voucher and confirmation of the tourist admission - up to 30 days, - transit entry- up to 3 days
23.	Botswana	without visas for diplomatic and service passports – up to 90 days
24.	Brazil	without a visa for all types of passports – up to 90 days (from 07 June 2010)
25.	Brunei	without visas for diplomatic and service passports – up to 14 days
26.	Bulgaria	without visas for diplomatic and service passports – up to 90 days visa-free for: - crew of marine vessels,

		- crew members of aircraft
27.	Burkina Faso	without visas for diplomatic and service passports – up to 90 days
28.	Burma (Union of Myanmar)	without visas for diplomatic and service passports – up to 90 days
29.	Burundi	visas for all types of passports
30.	Cambodia	without visas for diplomatic and service passports – up to 90 days
31.	Cameroon	visas for all types of passports
32.	Canada	visas for all types of passports
33.	Cape Verde	without visas for diplomatic and service passports – up to 90 days
34.	Central African Republic	visas for all types of passports
35.	Chad	visas for all types of passports
36.	Chile	without visas for diplomatic and official passports – up to 3 months
		without visas for diplomatic passports – up to 30 days visa-free for:
37.	China	train crew,crew of marine and river vessels,
		- crew members of aircraft,
		 members of tourist group (5-50 persons) with certified lists and confirmation from Russian tour organizers - up to 14 days
38.	Colombia	without visas for diplomatic and official passports – up to 90 days
39.	Comoros	visas for all types of passports
40.	Congo, Democratic Republic of the	visas for all types of passports
41.	Congo, Republic of the	visas for all types of passports
42.	Costa Rica	without visas for diplomatic and service passports – up to 3 months
43.	Cote d'Ivoire	visas for all types of passports
44.	Croatia	without visas for diplomatic and service passports visa-free for ordinary passports: - holders of the original invitation for business and private trips, issued in the manner prescribed by Russian law, the original tourist voucher and confirmation of the tourist admission
45.	Cuba	without a visa for all types of passports- up to 30 days
4.0		without visas for diplomatic and service passports – up to 90 days visa-free for:
46.	Cyprus	crew of marine vessels,crew members of aircraft,transit entry- 24 hours from arrival
47.	Czech Republic	without visas for diplomatic passports - up to 90 days
48.	Denmark	visas for all types of passports
49.	Djibouti	visas for all types of passports
50.	Dominica	visas for all types of passports
51.	Dominican Republic	without visas for diplomatic and service passports – up to 90 days (from 09 April 2010)
52.	Ecuador	without visas for diplomatic, official and special passports – up to 90

		days
53.	Egypt	without visas for diplomatic, service and official passports – up to 90 days
54.	El Salvador	without visas for diplomatic and official passports – up to 90 days
55.	Equatorial Guinea	visas for all types of passports
56.	Eritrea	visas for all types of passports
57.	Estonia	without visas for diplomatic passports - up to 90 days
58.	Ethiopia	without visas for diplomatic and service passports – up to 90 days
59.	Fiji	visas for all types of passports
60.	Finland	without visas for diplomatic passports - up to 90 days
61.	France	without visas for diplomatic passports - up to 90 days
62.	Gabon	visas for all types of passports
63.	Gambia, The	visas for all types of passports
64.	Georgia	visas for all types of passports
65.	Germany	without visas for diplomatic passports - up to 90 days
66.	Ghana	visas for all types of passports
67.	Greece	without visas for diplomatic passports - up to 90 days
68.	Guatemala	without visas for diplomatic, consular and official passports – up to 3 months
69.	Guinea	without visas for diplomatic and service passports – up to 90 days
70.	Guinea-Bissau	visas for all types of passports
71.	Guyana	without visas for diplomatic passports - up to 90 days
72.	Haiti	visas for all types of passports
73.	Holy See (Vatican City)	visas for all types of passports
74.	Honduras	without visas for diplomatic and official passports – up to 90 days
75.	Hong Kong	without visas for tourism and business up to 14 days (from 01 July 2009)
76.	Hungary	without visas for diplomatic and service passports – up to 90 days
77.	Iceland	visas for all types of passports
78.	India	without visas for diplomatic and service passports – up to 90 days
79.	Indonesia	without visas for diplomatic and service passports – up to 14 days
80.	Iran	without visas for diplomatic and service passports – up to 30 days
81.	Iraq	visas for all types of passports
82.	Ireland	visas for all types of passports
83.	Israel	without visas for ordinary passports - up to 90 days (tourists, medical treatment, private invitation, not applied for employment, studying and business)
84.	Italy	without visas for diplomatic passports - up to 90 days
85.	Jamaica	without visas for diplomatic and service passports – up to 90 days
86.	Japan	visas for all types of passports visa-free for: - crew members of aircraft (Aeroflot Airlines and JAL – Japan Airlines)

