

India e-Visa Fees Explained — Official Costs vs Markup Scams

The official fee varies by visa type and nationality — how to confirm you're paying the real fee.

HOW THE OFFICIAL FEE WORKS

- The fee depends on which e-Visa validity option you choose — 30-day, 1-year, and 5-year e-Tourist Visas are priced differently
- Fees are also set on a country-wise basis — what you pay can differ from what a traveler of another nationality pays for the same visa type
- A standard bank transaction charge applies on top of the visa fee itself when you pay online

This page deliberately doesn't quote a specific dollar figure — fee schedules are set by the government and reviewed periodically. Confirm the current fee for your nationality and visa type directly on indianvisaonline.gov.in before paying anything.

WHERE MARKUP COMES FROM

- Some third-party sites add a service fee on top of the government charge — sometimes clearly disclosed, sometimes buried in the total
- Some unauthorized sites charge well beyond any reasonable service markup, or take payment and never deliver a visa at all
- A site that won't show a breakdown between the government fee and its own service fee is a red flag worth treating seriously

HOW TO CONFIRM YOU'RE PAYING THE REAL FEE

- Start at indianvisaonline.gov.in directly rather than clicking a search ad or sponsored link
- Check the official country-wise fee page or document for your specific nationality and visa type
- If a price you're quoted elsewhere is unusually high — or suspiciously low — for what the official schedule shows, stop and double-check the domain before paying

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