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**COMMON CONSULAR INSTRUCTIONS
ON VISAS FOR THE DIPLOMATIC MISSIONS
AND CONSULAR POSTS**

(ANNEX 9)

ANNEX 9

Information to be entered by the Contracting Parties, if necessary, in the "comments" section. (*)

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- (*) Where a visa is issued through the representation procedure, each Contracting Party shall refer to this fact in the "comments" section by adding a letter R followed by the code of the country being represented.
For this purpose the following codes shall apply: Belgium – B; Czech Republic – CZE; Denmark – DK; Germany – D; Estonia – EST; Greece – GR; Spain – E; France - F; Italy - I; Latvia – LVA; Lithuania – LT; Luxembourg - L; Hungary – H; Malta – M; the Netherlands - NL; Austria – A; Poland – PL; Portugal - P; Slovenia – SVN; Slovakia – SK; Finland – FIN; Sweden – S; Iceland – IS; Norway - N; Switzerland - CH.

BENELUX

Common data which may be entered when an A, B, C or D+C visa is issued:

- BNL 1 : visa issued following authorisation by the central authorities.
- BNL 2 : visa issued ex officio.
- BNL 3 + name of the border point of entry and/or the date of entry: this code will only be indicated for security reasons in exceptional cases.
- BNL 4 : visa issued in the framework of representation following consultation of the represented State.
- BNL 5 + x days:
the visa holder must report to the police within "x days".
- BNL 6 : accompanying children excepted
If this code is not entered under this heading, the visa is valid for all the persons mentioned on the passport.
- BNL 7 + name and date of birth of the accompanying child(ren):
where there is uncertainty about the relationship between the passport holder and the accompanying child(ren), the Benelux post may indicate the number of children under the heading "Passport number". The name and date of birth of the accompanying child(ren) entered in the passport can also be indicated. This code and information can be added to prevent names being added to the passport of the person accompanying this child/these children following issue of the visa.

- BNL 8 : visa issued for "medical treatment".
If appropriate, the name of the hospital in question can be added to this code.
- BNL 9 : NO INSURANCE REQUIRED.*
- BNL 10 : visa issued for "study purposes".
- BNL 11 : visa issued for the purpose of "family reunification".
- BNL 12 : visa issued for "professional purposes".
- BNL 13 : visa issued for "business purposes".
- BNL 14 : visa issued with a view to "adoption".
- BNL 15 : C visas issued to aliens posted to an embassy, consulate, representation or international organisation, and to members of their family, spouse, children and domestic staff living in their household and dependent on them.
- BNL 16 : visa issued for "partnership";
- BNL 17 : visa issued for "marriage".

Specific national details which should be indicated:

- for Belgium when a D visa or provisional residence authorisation is issued:

- B1 : provisional residence authorisation, stay limited to duration of studies + Article 58,
Law of 15.12.1980
- B2 : enrolled at (name of the educational establishment)

* See Article 2 of the Council Decision of 22 December 2003 on the amendment of Part V, point 1.4, of the Common Consular Instructions and Part I, point 4.1.2, of the Common Manual as regards inclusion of the requirement to be in possession of travel medical insurance as one of the supporting documents for the grant of a uniform entry visa (OJ L 5, 9.1.2004, pp. 79-80).

- B3 : admitted to studies at (name of the educational establishment)
- B4 : request for diploma equivalence
- B5 : registered for admission test
- B6 : provisional residence authorisation, stay limited to duration of study grant (enter duration of study grant)
- B7 : provisional residence authorisation, stay limited to duration of exchange (enter duration of exchange)
- B8 : private school - temporary stay limited to duration of course at (name of the educational establishment) + Articles 9 and 13, Law of 15.12.1980
- B9 : secondary studies - stay limited to duration of school year + Articles 9 and 13, Law of 15.12.1980
- B10 : student family reunification - stay limited to duration of studies of spouse/father/mother/registered partner + Article 10a(1), Law of 15.12.1980
- B11 : family reunification - Article 10(1), paragraph 1, 1^o, 4^o-7^o, Law of 15.12.1980
- B12 : Articles 9 and 13, stay limited to duration of the activity exempting visa holder from the work permit or self-employed work permit requirement + (enter: duration of assignment, of research, of employment contract, of training period or of training course)
- B13 : researcher - stay limited to duration of the hosting agreement - Article 61/11, Law of 15.12.1980
- B14 : Articles 9 and 13, stay limited to duration of work permit + 1 month
- B15 : Articles 9 and 13, stay limited to duration of self-employed work permit
- B16 : Articles 9 and 13, stay limited to eight months
- B17 : temporary stay limited to 1 year + Articles 9 and 13, Law of 15.12.1980
- B18 : stay limited to six months
- B19 : temporary stay - long-term resident + Article 61/7, Law of 15.12.1980
- B20 : family reunification - Article 40a or 40b, Law of 15.12.1980
- B21 : family reunification - stay limited to duration of stay of spouse/registered partner/father/mother/son/daughter - Article 10(1), paragraph 1, 1^o + Article 10(4) + Article 13(1), paragraph 4, Law of 15.12.1980
- B22 : family reunification - return visa