		- to visit the South Kurile Islands with specific goals
87.	Jordan	visas for all types of passports
88.	Kazakhstan	without a visa for all types of passports (including internal)
89.	Kenya	visas for all types of passports
90.	Kiribati	visas for all types of passports
91.	Korea, Democratic People's Republic of	without visas for diplomatic and service passports – up to 90 days visa-free for: - crew members of aircraft, - train crew
92.	Korea, Republic of	without visas for diplomatic, service/ official passports – up to 90 days
93.	Kuwait	visas for all types of passports
94.	Kyrgyzstan	without a visa for all types of passports (including internal)
95.	Laos	without visas for diplomatic and service passports – up to 30 days
96.	Latvia	without visas for diplomatic passports - up to 90 days
97.	Lebanon	visas for all types of passports
98.	Lesotho	visas for all types of passports
99.	Liberia	visas for all types of passports
100.	Libya	visas for all types of passports
101.	Liechtenstein	visas for all types of passports
102.	Lithuania	without visas for diplomatic passports - up to 90 days visa-free for: - crew of marine and river vessels, - crew members of aircraft
103.	Luxembourg	without visas for diplomatic passports - up to 90 days
104.	Macau	
105.	Macedonia	 without visas for diplomatic and service passports – up to 90 days visa-free for: crew of marine and river vessels, crew members of aircraft, holders of the original invitation issued in the manner prescribed by Russian law- up to 90 days, holder of the original tourist voucher and confirmation of the tourist admission - up to 30 days
106.	Madagascar	visas for all types of passports
107.	Malawi	visas for all types of passports
108.	Malaysia	visas for all types of passports
109.	Maldives	visas for all types of passports
110.	Mali	without visas for diplomatic and service passports – up to 90 days
111.	Malta	without visas for diplomatic passports - up to 90 days
112.	Malta, Sovereign Military Order of	visas for all types of passports
113.	Marshall Islands	visas for all types of passports
114.	Martinique	
115.	Mauritania	visas for all types of passports
116.	Mauritius	visas for all types of passports

117.	Mayotte	
118.	Mexico	without visas for diplomatic and official passports – up to 90 days
119.	Micronesia, Federated States of	visas for all types of passports
120.	Moldova	without a visa for all types of passports
121.	Monaco	
122.	Mongolia	 without visas for diplomatic and service passports – up to 90 days without visas for ordinary passports guests of staff members of Embassy and Consular, employees on assignment under intergovernmental agreements with invitation issued in the manner prescribed by Russian law students, graduate students and trainees studying under intergovernmental agreements with invitation issued in the manner prescribed by Russian law
123.	Montenegro	without visas for diplomatic and service passports – up to 90 days without visas for ordinary passports- up to 30 days
124.	Morocco	without visas for diplomatic and service passports – up to 90 days
125.	Mozambique	visas for all types of passports
126.	Namibia	visas for all types of passports
127.	Nauru	visas for all types of passports
128.	Navassa Island	
129.	Nepal	without visas for diplomatic and service passports – up to 90 days
130.	Netherlands	without visas for diplomatic passports - up to 90 days
131.	New Zealand	visas for all types of passports
132.	Nicaragua	without visas for diplomatic, service and official passports – up to 90 days
133.	Niger	visas for all types of passports
134.	Nigeria	visas for all types of passports
135.	Norway	without visas for diplomatic passports - up to 90 days
136.	Oman	visas for all types of passports
137.	Pakistan	without visas for diplomatic and service passports – up to 90 days
138.	Palestine	visas for all types of passports
139.	Panama	without visas for diplomatic, consular, official and special passports – up to 90 days
140.	Papua New Guinea	visas for all types of passports
141.	Paraguay	without visas for diplomatic and official passports – up to 3 months
142.	Peru	without visas for diplomatic and special passports – up to 90 days
143.	Philippines	without visas for diplomatic and service passports – up to 90 days
144.	Poland	without visas for diplomatic passports - up to 90 days visa-free for: - crew of marine vessels, - crew members of aircraft
145.	Portugal	without visas for diplomatic passports - up to 90 days
146.	Qatar	visas for all types of passports
147.	Romania	without visas for diplomatic and service passports – up to 90 days

