

# India e-Visa Eligible Countries — Who Needs One

Most nationalities can apply online — here's how to check where you stand.

## HOW THE ELIGIBLE LIST WORKS

- Eligibility is based on the passport you're traveling on, not your country of residence
- Well over 150 nationalities are eligible for some form of e-Visa as of recent updates — the exact count changes as countries are added or removed
- The current, authoritative list is published on [indianvisaonline.gov.in](https://indianvisaonline.gov.in) and updated directly by the government
- Some nationalities are eligible for certain e-Visa sub-categories (tourist, business, medical) but not others

Treat any number you see for "how many countries are eligible" — including the approximate figure above — as a snapshot, not a guarantee. Confirm your specific nationality on the official portal before planning around it.

## COMMON EXCLUSIONS

- Pakistani nationals, and in some cases applicants with Pakistani parentage or birth, are generally not eligible for the e-Visa route and need to apply through a regular visa application at an Indian mission
- Diplomatic and official passport holders typically apply through regular diplomatic channels, not the e-Visa
- Stateless persons and refugee travel document holders are generally not eligible for the e-Visa

If any of this applies to you, confirm your specific situation directly with the nearest Indian embassy or consulate rather than relying on a general rule.

## IF YOU'RE NOT ELIGIBLE

- Travelers excluded from the e-Visa route can apply for a regular visa through the nearest Indian embassy or consulate
- Processing for a regular visa typically takes longer and may require an in-person appointment — plan further ahead than you would for an e-Visa
- Requirements vary by mission — check the specific Indian embassy or consulate website for your country

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