- B23 : temporary stay limited to six months with a view to adoption + extension of stay will be granted following authorisation by the Aliens Office if significant progress has been made in the adoption procedure, as proved by means of a written document issued by the central federal government or the competent central community government
- B24 : temporary stay limited to 1 year - working holiday + Articles 9 and 13, Law of 15.12.1980
- B25 : Royal Decree of 20 October 1991 (this code must always be entered on visas issued to aliens posted to an embassy, consulate, representation or international organisation in Belgium, and to members of their family, spouse and children dependent on them).
N.B.: in this case the visa issued is always a C visa
- B26 : right of return - provisional residence authorisation - Article 19, Law of 15.12.1980
- B27 : authorisation to return after 1 year - provisional residence authorisation - Article 9, Law of 15.12.1980 + Royal Decree of 07.08.1995
- B28 : family reunification - stay limited to duration of stay of spouse/registered partner/father/mother - Article 10a(2) or (3), Law of 15.12.1980

- for the Netherlands when an A, B, C, D+C and D visa or provisional residence authorisation is issued:

the alien's number;

- for Luxembourg when a D or D+C visa is issued:

- L01 : employee
- L02 : self-employed
- L03 : no occupation (retired, private means)
- L04 : student (post-secondary education)
- L05 : scientific researcher
- L06 : family member of EU national
- L07 : spouse (third State)
- L08 : future spouse (third State)
- L09 : family reunification - relation in the ascending line (third State)

- L10 : family reunification - relation in the descending line (third State)
- L11 : child for adoption
- L12 : medical treatment
- L13 : humanitarian grounds
- L14 : other.

CZECH REPUBLIC

1. The first line contains date of birth of the visa holder in the format DD-MM-YY.
2. The second line contains the visa code with the following composition:
 - (a) the first reference denotes the "type of visa", entered as a capital letter in Latin script;
 - (b) the first slash is followed by the "visa symbol", entered in capital letters in Latin script;
 - (c) the second slash is followed by the "purpose of stay code", entered as two Arabic numerals;
 - (d) the third slash is followed by a specific code (only in the case of work/employment purposes), entered as two Arabic numerals;
 - (e) the fourth slash is followed by the optional "code used by diplomatic missions of the Czech Republic abroad for further entries in visa stickers", entered as a capital letter in Latin script and an Arabic numeral. One of the following symbols can be entered after the fourth slash on any type of visa:
 - V1: visa granted by decision of the head of the diplomatic mission with some requirements not having been met;
 - V2: visa granted on the instructions of headquarters;
 - K: financial security lodged;
 - B: visa granted without consulting headquarters (security screening by the Aliens and Border Police using the MVP/EVC visa system);
 - N: visa granted to a persona non grata (an alien entered in the database of personae non gratae) with the prior consent of the Aliens and Border Police.
3. The third line contains the handwritten entry "DIPLOMATICKÉ/DIPLOMATIC" for diplomatic visas or the handwritten entry "ZVLÁŠTNÍ/SPECIAL" for special visas.

Overview of the codes entered on the second line of the "comments" section in visas issued by the Czech Republic

A/VL/-/---;	single-entry airport visa
A/VD/-/---;	dual-entry airport visa
A/LD/-/---;	diplomatic single-entry airport visa
A/DD/-/---;	diplomatic dual-entry airport visa
A/LZ/-/---;	special single-entry airport visa
A/DZ/-/---;	special dual-entry airport visa
B/VJ/-/---;	single-entry transit visa
B/VO/-/---;	dual-entry transit visa
B/VE/-/---;	multiple-entry transit visa
B/JD/-/---;	diplomatic single-entry transit visa
B/OD/-/---;	diplomatic dual-entry transit visa
B/ED/-/---;	diplomatic multiple-entry transit visa
B/JZ/-/---;	special single-entry transit visa
B/OZ/-/---;	special dual-entry transit visa
B/EZ/-/---;	special multiple-entry transit visa
C/VB/00/-/---;	single-entry visa for up to 90 days – healthcare
C/VB/01/-/---;	single-entry visa for up to 90 days – work/employment purposes
C/VB/02/-/---;	single-entry visa for up to 90 days – cultural activities
C/VB/04/-/---;	single-entry visa for up to 90 days – invitation
C/VB/05/-/---;	single-entry visa for up to 90 days – official, political purposes
C/VB/07/-/---;	single-entry visa for up to 90 days – sporting activities
C/VB/08/-/---;	single-entry visa for up to 90 days – training – studies
C/VB/09/-/---;	single-entry visa for up to 90 days – tourism and transit
C/VB/93/-/---;	single-entry visa for up to 90 days – tourism ADS China

C/VF/00/-/--;	multiple-entry visa for up to 90 days – healthcare
C/VF/01/-/--;	multiple-entry visa for up to 90 days – work/employment purposes
C/VF/02/-/--;	multiple-entry visa for up to 90 days – cultural activities
C/VF/04/-/--;	multiple-entry visa for up to 90 days – invitation
C/VF/05/-/--;	multiple-entry visa for up to 90 days – official, political purposes
C/VF/07/-/--;	multiple-entry visa for up to 90 days – sporting activities
C/VF/08/-/--;	multiple-entry visa for up to 90 days – training – studies
C/VF/09/-/--;	multiple-entry visa for up to 90 days – tourism and transit
C/VF/93/-/--;	multiple-entry visa for up to 90 days – tourism ADS China
C/VT/-/--;	multiple-entry visa for up to 90 days with stay extended to 180 days
C/BD/-/--;	diplomatic single-entry visa for up to 90 days
C/FD/-/--;	diplomatic multiple-entry visa for up to 90 days
C/TD/-/--;	diplomatic multiple-entry visa for up to 90 days with stay extended to 180 days
C/BZ/-/--;	special single-entry visa for up to 90 days
C/FZ/-/--;	special multiple-entry visa for up to 90 days
C/TZ/-/--;	special multiple-entry visa for up to 90 days with stay extended to 180 days
C/VG/-/--;	visa allowing entry for the purpose of filing an application for permission to stay in order to seek temporary protection (Section 2, paragraph 1, letter a) of Act No 221/2003)
C/VB/92/-/--;	single-entry visa for up to 90 days granted pursuant to Section 7 of Act No 326/1999 (where an alien applies for asylum in the transit area of an international airport and the decision rejecting the asylum application raises an obstacle to his/her exit from the territory)
C/VK/81/-/--;	single-entry visa for up to 90 days – declaration of the intention to apply for asylum, i.e. entry visa under Section 3d of Act No 325/1999 on asylum
C/VK/83/-/--;	single-entry visa for up to 90 days – for the purpose of following the asylum procedure under Section 72 of Act No 325/1999 on asylum