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		visa-free for: - crew of marine and river vessels,
		- crew members of aircraft
148.	Rwanda	visas for all types of passports
149.	Samoa	visas for all types of passports
150.	San Marino	visas for all types of passports
151.	Sao Tome and Principe	visas for all types of passports
152.	Saudi Arabia	visas for all types of passports
153.	Senegal	visas for all types of passports
154.	Serbia	without visas for diplomatic and service passports – up to 90 days biometric passports – up to 30 days
155.	Seychelles	visas for all types of passports
156.	Sierra Leone	visas for all types of passports
157.	Singapore	visas for all types of passports
158.	Slovakia	without visas for diplomatic and service passports – up to 90 days
159.	Slovenia	without visas for diplomatic passports - up to 90 days
160.	Somalia	visas for all types of passports
161.	South Africa	visas for all types of passports
162.	South Ossetia	without a visa for all types of passports (including internal)- up to 90 days
163.	Spain	without visas for diplomatic passports - up to 90 days
164.	Sri Lanka	visas for all types of passports visa-free for:
405	0 1	- crew members of aircraft
165.	Sudan	visas for all types of passports
166.	Suriname	visas for all types of passports
167.	Sweden	without visas for diplomatic passports - up to 90 days
168.	Switzerland	visas for all types of passports
169.	Syria	without visas for diplomatic and service passports – up to 30 days
170.	Tajikistan	without a visa for all types of passports (including internal)
171.	Tanzania	visas for all types of passports
172.	Thailand	without visas for diplomatic and service passports – up to 90 days without visas for ordinary passports – up to 30 days
173.	Togo	visas for all types of passports
174.	Tonga	visas for all types of passports
175.	Trinidad and Tobago	visas for all types of passports
176.	Tunisia	visas for all types of passports
177.	Turkey	without visas for diplomatic passports - up to 90 days
		without visas for diplomatic and service passports – up to 30 days visa-free for:
178.	Turkmenistan	crew of marine and river vessels,crew members of aircraft

train crew,staff of the intergovernmental courier service with the appropriate

permits

179.	Uganda	visas for all types of passports
180.	Ukraine	without a visa for all types of passports (including internal)
181.	United Arab Emirates	visas for all types of passports
182.	United Kingdom	visas for all types of passports
183.	United States	visas for all types of passports
184.	Uruguay	without visas for diplomatic and official passports – up to 3 months
185.	Uzbekistan	without a visa for all types of passports
186.	Vanuatu	visas for all types of passports
187.	Venezuela	without visas for diplomatic and service passports – up to 90 days without visas for ordinary passports up to 90 days from 180 days
188.	Vietnam	without visas for diplomatic and service passports – up to 90 days
189.	Yemen	visas for all types of passports
190.	Zambia	visas for all types of passports
191.	Zimbabwe	without visas for diplomatic and service passports (only for employees of the official institutions of the country on the territory of the Russian Federation)

PS: This information does not include visa-free entry to Russia the employees of foreign diplomatic missions with accreditation in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Russia and holding diplomatic or official cards.