Multiple-entry visas, 1-5 years validity

If you have a special need, you may apply for a visa that is valid for multiple entries during a period for up to 12 months. In order to get a multiple-entry visa, the applicant must document previous travels to Norway, have complied with the conditions for previously granted visas, and be able to document a future need for multiple entries to Norway during the period applied for.

The applicant must also have good return conditions in the form of employment or other regular income, or other financial means.

An applicant with a history of multiple-entry visas valid for 12 months, may if there is documented a need for it, be given a multiple-entry visa for 2-3 years. An applicant with a history of multiple-entry visas valid for 2-3 years, may if there is a documented need, get a multiple-entry visa for up to 5 years.

Requirements:

- An invitation letter from Norwegian company or reference person in Norway stating the need for multiple entries for the applicant and for which time period.
- The applicant must submit a travel health insurance with one year validity.

Those who have been granted a one year multiple entry visa could visit the Schengen area up to 180 days in a year, provided that they do not stay more than 90 days in a period of 180 days.

<u>Multiple-entry visas with a long validity are **only** available for certain categories of applicants:</u>

- Business people. An invitation letter from the Norwegian company Norway
 must be submitted stating the need for multiple entries for the applicant and for
 which time period.
- Seafarers who need multiple entries for work purposes. Must be documented by the employer.

- Participants in official visits to Norway which documents a need for multiple entries in connection with such cooperation projects or other regular meetings by invitation.
- Family members of a reference person with a valid residence permit in Norway. Applicants must document the family relationship with the reference in Norway, as well as the reference person's legal residence in Norway.
- Family members of a Norwegian citizens living abroad and travelling together regularly to Norway. Applicants must document the family relationship to the Norwegian citizen.
- Close family members of EU/EEA nationals, when the EU/EEA national in Norway is exercising the right to free movement by EEA rules and who have legal stay in Norway. Applicants must document the family relationship with the EEA national.
- Persons participating in scientific, cultural or sports-related official programs / events

Applicants must document work in their home country and invitation / agreement with topical organization in Norway, as well as prove the need for multiple-entry visas.

For an overview of who can get a multiple-entry visa, please <u>click here</u> (G-01/2013, only in Norwegian).

When applying for a multi-entry visa in the Application Portal Norway, please note these columns:

-Date of arrival to Schengen area: Enter the first date of entry to the Schengen-area.

- Date of departure from Schengen area: Enter the last date you want the visa to be valid.

- Numbers of entries requested: Choose "MULT"
- Duration of stay (number of days): 90 days

In addition: please also provide the necessary other documents according to the checklists.