

Visa Information guideline to apply for: Temporary Activity Visa (subclass 408) Entertainment Activities Stream



Who needs this visa?

Media – Print/Website/Radio – Australian Audience
e.g. Journalist, Photographer, Radio Commentator, Editor

Applying directly with the Department of Home Affairs

To apply directly with Australia's Department of Home Affairs (DHA), you will need to:

1. Create an account through **ImmiAccount** (the online platform for Australian visa applications)
2. Select the visa type
3. Complete the visa application form
4. Attach the required documents
 - Please make sure you attach:
 - **Passport:** clear colour copy of the photo page of your passport. If your current passport is close to expiry, you can still use it however you must upload your new one later through your ImmiAccount or you may be refused boarding an aircraft.
 - **Letter of Invitation from Tennis Australia:** [click here](#) to request your Letter
 - **Union Consultation:** you or your employer needs to apply for union consultation through the MEAA. Please refer [here](#) for more information.
5. Pay the application fee
6. Submit the application

Important: please **do not include anyone** on your visa application. Each traveller will need to apply for their own visa.

Biometrics Request



Media – Print/Website/Radio participants are **not eligible for the biometrics waiver** and as a part of lodging a visa application in a country included in the biometrics program, regardless of nationality, you might need to provide your biometrics in relation to each visa application you lodge.

After you submit your visa application online, the Department of Home Affairs may request your biometrics via an automated email. You must arrange an appointment at the nearest biometric office so they can be collected.

The nominated biometrics collection agency will capture a facial image with a digital camera and a 10-digit fingerprint scan with a digital finger scanner. To check, [click here](#).

Let's get started

The following information provides guidance in selecting the right visa and completing your online visa application – **[please read before starting your application](#)**.



Selecting the right visa in your online application

Select the correct visa: when you apply online using an ImmiAccount through the Department of Home Affairs, ensure you select the correct visa:

- Select '**Temporary Work (Activity)**' then select '**Temporary Activity Visa (408)**' as illustrated below:

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- 🔍 482 - Temporary Skill Shortage
- 🔍 Air & Sea Crew
- 🔍 APEC
- 🔍 Citizenship
- 🔍 Family
- 🔍 Health
- 🔍 Labour Agreement
- 🔍 Refugee & Humanitarian
- 🔍 Resident Return
- 🔍 Skilled
- 🔍 Standard Business Sponsorship
- 🔍 Status Resolution
- 🔍 Student
- 🔍 **Temporary Work (Activity)**
 - Sponsorship for Temporary Activities (403, 407, 408)
 - Temporary Activity Visa (408)
 - Temporary Work - International Relations Visa (403)
 - Temporary Work - Short Stay Specialist Visa (400)
 - Temporary Work and Activity Visas (Subsequent Entrant) (403, 407, 408)



Completing the application

- Respond carefully and truthfully to all questions and ensure you provide the answer that best applies to your circumstances
- Read carefully and complete the Declaration on page 24
- Upload the documents required. Failure to do so will delay your application
- Your visa application answers must be in **English**

Below are of some of the questions you will be asked in your visa application and suggested answers in **bold font**. Please ensure that your answers best apply to your circumstances:

Section in Immi Account	Answer Suggestions
Activity / Event	- Invited Participant: Yes - Entertainment information: Yes - Activity type: Entertainment activities
Group processing	Is this application being lodged as part of a group of applicants: Yes Please refer to your Letter of Invitation for the Group Code and Group Name
Is this category eligible for a Visa Application Charge (VAC) concession?	Is this category eligible for a Visa Application Charge (VAC) concession?: No

Section in Immi Account	Answer Suggestions
Accompanying members of the family unit	Please do not include anyone on your visa application. Each traveller will need to apply for their own visa. Family members or Guests require a visitor visa. Are there any accompanying members of the family unit included in this application?: No
Australian organisation details	- Legal Registered Name: Tennis Australia Limited - Trading Name: Tennis Australia - Organisation website: www.tennis.com.au - Industry Type: Other Services
Registration identifier	- Business registration type: Australian Business Number (ABN) - Business registration ID: 61006281125
Organisation address	- Country: Australia - Address: Melbourne Park Olympic Boulevard - Suburb/Town: Melbourne - State / Territory: Victoria - Postcode: 3000
Contact person details	- Family name: Martin - Given names: Simon - Position: Head of Tournament Services - Business phone: +61 435 257 864 - Email address: smartin@tennis.com.au
Activity Position details	- Position: Accredited media for the 2026 Australian Summer of Tennis or Australian Open 2026 - Occupation Grouping: Other - Occupation (ANZSCO): Select your occupation - Duties/activities: Media representative at the 2026 Australian Summer of Tennis or Australian Open 2026
Event details	- Event name: 2026 Australian Summer of Tennis and Australian Open - Entertainment type: Production or support staff - Date from: enter start date of event - Date to: enter final date of event - Applicants role in event: Answer examples – (choose one): journalist / other writer / photographer / radio commentator - Applicant's role description: Enter role and '...for domestic publications / audience'
Financial Support Remuneration Package	Will remuneration be received for undertaking the activity in Australia?: Yes
Health insurance details	Please provide your health insurance details Type of health insurance cover: answers could be 'Overseas Visitor Cover' or 'Comprehensive' or 'Full Coverage' It is not mandatory to provide proof of health insurance for stays of up to 3 months, although you may be randomly selected to provide this in some cases.

Section in Immi Account

Paying for Visa Sponsorship

Answer Suggestions

In this section, after reading the warning and declaration, select: **Yes**

Application for a Temporary Activity Visa

Transaction Reference Number (TRN): EGOUPMSW33 23/24

Paying for visa sponsorship

Warning:
Giving false or misleading information is a serious offence.
Section 245AS of the Migration Act 1958 prohibits offering to provide or providing a benefit in return for the occurrence of a 'sponsorship-related event' as defined by section 245AQ of that Act. Refer to Paying for visa sponsorship: declaration requirement for more information.
The applicant declares that no persons included in this application have engaged in conduct that constitutes a contravention of subsection 245AS(1) of the Migration Act 1958.

☒ Yes ☐ No

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Attach the required documents to apply for a SC408 visa?

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- **Union Consultation:** you or your employer needs to apply for union consultation through the MEAA. Please refer [here](#) for more information. You will need to upload the MEAA response to your visa application. It is best to apply for the visa after you have obtained a response from the MEAA but if you need to lodge your visa beforehand, please upload evidence that you have applied for MEAA consultation.

There are additional documents that you will need to include to support your application. See 'Gather your documents' at: [Temporary Activity visa \(subclass 408\) Entertainment Activities stream \(homeaffairs.gov.au\)](#)

After you attach the above documents, there will be a pop-up window asking you why you have not attached all of the documents they requested for Financial & Health. In this case, answer: **Please see the invitation letter attached.**

Note: failure to attach documents such as your passport and Letter of Invitation will delay your application.

DISCLAIMER: The above answers to questions are suggestions only. Please ensure that you select the answer that best applies to your circumstances. This applies to any information you insert on the application form or to any documents you attach.

Ready to apply for your visa?

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