D/VC/00/-/--;	multiple-entry visa for over 90 days – healthcare
D/VC/01/01/--;	multiple-entry visa for over 90 days – work/employment purposes – farmer
D/VC/01/02/--;	multiple-entry visa for over 90 days – work/employment purposes – architect
D/VC/01/03/--;	multiple-entry visa for over 90 days – work/employment purposes – craftsman
D/VC/01/04/--;	multiple-entry visa for over 90 days – work/employment purposes – legal profession (lawyer, legal adviser)
D/VC/01/05/--;	multiple-entry visa for over 90 days – work/employment purposes – artist
D/VC/01/06/--;	multiple-entry visa for over 90 days – work/employment purposes – banker
D/VC/01/07/--;	multiple-entry visa for over 90 days – work/employment purposes – businessman
D/VC/01/08/--;	multiple-entry visa for over 90 days – work/employment purposes – manager
D/VC/01/09/--;	multiple-entry visa for over 90 days – work/employment purposes – clergyman (religious official)
D/VC/01/10/--;	multiple-entry visa for over 90 days – work/employment purposes – professional driver
D/VC/01/12/--;	multiple-entry visa for over 90 days – work/employment purposes – scientific worker
D/VC/01/13/--;	multiple-entry visa for over 90 days – work/employment purposes – teacher
D/VC/01/14/--;	multiple-entry visa for over 90 days – work/employment purposes – private-sector administrative worker (white-collar worker)
D/VC/01/15/--;	multiple-entry visa for over 90 days – work/employment purposes – civil servant (public-sector worker)
D/VC/01/16/--;	multiple-entry visa for over 90 days – work/employment purposes – politician
D/VC/01/17/--;	multiple-entry visa for over 90 days – work/employment purposes – computer expert
D/VC/01/18/--;	multiple-entry visa for over 90 days – work/employment purposes – specialist in electronics

D/VC/01/19/--;	multiple-entry visa for over 90 days – work/employment purposes – chemist/chemical engineer
D/VC/01/20/--;	multiple-entry visa for over 90 days – work/employment purposes – specialist in other engineering field
D/VC/01/21/--;	multiple-entry visa for over 90 days – work/employment purposes – journalist
D/VC/01/22/--;	multiple-entry visa for over 90 days – work/employment purposes – medical profession (doctor, surgeon, nurse, veterinary surgeon, etc.)
D/VC/01/23/--;	multiple-entry visa for over 90 days – work/employment purposes – sailor
D/VC/01/24/--;	multiple-entry visa for over 90 days – work/employment purposes – worker (blue-collar worker)
D/VC/01/25/--;	multiple-entry visa for over 90 days – work/employment purposes – self-employed person
D/VC/01/26/--;	multiple-entry visa for over 90 days – work/employment purposes – work in the field of fashion and cosmetics
D/VC/01/27/--;	multiple-entry visa for over 90 days – work/employment purposes – policeman, serviceman
D/VC/01/28/--;	multiple-entry visa for over 90 days – work/employment purposes – pensioner
D/VC/01/29/--;	multiple-entry visa for over 90 days – work/employment purposes – professional sportsman
D/VC/01/30/--;	multiple-entry visa for over 90 days – work/employment purposes – unemployed
D/VC/01/31/--;	multiple-entry visa for over 90 days – work/employment purposes – student, trainee
D/VC/01/32/--;	multiple-entry visa for over 90 days – work/employment purposes – diplomat
D/VC/01/33/--;	multiple-entry visa for over 90 days – work/employment purposes – member of the administrative, technical or service staff at a diplomatic mission or consular post

D/VC/01/34/--;	multiple-entry visa for over 90 days – work/employment purposes – member of a diplomat's private staff
D/VC/01/35/--;	multiple-entry visa for over 90 days – work/employment purposes – judge
D/VC/01/36/--;	multiple-entry visa for over 90 days – work/employment purposes – executive manager – in a legal entity established under Act No 513/1991
D/VC/01/99/--;	multiple-entry visa for over 90 days – work/employment purposes – other
D/VC/02/-/--;	multiple-entry visa for over 90 days – cultural activities
D/VC/03/-/--;	multiple-entry visa for over 90 days – family visit
D/VC/04/-/--;	multiple-entry visa for over 90 days – invitation
D/VC/05/-/--;	multiple-entry visa for over 90 days – official, political purposes
D/VC/06/-/--;	multiple-entry visa for over 90 days – professional reasons – business
D/VC/07/-/--;	multiple-entry visa for over 90 days – sporting activities
D/VC/08/-/--;	multiple-entry visa for over 90 days – training – studies
D/VC/09/-/--;	multiple-entry visa for over 90 days – tourism and transit
D/VS/84/-/--;	multiple-entry visa for over 90 days for stay on sufferance under Section 78b of Act No 325/1999 on asylum
D/VS/91/-/--;	multiple-entry visa for over 90 days for stay on sufferance, entitling the holder merely to remain within the territory of the Czech Republic, not to cross its state borders
D/VC/85/-/--;	multiple-entry visa for over 90 days in order to seek temporary protection – declaration of intent at the border crossing
D/VC/86/-/--;	multiple-entry visa for over 90 days in order to seek temporary protection – applicants
D/VC/87/-/--;	multiple-entry visa for over 90 days in order to seek temporary protection – granted

