

MEDIA INFORMATION

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UK visa services in Algeria, Morocco and Tunisia now available through VFS Global

Algeria, Morocco and Tunisia are transitioning to VFS Global under the recently awarded contract to provide UK visa services in 142 countries worldwide

VFS Global is proud to announce that residents of Algeria, Morocco and Tunisia travelling to the UK can now book appointments to submit their visa applications through VFS Global's new state-of-the-art Visa Application Centres at the below locations:

- **Algiers:** ABC Tower, Tower A, 3rd Floor, Algiers, Algeria and in Oran at Othmania City, Maraval, Oran, Algeria.
- **Morocco:** 1-3 Angle Avenue Souss & Avenue Esshoul, Rabat – Morocco
- **Tunisia:** Tchad Lake Street, ZEN BUILDING, The Lake Bakes ,1053, Tunis, Tunisia.

Effective 22 October 2024 customers applying for a UK visa will be directed to VFS Global to book an appointment to complete their visa application. Customers will also have the option to choose additional services designed to make the application process easier.

VFS Global has been partners with UK Visas and Immigration since 2003, offering visa services in 58 countries prior to the new contract. In 2023, VFS Global was awarded the new contract to provide UK visa services in 142 countries worldwide.

Mr Hariprasad Vishwanathan, Head – Middle East & North Africa, VFS Global said, "We thank UK Visas and Immigration for their continued faith and support, and look forward to welcoming the residents of Algeria, Morocco and Tunisia to our new Visa Application Centres for their UK visa journeys. From comfortable premises to convenient optional services, we have best-in-class solutions ready for UK travellers from these countries."

UK visa customers can now choose from a range of optional services offered by VFS Global to provide enhanced comfort and convenience. These include document upload assistance, prime time for application submission outside of business hours, document checking service, Flexi appointment, Premium Lounge, Pre-application assistance and courier return of the passport once a decision has been made. The services can be booked in advance on www.vfsglobal.com or at the Visa Application Centre at the time of the appointment. These services are completely optional, and have no bearing on the processing timeline and outcomes of visa applications, customers who require a faster decision can purchase the [UKVI Priority Service](#).

As of December 2023, VFS Global has won the contract to provide UK visa services in the following countries –

AFRICA AND MIDDLE EAST

Algeria, Angola, Bahrain, Botswana, Cameroon, Democratic Republic of Congo, Cote d'Ivoire, Egypt, Ethiopia, Gabon, Gambia, Ghana, Iran, Kenya, Kuwait, Madagascar, Malawi, Mauritius, Morocco, Mozambique, Namibia, Nigeria, Oman, Qatar, Rwanda, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Sudan, Tanzania, Tunisia, Uganda, United Arab Emirates, Zambia, Zimbabwe

AMERICAS, AUSTRALASIA & EUROPE

Albania, Argentina, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Bahamas, Barbados, Belarus, Belgium, Bermuda, Bolivia, Bosnia & Herzegovina, Brazil, Bulgaria, Canada, Cayman Islands, Chile, Colombia, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Estonia, Fiji, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Guatemala, Guyana, Honduras, Hungary, Iceland, Iraq, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Jamaica, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kosovo, Kyrgyzstan, Latvia, Lebanon, Lithuania, Malta, Mexico, Moldova, Montenegro, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nicaragua, North Macedonia, Norway, Panama, Papua New Guinea, Peru, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russian Federation, Saint Lucia, Serbia, Slovenia, Spain, Suriname, Sweden, Switzerland, Tajikistan, Trinidad & Tobago, Turkey, Turkmenistan, Ukraine, United States of America, Uzbekistan, Vanuatu, Venezuela

CHINA AND TAIWAN

China, Taiwan

ASIA & ASIA PACIFIC

Bangladesh, Bhutan, Brunei, Cambodia, India, Indonesia, Japan, Laos, Malaysia, Maldives, Mongolia, Myanmar, Nepal, Philippines, Singapore, South Korea, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Vietnam

About VFS Global

As the world's leading outsourcing and technology service specialist, VFS Global embraces technological innovation including Generative AI to support governments and diplomatic missions worldwide. The company manages non-judgmental and administrative tasks related to applications for visa, passport, and consular services for its client governments, increasing productivity and enabling them to focus entirely on the critical task of assessment.

With a responsible approach to technology development, adoption and integration, the company prioritizes ethical practices and sustainability while serving as the trusted partner to 69 client governments. Operating over 3,400 Application Centres in 153 countries, VFS Global has efficiently processed more than 297 million applications since 2001.

Headquartered in Zurich and Dubai and majority owned through investment funds managed by Blackstone Inc, along with the Swiss-based Kuoni and Huentobler Foundation and EQT, VFS Global is

committed to creating value for all stakeholders and leading in responsible, innovative solutions making government services more effective and efficient.

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