

# **Exodus Visa Information Sheet for British Passport Holders**

The information below is primarily for UK passport holders, any other nationalities should check with their travel agent or the relevant embassies. We are not responsible for the actions of local immigration and customs officials, whether at points of entry or otherwise, and any subsequent effects.

Country:	China
Valid for:	2024
Issue date:	February 2024

## VISA APPLICATION PROCESS SUMMARY

Visa required in advance	Yes	
Visa cost	As below	
Photo required	Yes	
When to apply	4-6 weeks before travel	
Typical processing time	5 working days	

## **NOTES FOR VISA**

The Chinese authorities require a letter from the tour operator you have booked your holiday through, confirming all your accommodation details. This will be sent to you by our Customer Operations department approximately 8 weeks before departure. Along with this, you need to supply a copy of your flight details, which are on your invoice if booked through Exodus.

It is also essential that we have a clear copy of the details page of your passport as early as possible. This is required to book certain ground services in China and your booking is not fully confirmed until we receive it. This must be emailed as an electronic scan to customerops@exodus.co.uk as soon as possible.

Should you have travelled to China before on an old passport or hold a different nationality from your original country of birth, you will be required to provide your previous passport with your application, or a written statement to confirm why this is not possible, if you are not be able to provide it.

Your passport must be valid for six months beyond your date of arrival in China and must have two blank pages for visas and stamping.

All visa applicants aged between 14 and 70 need visit one of the Chinese Visa Application Service Centres (appointment not required, but check opening times) where biometric data will be taken as part of the visa application process. For older or younger travellers, payment still has to be made at a visa application centre, but this can be done by someone else for you.

# **APPLYING FOR YOUR VISA**

OPTION 1. VIA TRAVCOUR, OUR RECOMMENDED VISA AGENCY		
Normal Process	Step 1: Go to <a href="https://travcour-vls.com/visa-application/china-tourist-visa-application-travel-information/">https://travcour-vls.com/visa-application/china-tourist-visa-application-travel-information/</a> to download and complete the application forms.	
	Step 2: Email the application forms to <u>darren@travcour.com</u> along with a copy of the ID page of your passport, a digital photo, your flight details and Exodus issued letter of invitation.	
	Step 3: Travcour will prepare your paperwork and reach out to you to secure an appointment to provide biometrics at the Chinese application centre.	
	Step 4: Meet the Travcour courier at the application centre and follow their guidance through the process. Travcour will then finalise the application and collect the visa when it is ready. It will then be sent back to you by your chosen return delivery method.	

Address and contact information	Travcour Visa & Legalisation Services 89 The Broadway
	London
	SW19 1QE
	020 8543 1846
	email: <u>darren@travcour.com</u>
Cost Summary	Visa fee: £210
	Service fee: £150 plus postage
	Total: £360 (plus postage)

OPTION 2. DIRECTLY WITH THE CHINESE EMBASSY			
Normal Process	<b>1.</b> To apply for the Chinese visa yourself, you need to go through the Chinese Embassy's visa application service centre <u>https://bio.visaforchina.cn/</u> You will need to submit the application in person (appointment not required). Postal applications are not accepted.		
	<b>2.</b> Firstly, you need to complete the application form online. At this time, you can also make an appointment to submit the application in person if this is your preference.		
	3. All visa applicants aged between 14 and 70 will need visit one of the Chinese Visa Application Service Centres where biometric data will be taken as part of the visa application process. Appointments are not required, but check opening times. For older or younger travellers, payment still has to be made at a visa application centre, but this can be done by someone else for you.		
	3. Please call 020 7776 7888 for more information		
Address and contact information	Chinese Visa Application Service Centre in London 12 Old Jewry London EC2R 8DU		
	Chinese Visa Application Service Centre in Manchester		
	Ground Floor		
	71 Mosley Street Manchester		
	M2 3HR		
	Chinese Visa Application Service Centre in Edinburgh 2nd Floor		
	Exchange Tower		
	19 Canning Street Edinburgh		
	EH3 8EG		
	Chinese Visa Application Service Centre in Belfast (only open occasionally, refer to link for information)		
	Chinese Welfare Association		
	1 Stranmillis Embankment		
	Belfast BT7 1GB		
Cost Summary	Total: £210.00 (plus return postage)		

# INFORMATION REQUIRED TO COMPLETE YOUR APPLICATION

You will be asked for details of an inviting organization or referee, and details of your accommodation on the visa application form.

# HOTEL DETAILS

Please enter hotel details from your invitation letter sent by Exodus. To write 'see attached' is not accepted by the visa centre.

# • TRAVEL AGENCY IN CHINA

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## • COUNTY OF ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE

Please select from the following depending on the trip and flights you've booked:

Beijing Daxing International Airport: Daxing Qu Shanghai Pudong International Airport (PVG): Pudong Qu		Beijing Capital International Airport (PEK): Shunyi Qu
		Shanghai Hongqiao International Airport (SHA): Changning Qu
	Xi'an Xianyang International Airport (XIY): Weicheng Qu	

## **EXODUS ASSISTANCE**

If you have any questions about the information provided here, please contact our Customer Operations team, on 020 8772 3747 or email <u>customerops@exodus.co.uk</u>. For detailed assistance with the application process, we recommend using the services of Travcour.

#### **ADDITIONAL NOTES**

It is your responsibility to have the correct personal documents and to obtain your own visa, if one is necessary, in accordance with the regulations of the country you are to visit.

If a visa is required prior to travel, it is your responsibility to obtain one. However, we strongly advise you not to do this until your trip has been made definite. The information above is meant to aid you in getting your visa. Information can change, so if you are at all concerned please check with the Chinese visa application centre or our recommended visa service agency, Travcour.