D/VR/-/-/--;	single-entry visa for over 90 days in order to take possession of a residence permit
D/UD/-/-/--;	single-entry visa for over 90 days for the purpose of applying for a long-term residence permit granted by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs – diplomatic
D/UZ/-/-/--;	single-entry visa for over 90 days for the purpose of applying for a long-term residence permit granted by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs – special
R/VV/-/-/--;	Departure Order (this is not a visa)

DENMARK

Danish representations may enter the following comments:

"Gælder for Færøerne" (valid for the Faroe Islands)

or

"Gælder for Grønland" (valid for Greenland)

or

"Gælder for Færøerne og Grønland" (valid for the Faroe Islands and Greenland)

"Ansæt hos [virksomhedens navn] [navn på modtageren af tjenesteydelsen]" (employed by [name of firm] [name of service recipient])

"Garanti stillet" (guarantee provided).

GERMANY

1. The name of the official responsible for issuing visas
2. In cases where there are security risks, especially if an alert exists for the arrest of the person, the German post will indicate, exceptionally, the name of the post and the date of entry.
3. The sticker will exceptionally indicate the nationality of the holder of the visa and the passport, if this is not obvious from the passport.
4. Endorsements for or restrictions upon B visas:
 - Transit (transit)
 - Transit Seeman (seaman in transit)
5. Endorsements for or restrictions upon C visas:
 - Diplomatischer Kurier (diplomatic mail/courier)
 - Visa de Courtoisie (courtesy visa)
 - Visa de Courtoisie/Dienstreise (courtesy visa for travel on official business)
 - Gratis-Visum (visa free of charge)
 - Gratis-Visum/Dienstreise (visa free of charge for travel on official business)
 - Besuchs-/Geschäftsvisum (visit/business visa)
 - Touristisches Visum (tourist visa)
 - Medizinische Behandlung (medical treatment)

- Erwerbstätigkeit nicht gestattet, Tätigkeiten gem. §...i.V.m. §16 BeschV gestattet (work prohibited, activities permitted pursuant to paragraph... in conjunction with paragraph 16 of the Employment Regulation) ¹
- Nur selbständige Tätigkeiten nach §...i.V.m §16 BeschV gestattet (Only activities as a self-employed worker permitted under paragraph ... in conjunction with paragraph 16 of the Employment Regulation)
- R (+ code of represented State)
- Nachweis der Krankenversicherung nicht erforderlich (proof of health insurance not required) ²
- ADS ³
- Nur in Begleitung des Arbeitgebers/der Familie (only accompanied by employer/family)
- Teilnahme an Sportsveranstaltungen (participation in sporting events)
- Familienangehöriger eines Unionsbürgers/EWR-Bürgers
(family member of Union/EEA national)

¹ This restriction is applied in cases where certain activities, defined more precisely by insertion of the more exact source in the Employment Regulation, are to be pursued in Germany, which under paragraph 16 of the Employment Regulation are not work as defined in the Residence Act if they are engaged in for up to three months within a period of twelve months on the territory of the Federal Republic of Germany.

² See Article 2 of the Council Decision of 22 December 2003 on the amendment of Part V, point 1.4, of the Common Consular Instructions and Part I, point 4.1.2 of the Common Manual as regards inclusion of the requirement to be in possession of travel medical insurance as one of the supporting documents for the grant of a uniform entry visa (OJ No L 5, p. 79 et seq., 9.1.2004).

³ See Article 4(3)(c) of the Memorandum of Understanding between the European Community and the National Tourism Administration of the People's Republic of China on visa and related issues concerning tourist groups from the People's Republic of China (ADS), OJ No L 83, p. 14 et seq.

6. Endorsements for or restrictions upon particular D ¹ , C and D+C visas:

- Diplomatisches Visum (diplomatic visa)
- Dienstliches Visum (service visa)
- Studium, Beschäftigung nur gem. §16 Abs. 3 AufenthG gestattet (study, employment permitted only as under paragraph 16(3) of the Residence Act)
- Studienbewerbervisum (study applicant's visa)
- Sprachkurs (language course)
- Erwerbstätigkeit nicht gestattet (employment not permitted)
- Sonstige Erwerbstätigkeit nicht gestattet (other employment not permitted)
- Aufenthaltsanzeige nach Einreise (presence to be reported after entry) ²
- Selbständige Erwerbstätigkeit als gestattet (self-employment as ³ permitted)
- Beschäftigung nur gem. §... BeschV gestattet (employment permitted only as under paragraph ... ⁴ of the Employment Regulation)
- Beschäftigung nur gem. §39 BeschV i.V.m. Werkvertragsarbeitnehmerkarte gestattet (employment permitted only as under paragraph 39 of the Employment Regulation in conjunction with the work contract worker card)
- Visumerteilung nach "Van der Elst" (visa issued under the "Van der Elst" ruling)
- Familienzusammenführung (family reunification)
- Eheschließung und gemeinsame Wohnsitznahme (marriage and common residence)
- Aufnahme nach §23 Abs. 2 AufenthG (admission under paragraph 23(2) of the Residence Act)
- Spätaussiedler (ethnic Germans returning from abroad in recent times)

¹ For D visas Germany reserves the right to prescribe further restrictions and conditions as well as specific additional endorsements.

