



Australian Government
Department of Immigration and Citizenship

Addendum to Form 983i – Tourist and Sponsored Family Visitors

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Page 1, (B) Sponsored Family Visitor visa, class UL, subclass 679

Ways to apply

Replace:

You are required to complete form 48S *Application to visit Australia as a sponsored family visitor* and your sponsor is required to complete form 1149 *Application for sponsorship for sponsored family visitors*. Both application forms should be lodged together at an office of the department in Australia.

If you are applying for this visa, do not send your original passport to Australia. You should provide a certified copy of your passport to your sponsor.

With:

You are required to complete form 48S *Application to visit Australia as a sponsored family visitor* and your sponsor is required to complete form 1149 *Application for sponsorship for sponsored family visitors*. Both application forms should be lodged together at one of the processing centres in Australia according to the address of your sponsor at the time of lodgement.

If you are applying for this visa, do not send your original passport to Australia. You should provide a certified copy of your passport to your sponsor.

As of 1 August 2010, all Sponsored Family Visitor visa applications will be assessed and decided at one of two Sponsored Family Visitor visa processing centres (SFVPC) in:

- Brisbane; or
- Sydney CBD.

Sponsors who live in **New South Wales, Victoria, Tasmania or the ACT** should lodge their forms by post or courier, directly with the **SFVPC (NSW)**.

See: <http://www.immi.gov.au/contacts/australia/processing-centres/sfvpc>

Sponsors who live in **Queensland, Northern Territory, South Australia or Western Australia** should lodge their forms by post or courier, directly with the **SFVPC (QLD)**.

See: <http://www.immi.gov.au/contacts/australia/processing-centres/sfvpc>

Page 3, Method of payment

Replace:

In Australia

To make a payment, please pay by credit card, debit card, bank cheque or money order made payable to the Department of Immigration and Citizenship. Debit card and credit card are the preferred methods of payment.

Outside Australia

Before making a payment outside Australia, please check with the Australian Government office where you intend to lodge your application as to what methods of payment and currencies they can accept and to whom the payment should be made payable.

With:

Online applications

Acceptable payment methods for online applications are:

- credit card online
- BPAY using your Australian telephone or Internet banking service.

Note: Currently BPAY can only be used by eVisa applicants in Australia for:

- new student visa
- renewing your student visa
- permission to work on a Student visa.

Note: The currency converter does not apply to internet applications paid for by credit card. The amount paid will be the Australian dollar (AUD) amount. If your credit card is in a currency other than AUD, the amount charged will be at the daily credit card rate plus any bank charges.

Applications lodged in Australia

To make a payment, please pay by credit card, debit card, bank cheque or money order made payable to the Department of Immigration and Citizenship. Debit card and credit card are the preferred methods of payment.

Applications lodged at a processing centre in Australia

Acceptable payment methods for applications lodged in Australia at a processing centre are:

- credit card
 - Australia Post money order made payable to 'Department of Immigration and Citizenship'
 - bank cheque
 - drawn on a bank with representation in Australia
 - in Australian dollars
 - made payable to 'Department of Immigration and Citizenship'.
- or
- international money order:
 - drawn on a bank with representation in Australia
 - in Australian dollars
 - made payable to 'Department of Immigration and Citizenship'.

Note:

1. Personal cheques are **not** accepted
2. Travellers' cheques are **not** accepted

See: <http://www.immi.gov.au/allforms/990i/how-to-pay.htm>

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