



Mobility: Immigration alert

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Brazil

New online visa application system for nationals of Australia, Canada and the US

Executive summary

Effective 1 December 2023, nationals of Australia, Canada and the US who travel to Brazil for business or tourism purposes on or after 10 January 2024 must obtain an electronic visit visa prior to travel.

Background

On 16 March 2019, Brazil lifted visa requirements for nationals of Australia, Canada and the US seeking to enter Brazil for business and tourism. In October 2023, it announced that it will reinstate the visa requirement for these individuals. The new visa policy was initially scheduled to go into effect in October 2023, but was [delayed](#) until 10 January 2024.

Key developments

The Brazilian authorities have now launched an online visa application platform for impacted nationals of Australia, Canada and the US. These individuals must obtain an electronic visa prior to travel via this new platform and will not be able to apply for one at a consulate or embassy. These electronic visas will be issued for tourism or business purposes only, and holders will not be eligible to reside in Brazil using these visas. Travelers who enter Brazil for business or tourism

purposes prior to 10 January 2024 are not required to obtain a visa, irrespective of when they depart from Brazil.

Impact on employers

The online system is expected to streamline the visa application process for impacted business visitors by reducing the costs, time and administrative requirements associated with the process.

Key steps

EY will continue to monitor these developments. Should you have any questions, we encourage you to contact one of our immigration professionals.

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