² In certain cases only (e.g. at the request of a German internal aliens authority).

³ The exact designation of the permitted self-employed work is inserted here.

⁴ The type of work which may be done in Germany is specified here, with the insertion of the source in the Employment Regulation (Beschäftigungsverordnung - BeschV).

- mit Bedingungen/Auflagen versehen (subject to conditions/restrictions) ¹
- Die Aufenthaltsdauer entspricht dem in Zeile 2 eingetragenen Gültigkeitszeitraum
(length of stay to comply with the period of validity indicated in line 2)
- ABH... (immigration authority) ²
- Familienangehöriger eines Unionsbürgers/EWR-Bürgers
(family member of Union/EEA national)

¹ Conditions/restrictions are entered in the passport next to the visa sticker.

² Where the visa was issued with the consent of a German immigration authority, the name of the authority is entered here.

G R E E C E¹

1. Stamp bearing the full name of the official responsible for issuing the visa.
2. Signature of the official responsible for issuing the visa.
3. Fees payable to cover the administrative costs of handling the visa application, or the endorsement "ΑΤΕΛΟΣ" (gratis).
4. The visa holder's name, date and place of birth, nationality at birth, current nationality and passport number and the names of the visa-holder's parents, if this information is not given in the passport.
5. The number of relatives entered in the visa holder's passport, and an indication of their relationship with the visa holder.
6. If the children entered in the passport are not included in the visa, the words "ΕΚΤΟΣ ΑΠΟ ΤΑ ΤΕΚΝΑ" (not including the children) will be entered in the visa.
7. If some of the children entered in the passport are not included in the visa, the full names of the children travelling with their parents will be entered.
8. The name(s) and date(s) of birth of the child/children referred to in the passport of the person accompanying them.
9. In exceptional circumstances, for security reasons, the date of the person's entry and the name of the border post will be given.

¹ This provision applies to A, B and C visas. Details other than those specified here may appear on D and D+C visas.

10. If there are objections from a Member State under the consultation procedure or, as a result of that procedure, there are delays in obtaining the necessary reply, it may be decided, after consultation of the Central Administration of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, to issue a visa, which will then bear the words "ΕΙΔΙΚΗ ΘΕΩΡΗΣΗ ΥΠΕΞ/Γ4" (special visa Ministry of Foreign Affairs/C4), followed by the reference number and date of the relevant authorisation e.g. ΑΣ 140361/09.02.05.
11. If, despite the fact that the applicant appears on the list of non-admitted persons, it is decided after consultation of the Central Administration of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs to issue a visa, that visa will bear the words "ΕΙΔΙΚΗ ΘΕΩΡΗΣΗ ΥΠΕΞ/Γ4" (special visa Ministry of Foreign Affairs/C4), followed by the reference number and date of the relevant authorisation e.g. ΑΣ 140361/09.02.05.
12. If the visa is issued entirely on the responsibility of the diplomatic or consular authority which received the application, without prior consultation of the Central Administration, then it will bear the words "ΕΙΔΙΚΗ ΘΕΩΡΗΣΗ" (special visa), followed by the name of the issuing authority e.g. Γεν. Προξενείο ΣΙΔΝΕΥ (Consulate General – Sydney).

13. Depending on the purpose of the visit and the type of visa, the following may also be entered:

1	ADS = "APPROVED DESTINATION STATUS"
2	SPORTING ACTIVITIES
3	DIPLOMATIC VISA
4	PROFESSIONAL REASONS
5	RELIGIOUS REASONS
6	MEDICAL REASONS
7	SEAFARING
8	TIR DRIVER
9	FAMILY MEMBER OF EU/EEA NATIONAL
10	FAMILY MEMBER OF GREEK NATIONAL
11	CULTURAL ACTIVITIES
12	INVITATION
13	VIP
14	CONFERENCE
15	TOURISM
16	ADOPTION
17	NO INSURANCE REQUIRED*

* In accordance with Article 2 of the Council Decision of 22 December 2003 amending Part V, point 1.4, of the Common Consular Instructions and Part I, point 4.1.2 of the Common Manual as regards inclusion of the requirement to be in possession of travel medical insurance as one of the supporting documents for the grant of a uniform entry visa (OJ L 5, 9.1.2004, pp. 79-80).

SPAIN

Common entries applicable to all types of visas

- Signature of the official responsible for issuing the visa.
- Signature-stamp showing the surname and given names of the official who affixes the signature.
- Group of letters and numbers (up to 10 characters) showing the nationality of the applicant, the Spanish consulate dealing with the application, the type of visa and the reasons for the visa application.

