

Singapore Employment Pass



OVERVIEW

Employment Pass (EP) is the main type of Singapore work visa issued to overseas professional, managerial (managing director, general manager, CEO), executive or specialist who wishes to work in Singapore.

The Ministry of Manpower (MOM) allows a foreigner to apply for a Singapore Employment Pass after they have incorporated their Singapore Company to enable them to live and work in Singapore. The EP does not fall under any quota system nor is there a monthly levy charge for EP.

You can apply for Singapore Employment Pass (EP) work visa, if:

- You are a foreign Entrepreneur, professional, managing director of Singapore companies who wish to relocate to Singapore to manage your company operations;
- You are a locally incorporated Singapore Company and need to hire foreign employees;
- You have an Employment offer from a prospective Singapore employer. In this case, you will need the company to apply the employment pass application on your behalf;

The eligibility for a Singapore Employment Pass is determined based on the individual applicant's educational and professional qualifications, specialist skills or related work experience. The applicant must be drawing a minimum fixed monthly salary of at least \$\$3,000.

Note: Singapore Employment Passes are carefully assessed by the Ministry of Manpower (MOM), which takes into consideration not just the applicant's eligibility, but also the employer's track record and the quality of the applicant to complement and supplement the Singapore local workforce.

An application's success is also closely tied to the economic climate within Singapore at the time of application. Consideration will be given to companies that are able to make a contribution to any of the industries currently being developed and promoted by the Singapore government and to individuals who possess skills that are in short supply or high demand and those who can complement and add value to the Singapore workforce.

Setup Requirements

- Minimum 1 Shareholder
- 1 Resident Director
- 1 Company Secretary
- Minimum paid-up capital of S\$1
- A local registered office address

Application Process

Incorporate a Singapore Company



Apply for the Employment Pass Assessment (1 to 4 weeks) by MOM



If approved, an In-Principle-Approval (IPA) letter is issued



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Eligibility and Requirements

Who is it for?	Professionals, managerial personnel (managing director, CEO), executives or specialists who wish to work in Singapore can apply for an Employment Pass.			
Eligibility Criteria	To be considered for an Employment Pass, a foreigner must have a fixed monthly salary of at least S\$3,000, and possess an acceptable degree, professional qualification or specialis skills. Singapore Employment Passes are carefully assessed by the Ministry of Manpower by taking into consideration a number of factors such as the applicant's educational qualifications, work experience, job profile, economic contribution, employer's track record and the quality of the applicant to complement and supplement Singapore local workforce.			
	Applicant	t	Company	Government
	 Relevant work experience and educational qualifications Proposed salary Age 		 Paid-up capital Operating history International presence Employer track record No. of local employees 	 Industry economic contribution Skill in demand Complement and value add to work force
	PositionSpecial skill set			
Pass Type & Eligibility	Pass Type	Eligibility Criteria		
	P1: P2: Q1:	Possesses recognized qualifications Fixed monthly salary > \$4,500 Possesses recognized qualifications		
Company Paid-up Capital	S\$1.00 (One of the assessed factors is the paid-up capital of the company.)			
Visa Validity	1 – 2 years			
Renewal	Renewable as long as you continue to be employed by the company.			
Dependent Pass	Applicable to immediate family members			
Permanent Residence (PR)	Eligible to apply after 12 months for Singapore Permanent Residence			
Documents Required for EP Application	 A clear scanned copy (preferably color) of Travel Document Particulars Page detailing the personal particulars and travel document number. Please include pages reflecting amendments to details (e.g. name, expiry date), if any. Educational Certificates, if any¹. Please provide a clear scan copy of the documents in 150 dpi Resolution not exceeding 2MB in PDF file format. Registration or Support Letters from a relevant Vetting Agency / Professional Body / Accreditation Agency, if support from them has been declared in the application. 			
	Accredi	tation Agency, if supp	tions from India will need to submit the	eir transcript and marksheets.

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