Visa Information required to apply for the visitor and tourist visas:

Subclass 601 ETA, Subclass 651 eVisitor and Subclass 600 Visitor Visa



Who needs this visa?

Ballkids
Young participants assisting on-court during matches at Australian Open series events.

Applying directly with the Department of Home Affairs

Depending on the visitor visa that best applies to your circumstances, you will need to either download an app or create an account through ImmiAccount (the online platform for Australian visa applications). Links are provided at the end of this document.

Please read this document before starting your application.

Important: please **do not include anyone** on your visa application. Each traveller will need to apply for their own visa.

Completing the application

- Respond carefully and truthfully to all questions and ensure you provide the answer that best applies to your circumstances
- If you are visiting Australia for business meetings, please select 'Business' under the question 'Your purpose of stay in Australia'
- Read carefully and complete the Declaration
- Upload the documents required. Failure to do so will delay your application
- All answers in your visa application and supporting documents must be provided in **English.**

Biometrics request

Ballkid participants are **not eligible for the biometrics waiver** and as a part of lodging a visa application in a country included in the biometrics program, regardless of nationality, you might need to provide your biometrics in relation to each visa application you lodge.

After you submit your visa application online, the Department of Home Affairs may request your biometrics via an automated email. You must arrange an appointment at the nearest biometric office so they can be collected.

The nominated biometrics collection agency will capture a facial image with a digital camera and a 10-digit fingerprint scan with a digital finger scanner. To check, **click here**.

Documents required to apply for this visa

When you apply for your visa, you must attach:

- **Letter of Invitation** from Tennis Australia – **click here** to request your letter.
- **Passport:** a clear colour copy of the photo page of your passport.

  If your current passport is **close to expiry,** you can still use it; however, you must upload your new passport later through your ImmiAccount before travelling, as visas are digitally linked to the passport used when applying for the visa. If you do not notify the Department of Home Affairs of your new passport, it will not be linked to your visa, and you may experience issues or delays at the border or when boarding an aircraft.

- **Form 1229* (if the participant is under 18 years of age & applying for a subclass 600 visa) and travelling with one parent:** this is 'consent to grant a visa to a person under 18 years of age'. You must also include the:
  - **Passport of the other parent** if the player is travelling with one of the parents.
  - **Passport of both parents** if the player is not travelling with any parent.
- **Form 1257* (if the participant is under 18 years of age & applying for a subclass 600 visa) and travelling without any parent):** this is an undertaking made by a person over 21 years of age who will be responsible for the participant under 18 years of age whilst they are in Australia.

  * **Please note**: if children are applying for an ETA (601) the above forms will not be a requirement. If they are applying for an eVisitor 651, then this may be a requirement (as this application may be manually processed as opposed to automatically processed).

There are additional documents that you will need to include to support your subclass 600 application. See 'Gather your documents' at: Visitor visa (subclass 600) Tourist stream (apply outside Australia) (homeaffairs.gov.au)

Note: failure to attach documents such as your passport and Letter of Invitation will delay your application.

Information required to apply for this visa

- **Travel dates:** provide your travel dates to and from Australia. You cannot enter Australia after your indicated departure date: *e.g. if you apply to enter on 1 December 2026 and depart on 30 December 2026, you will not be allowed to enter Australia after 30 December.*
- **Application location:** apply for your visa OUTSIDE of Australia (applying within Australia requires further documentation and creates delays).
- **Eligibility requirements:** your visa application may request you to provide further information to ensure you meet their health, character or health insurance requirements.

Already hold a valid visa?

If you currently hold a visa to enter Australia, you should check with the Visa Entitlement Verification Online (VEVO) to ensure that it covers your intended period of stay and is appropriate for your role in the Australian Summer of Tennis or Australian Open. Being granted a visitor visa will cancel any 'substantive visa' that you currently hold, so please check before applying: **click here**

New Zealand passport holders

New Zealand passport holders are generally eligible for a Special Category visa (subclass 444). More information about this visa can be found **here**. We recommend that you check the requirements for a visa Subclass 444 in advance and before you travel. No letter of invitation from Tennis Australia is required to obtain this visa.

Selecting the right visa in your online application

There are **THREE** Visitor Visa options for entry into the 2027 Australian Summer of Tennis and Australian Open, depending on the country of your passport. Please read the following information and ensure you are aware of the visa processing times:

Subclass 601 Electronic Travel Authority	Subclass 651 eVisitor	Subclass 600 Visitor Visa
Visa application fee AUD$20	**Visa application fee** Free	**Visa application fee** AUD$250
Visa Validity Up to 3 months	**Visa Validity** Up to 3 months	**Visa Validity** Up to 12 months
Processing Time Not available	**Processing Time** Usually up to 3 days	**Processing Time** Usually up to 4 months

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Selecting the right visa in your online application (*Continued*)

Subclass 601 Electronic Travel Authority

Country of passport

To apply for an ETA online, you must hold a passport from one of the following countries or regions:

- Andorra
- Austria
- Belgium
- Brunei
- Canada
- Denmark
- Finland
- France
- Germany
- Greece
- Hong Kong
- (SAR of China)
- Iceland
- Ireland
- Italy
- Japan
- Liechtenstein
- Luxembourg
- Malaysia
- Malta
- Monaco
- Norway
- Portugal
- Republic of San Marino
- Singapore
- South Korea
- Spain
- Sweden
- Switzerland
- Taiwan (excluding official or diplomatic passports)
- The Netherlands
- United Kingdom—British Citizen
- United Kingdom—British National (Overseas)
- United States of America
- Vatican City

For Futher Information

Click here

How to apply

Download the Australian ETA app for free from the Apple Store (Apple) or Google Play store (Android)

Subclass 651 eVisitor

Country of passport & citizen

You must be a citizen of and hold a valid passport from one of these countries to be eligible for the eVisitor:

- Andorra
- Austria
- Belgium
- Bulgaria
- Croatia
- Cyprus
- Czech Republic
- Denmark
- Estonia
- Finland
- France
- Germany
- Greece
- Hungary
- Iceland
- Ireland
- Italy
- Latvia
- Liechtenstein
- Lithuania
- Luxembourg
- Malta
- Monaco
- The Netherlands
- Norway
- Poland
- Portugal
- Romania
- Republic of San Marino
- Slovakia
- Slovenia
- Spain
- Sweden
- Switzerland
- United Kingdom – British Citizen
- Vatican City

For Futher Information

Click here

How to apply

Create an account through ImmiAccount

Subclass 600 Visitor Visa

Country of passport

All other passports

For Futher Information

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How to apply

Create an account through ImmiAccount

DISCLAIMER: *Please ensure that you select the answer that best applies to your circumstances. This applies to any information you insert on the application form or to any documents you attach.*