Specific entries in A visas

TRANSITO AEROPORTUARIO (airport transit)

Specific entries in B visas

TRANSITO (transit)

TRANSITO; NO NECESITA SEGURO (transit; no insurance required)

TRANSITO COLECTIVO (group transit)

Specific entries in C visas

ADS (= "Approved Destination Status")

ESTANCIA (stay)

ESTANCIA; NO NECESITA SEGURO (stay; no insurance required)

REAGRUPACION FAMILIAR UE/EEE (EU/EEA family reunification)

ESTANCIA CEUTA (stay Ceuta)

ESTANCIA MELILLA (stay Melilla)

ESTANCIA COLECTIVO (group stay)

ESTANCIA; BUSQUEDA EMPLEO (stay; seeking employment)

Specific entries in D visas

RESIDENCIA; ACREDITACION MAEC (residence; accreditation Ministry of Foreign Affairs
and Cooperation)

ESTUDIOS HASTA 180 DIAS (study up to 180 days)

ESTUDIOS (study)

RESIDENCIA (residence)

TRABAJO Y RESIDENCE (work and residence)

TRABAJO TEMPORADA (temporary work)

TRABAJO TEMPORADA HASTA 180 DAYS (temporary work up to 180 days)

FRANCE

1. Indications to appear on all Schengen visa stickers, regardless of visa type:
 - name of signatory
 - signature
2. In addition, Schengen visa stickers may carry different headings, depending on the visa type. These are referred to as "first heading", "second heading" or "third heading":

2.1. First heading

ACCORD DDTEFP (approval of the departmental directorate for work, employment and vocational training)

ANCIEN COMBATTANT (war veteran)

ARTISTE (artist)

ASCENDANT NON A CHARGE (older non-dependent relative)

ASSURANCE NON REQUISE (no insurance required)

COMMERCANT (trader)

CONJOINT DE SCIENTIFIQUE (spouse of a scientist)

DIPLOMATIQUE (diplomatic)

DIRECTIVE 2001/55/CE (Directive 2001/55/EC)

ECHANGES DE JEUNES/CANADA - 2A (youth exchanges/Canada)

ECHANGES DE JEUNES/CANADA - 2B (youth exchanges/Canada)

ECHANGES DE JEUNES/CANADA - 2C (youth exchanges/Canada)

ECHANGES DE JEUNES/CANADA - 2D (youth exchanges/Canada)

ECHANGES DE JEUNES/CANADA - 2E (youth exchanges/Canada)
EMPLOYE DE DIPLOMATE (diplomatic employee)
ETUDIANT (student)
ETUDIANT CONCOURS (examination candidate)
FAM. EMPLOYE DE DIPLOMATE (family of diplomatic employee)
FAM.PERS.ADM.TECH.SERVICE (family of administrative, technical and service staff)
FAMILLE DE DIPLOMATE (family of diplomat)
FAMILLE DE FRANCAIS (French family tie)
FAMILLE DE RESSORTISSANT SUISSE (Swiss family tie)
FAMILLE UE/EEE (EU/EEA family tie)
JEUNE PROFESSIONNEL (young professional)
MAI (Intercountry Adoption Mission)
MINEUR SCOLARISE (school pupil)
NON PROFESSIONNEL (non-professional)
PENSIONNE DU TRAVAIL (pensioner work)
PERS.ADM.TECH.SERVICE (administrative, technical and service staff)
PERSONNEL ITER-CADARACHE (ITER Cadarache staff)
REGROUPEMENT FAMILIAL (family reunification)
REGROUPEMENT FAMILIAL ANAEM (family reunification – ANAEM)
SAISONNIER ANAEM (seasonal worker – ANAEM)
SALARIE (employee)
SALARIE ANEAM (employee – ANAEM)
SCIENTIFIQUE (scientist)
SDA (approved destination status)
SERVICE (service)
TRANSIT (transit)
TRANSIT AEROPORTUAIRE (airport transit)

VACANCES TRAVAIL/AUSTRALIE (working holiday/Australia)
VACANCES TRAVAIL/JAPON (working holiday/Japan)
VACANCES TRAVAIL/NOUVELLE-ZELANDE (working holiday/New Zealand)
VISA SPECIAL No x (special visa No ...)
VISITEUR (visitor)
VOYAGE D'AFFAIRES (business trip)

2.2. Second heading

ASSURANCE NON REQUISE (no insurance required)
DEPARTEMENTS FRANCAIS D'AMERIQUE (French departments of America)
GUADELOUPE (Guadeloupe)
GUYANE (French Guiana)
MARTINIQUE (Martinique)
MAYOTTE (Mayotte)
MONACO (Monaco)
NOUVELLE CALEDONIE (New Caledonia)
POLYNESIE FRANCAISE (French Polynesia)
R A (REP. AUTRICHE) (Austria)
R B (REP. BELGIQUE) (Belgium)
R D (REP. ALLEMAGNE) (Germany)
R DK (REP. DANEMARK) (Denmark)
R E (REP. ESPAGNE) (Spain)
R FIN (REP. FINLANDE) (Finland)
R GR (REP. GRECE) (Greece)
R I (REP. ITALIE) (Italy)
R IS (REP. ISLANDE) (Iceland)
R L (REP. LUXEMBOURG) (Luxembourg)

R N (REP. NORVEGE) (Norway)
R NL (REP. PAYS-BAS) (Netherlands)
R P (REP. PORTUGAL) (Portugal)
R S (REP. SUEDE) (Sweden)
REUNION (Reunion)
SAINT PIERRE ET MIQUELON (Saint Pierre and Miquelon)
TERRES AUSTRALES (French Southern Territories)
WALLIS ET FUTUNA (Wallis and Futuna)

