

WORK VISA PROCESS MAP



STEP 1: INITIATION

Client initiates the case with FGI and begins collating the personal and corporate documents. FGI reviews and reverts with feedback, missing information, etc.

STEP 2: BOARD OF INVESTMENT APPLICATION

The work visa application should be filed with the Board of Investment (BOI) in Pakistan by the sponsoring company for its initial review and approval. The BOI will usually send its decision to the Ministry of Interior within four weeks.

Processing time: 4-6 weeks

STEP 3: WORK VISA APPLICATION

The principal applicant should apply for a work visa at the Pakistani consular post in his/her country of origin or residence. Accompanying dependents should apply for a tourist visa.

Processing time: 1-2 weeks

STEP 4: ENTRY TO PAKISTAN

The applicant may now enter Pakistan with his/her passport and work visa, which should be stamped at the port of entry. Accompanying dependents may enter with their passports and tourist visas. The applicant can begin working.

STEP 5: MULTIPLE ENTRY VISA ENDORSEMENT

If a single- or double-entry visa was initially granted this can be converted into a multiple-entry visa at the Regional Passport Office.