



## TLSCONTACT VISA APPLICATION CENTRE - CHINA

### LIST OF DOCUMENTS

### PARTICIPATION IN ACADEMIC, CULTURAL OR SPORT EVENT

*If you are travelling to Cyprus to attend an academic, cultural or sport event please provide the following documents.*

### DOCUMENTS

**Visa application form (original)**

*One fully completed visa application form signed by the applicant (both parents or legal guardians in the case of minors). Noted:*

- *The application form has to be signed by the applicant aged 18 or over. The signature on the form should be identical to the one in the applicant's passport and on the letter of authorization.*
- *For minor applicants under 18 years old (The age is calculated upon the date of submission): The application form must be signed by both parents or legal guardian. Attention: Do not sign the name of the underage applicant. Please indicate your relations in English or Dutch (father, mother or husband, wife etc.) beside the signature.*

**One recent passport sized photograph 3,5 cm x 4,5 cm (original)**

- *Attached to the application form (looking forward, white colour background).*
- *Have a compliant photograph taken directly at the Visa Application Centre. For more information, please visit our Added Value Services page.*

**National passport (original + copy)**

- *Valid for at least three months longer than the validity of the visa being applied for;*
- *A copy of the passport, including first and last pages and all pages bearing visas or stamps;*
- *If the applicant has an **old** passport, this needs to be presented as well (original and a copy, including first and last pages and all pages bearing visas or stamps).*

**ID card (copy)**

- *Copy of ID card with English translation.*

**Hukou, only for Chinese nationals (original + copy)**

- *Original and copy of "Hukou" (all information pages) and English translation (only for Chinese nationals); AND original residence permit, copy of this and translation in English, if different from Hukou.*
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- **Foreign nationals** who live in China must present the “Residence Permit of China” valid for at least six months longer than the validity of the visa being applied for.

**Flight reservation (original or copy)**

- Round trip tickets (China-Cyprus-China) with fixed dates. Tickets should not be purchased before the visa is issued.

**Proof of accommodation (original or copy)**

- Prepaid hotel accommodation or other proof of accommodation.

**Invitation letter from the organiser of the event in Cyprus (original or copy)**

An official letter of invitation from the organiser of the event in Cyprus, mentioning clearly the following:

- Purpose and duration of the applicant’s stay;
- Detailed program and itinerary;
- An indication of the costs of the study/sport and entity that will pay for them;
- Indication of lodging during the period of the applicant’s intended stay.

**Letter from the Chinese cultural or sports organization (original)**

A recent original letter from the Chinese cultural or sports organization (in English or in Chinese with an English translation), on official paper with stamp, mentioning clearly:

- Address, telephone, fax number and contacts of the organization;
- The name and position of the countersigning officer;
- Name, position, salary and years of employment (only for professionals);
- The Purpose and duration of the visit of the applicant;
- Entity that will pay the costs of travel and living.

**Business License (copy)**

- A sealed copy and translation in English of the Business License and “Organizational Code Certificate” of the company where the applicant works. If the company has changed its business license to the “United Social Credit Code”, then the Embassy needs only a sealed copy of the Business License and an English translation.

**Confirmation of participation (original + copy)**

- i.e. registration receipt.



## FOR STUDENTS ONLY (INCLUDING MINOR)

### Letter from the school or University (original)

- *An original letter from the school or University (in English or Chinese with an English translation) addressed to the Embassy, clearly mentioning the full address and telephone number of the school, status/attendance and duration of the course of the applicant, permission of absence and name and function of the person giving the permission.*

### Student card (copy)

- *A copy of the student card and an English translation.*

## FOR MINORS ONLY (UNDER THE AGE OF 18)

***Below documents for minors (Certificate of Permission and Birth Certificate) must be legalised by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of China and the Embassy of Cyprus in China and accompanied by an English translation (when the parent is not in China, the Certificate of Permission needs to be attested by the relevant authorities in the country of residence).***

### Certificate of permission to travel (original)

- *When the minor is travelling with **one parent only**: original ID card and certificate of permission to travel from the parent, or legal guardian not travelling, clearly stating the destination, purpose of travel and time period for which the permission is granted.*
- *When the minor is travelling **alone**: original ID card and certificate of permission to travel from both parents or legal guardians, clearly stating the destination, purpose of travel and time period for which permission is granted.*

### Birth certificate of the minor (original)

## SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION BY A REPRESENTATIVE

### Letter of authorization for visa application/passport return (original)

*Mandatory if you choose to submit your application by a representative. Please click [here](#) to download the template.*

#### **Requirements:**

- *The signature on the letter of authorization needs to be the same as the one in the applicant's passport and Visa application form. The form has to be filled out completely. No correction is allowed on the form.*
- *The letter can't be sharable and each applicant has to present the original.*
- *Minor applicant under the age of 18: The letter of authorization must be signed by one parent or a legal guardian. Please DO NOT sign the name of underage applicant. The submission date of the application is the reference date to judge, if the applicant is 18 years old. The authorization is not required, if parents submit the application for their minor-aged children. However, they should provide evidence proving the family relation (such as Hukou etc.).*



**Representative ID card or passport (original + copy)**

- *Mandatory if you choose to submit your application by a representative.*

**Declaration letter (original)**

- *Please be advised that you are strongly advised to submit a declaration letter in the event that during your appointment it is discovered that your application files do not correspond to the requirements of the Embassy of the Republic of Cyprus, or some of the required documents are missing.*
- *This declaration letter **MUST BE** signed by the applicant themselves.*
- *Please click [here](#) to download the template.*

## **POSTAL APPLICATION DOCUMENTS**

**Postal address and Invoice title (original)**

- *Please note that the mailing address and the contact information of the recipient must be written in Chinese.*
- *Please click [here](#) to download the template.*

**Statement of consent (original)**

- *Please click [here](#) to download the template.*

**Courier delivery service discharge (original)**

- *Please click [here](#) to download the template.*