2.3. Third heading

APT A SOLLICITER DES L'ARRIVEE (temporary work permit to be requested on arrival)
APT ET CARTE DE SEJOUR A SOLLICITER DES L'ARRIVEE (temporary work permit and residence permit to be requested on arrival)
AUTORISE SEULEMENT EN ZONE INTERNATIONALE (authorisation covering the international area alone)
CARTE DE SEJ. A SOLLICITER DES L'ARRIVEE (residence permit to be requested on arrival)
CARTE PROMAE A SOLLICITER DES L'ARRIVEE (Ministry of Foreign Affairs protocol card to be requested on arrival)
DISPENSE TEMPORAIRE DE CARTE DE SEJOUR (temporarily exempt from residence permit)
XXX = VOIR CARTE SEJOUR PARENTS (see parents' residence permit)
COURT SEJOUR CIRCULATION (short-stay travel)

3. Lastly, on occasion France issues visas on behalf of African third countries. In such cases the old "71/VI" type of visa sticker, and NOT a Schengen visa sticker, is issued. For information purposes only, the following entries may appear thereon:

DJIBOUTI (Djibouti)

La CENTRAFRIQUE (Central African Republic)

La COTE D'IVOIRE (Côte d'Ivoire)

La MAURITANIE (Mauritania)

Le BURKINA (Burkina Faso)

Le GABON (Gabon)

Le SENEGAL (Senegal)

Le TOGO (Togo).

ITALY

The following wording is used:

1) In the first line:

"TRANSITO AEROPORTUALE" (airport transit)

"TRANSITO" (transit)

a) Short-stay visas

"AFFARI" (business)

"CURE MEDICHE" (medical treatment)

"GARA SPORTIVA" (sporting event)

"INVITO" (invitation)

"LAVORO AUTONOMO" (self-employed work)

"LAVORO AUTONOMO/SPETTACOLO" (self-employed work/entertainment)

"LAVORO AUTONOMO/SPORT" (self-employed work/sport)

"LAVORO SUBORDINATO" (employee)

"LAVORO SUBORDINATO/MARITTIMI" (employee/maritime)

"LAVORO SUBORDINATO/SPETTACOLO" (employee/entertainment)

"LAVORO SUBORDINATO/SPORT" (employee/sport)

"MISSIONE" (mission)

"MOTIVI RELIGIOSI" (religious grounds)

"STUDIO" (studies)

"STUDIO/UNIVERSITÀ" (studies/university)

"TRASPORTO" (transport)

"TURISMO" (tourism).

b) Long-stay visas

"ADOZIONE" (adoption)
"CURE MEDICHE" (medical treatment)
"DIPLOMATICO" (diplomatic)
"FAMILIARE AL SEGUITO" (accompanying family member)
"INSERIMENTO NEL MERCATO DEL LAVORO" (employment)
"INSERIMENTO NEL MERCATO DEL LAVORO/SPONSOR" (employment/sponsor)
"LAVORO AUTONOMO" (self-employed work)
"LAVORO AUTONOMO/SPETTACOLO" (self-employed work/entertainment)
"LAVORO AUTONOMO/SPORT" (self-employed work/sport)
"LAVORO SUBORDINATO" (employee)
"LAVORO SUBORDINATO/MARITTIMI" (employee/maritime)
"LAVORO SUBORDINATO/SPETTACOLO" (employee/entertainment)
"LAVORO SUBORDINATO/SPORT" (employee/sport)
"MISSIONE" (mission)
"MOTIVI RELIGIOSI" (religious grounds)
"REINGRESSO" (return)
"RESIDENZA ELETTIVA" (elective residence)
"RICONGIUNGIMENTO FAMILIARE" (family reunion)
"STUDIO" (studies)
"STUDIO/UNIVERSITÀ" (studies/university)
"VACANZE LAVORO" (working holiday).

2) In the second line:

- possible mention of border crossing point of entry and exit.

3) In the third line:

- the surname of the consular official who signed the visa.

L A T V I A

1. The name of the official responsible for issuing the visa.
2. The following text may be entered in the first line of the "Comments" section:
 - "R" and code of the represented Member State, if a visa is issued in representation;
 - "AIRPORT TRANSIT" – airport transit visa;
 - "TRANSIT" – transit visa;
 - "SEAMAN IN TRANSIT" – transit visa issued to the seaman in transit;
 - "DIPLOMATIC" – diplomatic visa;
 - "OFFICIAL" – official (service) visa.
3. The following text for D visas may be entered in the first line of the "Comments" section:
 - "LONG-STAY VISA" – long-stay visa;
 - "FOR RESIDENCE PERMIT" – long-stay visa issued according to the positive decision of the Office of Citizenship and Migration Affairs on issuance of residence permit. After entry into Latvia the person has to receive a residence permit;
 - "FRONTIER AREA" – long-stay visa issued to the border resident according to the bilateral agreement.

3. In the second (or third) line of the "Comments" section may be entered the following text:

- "EU/EEA/CH FAMILY MEMBER" – family member of the European Union, European Economic Area or Swiss Confederation national;
- "NO INSURANCE REQUIRED" – proof of travel health/medical insurance is not required;
- "INTERNATIONAL ROAD CARRIER" – visa issued to the international road carrier;
- "RAILROAD CARRIER" – visa issued to the railroad carrier;
- "HUMANITARIAN REASONS" – visa is issued in exceptional cases according to the Art.16 of the Immigration Law;
- "VALID IN LATVIA ONLY WITH WORK PERMIT" – after the first entry into Latvia the person has to receive a work permit.

