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BRINGING PRODUCTION CAST, CREW AND ASSOCIATED TRAVELLERS TO NEW ZEALAND

1. Applying to bring film personnel to New Zealand

Cast and crew traveling to New Zealand for production purposes apply for an <u>Entertainers Work Visa</u>. Applying online is relatively straightforward and you are welcome to <u>contact us</u> if you need help with your application. Please note that from 1 August 2022, Critical Worker Exceptions are no longer required.

FEES: Please note that citizens of the USA do not pay a fee or immigration levy for this application, however an International Visitor Conservation and Tourism Levy (IVL) of NZD \$35 applies. For non-US citizens, more information on applicable fees can be found here.

PROCESSING TIMES: Allow up to six weeks for processing.

Scouting:

Typically, scouting crew from <u>visa-waiver</u> countries do not need a visa to enter New Zealand, but must obtain an <u>NZeTA</u> (New Zealand Electronic Travel Authority) prior to travel.

FEES: An NZeTA request costs NZD \$52 on Immigration New Zealand's free app, or NZD \$58 if completed online (This includes an International Visitor Conservation and Tourism Levy (IVL) of NZD \$35).

PROCESSING TIMES: Allow up to 72 hours for the processing of your request, although it may take as little as 10 minutes.

Travellers from non-visa-waiver countries can visit New Zealand for scouting purposes on a Business Visitor Visa.

FEES: The cost to apply for a Business Visitor Visa online is NZD \$211.

PROCESSING TIMES: Allow one week processing time for the Business Visitor Visa.

Traveller Declaration:

All travellers arriving into New Zealand must complete a New Zealand Traveller Declaration prior to check-in via the New Zealand Traveller Declaration website.

2. COVID-19 Testing Requirements:

<u>Vaccination requirements:</u> Non-New Zealand citizens (including New Zealand permanent residents) are required to be fully vaccinated to enter New Zealand. Further information about meeting New Zealand's vaccination requirements and criteria for exemptions can be found here: <u>Vaccination requirements for travel to New Zealand | Unite against COVID-19 (covid19.govt.nz)</u>

Pre-departure Testing: Travellers are not required to undergo a pre-departure test to enter New Zealand.

<u>Post-arrival Testing:</u> Travellers will be given a pack of rapid antigen tests (RATs) at the airport, with instructions. Travellers must take two tests – on day 0/1, when you arrive in New Zealand on day 5/6. Both results must be reported, whether you test negative or positive.

If you test positive, you must get a PCR test from a community testing centre or healthcare provider and self-isolate for 7 days.