

EMPLOYMENT VISA

For general information concerning employment in France, visit the official web site of the French Ministry of Foreign Affairs:

http://www.immigration.gouv.fr/IMG/pdf/immigrationprofessionnelle_etrangers_anglais.pdf

Employer sponsored visa

• If you are seeking employment in France it is up to your employer to submit an application to **DIRECCTE** - Direction Régionale des Entreprises, de la Concurrence, de la Consommation, du Travail et de l'Emploi (Ministry of Labour at the regional level) for an employment contract. If the application is accepted, **DIRECCTE** will then forward the file to OFII – Office Français de l'Immigration et de l'Intégration (French office for immigration and integration) for final approval. Once OFII approval reaches the Consulate, you will be notified by e-mail to schedule an appointment through our website.

You can apply at the French Consulate in Bangalore only if you reside in the States of Karnataka or Andhra Pradesh.

Download long stay application form

Mandatory Documents:

1. Passport + one copy of the identity pages, your passport must have been issued less than ten years ago, have a validity of maximum 10 years and be valid for at least three months after your return to India. Your passport must have two blank pages to affix the visa. (The amendment pages are not suitable for visas). Children must travel on their individual passports.

2. One Schengen (short stay) application form with all columns filled in and TWO recent photographs in the size of 3.5 cm x 4.5 cm with light white/grey background, head uncovered. Please print in black. Indicate also your phone numbers and e-mail,

3. Cover letter in original.

4. The OFII employment contract

5. One OFII form Please only complete the top part referring to "Rubrique à remplir lors de la demande de visa"

Important!

- The departure date must be mentioned on the visa application form.
- Dependants must apply with principal applicant through DIRECCTE/OFII procedure. Name of spouse and children must be mentioned in the OFII file to have a visa issued.
- Copies of Marriage Certificate for spouse and Birth Certificate for children must be attached to the application.
- For children between 6 to 16 years old, registration to the school is compulsory and documents confirming the same have to be submitted to the consulate.

OFII FORM

Important: The OFII form has to be filled out by all employees and their dependents except by employees on assignment and seconded employees and their dependents that will have to apply for a “carte de séjour” at their local Préfecture.

REMARKS: The Visa Officer has full authority to request more documents than those submitted by the applicant. It is necessary that you carry the original documents used to obtain the visa with you at all times. Border authorities may request that you show them upon entry to France. Note that the visa does not in itself grant you the right to enter a French territory.