LITHUANIA

First heading

Code	Meaning
Airport transit visa (A)	
DIPL	Third-country national, holding diplomatic passport (<i>compulsory record</i>)
TARN	Third-country national, holding service passport (<i>compulsory record</i>)
Transit visa (B)	
DIPL	Third-country national, holding diplomatic passport (<i>compulsory record</i>)
TARN	Third-country national, holding service passport (<i>compulsory record</i>)
B-6	Group visa
B-11	Carrier
Short-stay visa (C)	
DIPL	Third-country national, holding diplomatic passport (<i>compulsory record</i>)
TARN	Third-country national, holding service passport (<i>compulsory record</i>)
C-2	Occupation interest (<i>issued for third-country nationals engaged in second hand motor vehicles' trade</i>)
C-3	Border resident
C-4	Kaliningrad resident
C-5	Period of stay in the Republic of Lithuania extended for a third-country national in possession of a visa
C-6	Group visa
C-10	Travel without invitation
C-11	Carrier
NO INSURANCE REQUIRED	No insurance required
ADS	Chinese tourist group
Long-stay visa (D)	
DIPL	Third-country national, holding diplomatic passport (<i>compulsory record</i>)
TARN	Third-country national, holding service passport (<i>compulsory record</i>)
D-1	Decision to issue resident permit
D-2	Entitling to work
D-3	Border resident
D-4	Kaliningrad resident
D-14	Entitling to study
D-15	Entitling to participate in an internship programme
D-16	Entitling to undergo in-service training
D-17	Seaman
D-18	Seasonal employee
<u>Second heading</u>	
Handling fee with identification of currency or "GRATIS" record	

HUNGARY

AIRPORT TRANSIT VISAS

- Gyermekek/Children: <serial number of the child registered in the visa sticker>.
<family name>, <given name> (<date of birth: dd-mm-yy>)*

TRANSIT VISAS

- Átutazás/Transit**
- Gyermekek/Children: <serial number of the child registered in the visa sticker>.
<family name>, <given name> (<date of birth: dd-mm-yy>)*
- egyéni biztosítás (individual insurance) or nemzetközi megállapodás alapján (insured under international agreement) or biztosítás nem szükséges (no insurance required)***

SHORT-STAY VISAS

- Kutatás/Research**
Önkéntes tevékenység / Voluntary**
Keresőtevékenység / Paid activity**
Hivatalos / Official**
Turista / Tourist**
Látogatás / Visit**
Üzleti / Business**

* This information is written on the visa sticker if the child(ren) accompany the holder of the travel document.

** The purpose of the visit is written in both Hungarian and English.

*** The reference to the insurance is only written in Hungarian.

Tanulmányi / Studies**

Gyógykezelés / Medical treatment**

Sport/Sport**

Konferencia/Conference**

Kulturális/Cultural**

- Gyermekek/Children: < serial number of the child registered in the visa sticker >.
<family name>, <given name> (<date of birth: dd-mm-yy>)*
- egyéni biztosítás (individual insurance) *or* nemzetközi megállapodás alapján (insured under international agreement) *or* biztosítás nem szükséges (no insurance required)***
- EGT-családtag/Family member of an EEA citizen****

LONG-STAY VISAS AND VISAS ENTITLING THE HOLDER TO RECEIVE A RESIDENCE PERMIT

- Kutatás/Research**
Önkéntes tevékenység / Voluntary**
Szezonális munkavállalás(alkalmi) / Seasonal employment**
Keresőtevékenység / Paid activity**
Nemzeti tartózkodás / National permit of stay**
Szezonális munkavállalás / Seasonal employment**
Családegyesítés / Family reunification**
Hivatalos / Official**
Látogatás / Visit**
Tanulmányi / Studies**
Gyógykezelés / Medical treatment**
- Gyermekek/Children: < serial number of the child registered in the visa sticker >.
<family name>, <given name> (<date of birth: dd-mm-yy>)*
- egyéni biztosítás (individual insurance) *or* nemzetközi megállapodás alapján (insured under international agreement) *or* biztosítás nem szükséges (no insurance required)***

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- * This information is written on the visa sticker if the child(ren) accompany the holder of the travel document.
- ** The purpose of the visit is written in both Hungarian and English.
- *** The reference to the insurance is only written in Hungarian.
- **** If applicable, written in both Hungarian and English.

A U S T R I A

The following entries are made in the following sequence:

1. The entries "DIENSTVISUM" (service visa) or "DIPLOMATENVISUM" (diplomatic visa) are only used by the Federal Ministry for Foreign Affairs or the Austrian diplomatic representations abroad.
2. Fees collected are entered as "EUR/ATS .../FW ..." or "GRATIS".
3. If the visa is issued on the basis of a letter of guarantee (Verpflichtungserklärung), "V" is entered.
4. If the visa is issued on the basis of a tourist carnet from the ÖAM (Austrian Automobile Club) or a travel voucher from ELVIA, "V(ÖAMTC)" or "V(ELVIA)" is entered.
5. If the visa is issued on the basis of a general letter of guarantee (Generalverpflichtungserklärung), "GVE" is entered.
6. If the visa is issued to a HGV driver, "F" is entered.
7. If some of the children entered in the passport are not to be included on the visa, the names of the children travelling with their parents are entered.
8. If the visa is issued for a collective passport, "S" and, in brackets, the number of persons for whom the visa is valid are entered.
9. A 3-letter name code for the person authorised to sign the visa (the code being allocated by the representing authority or border crossing point) is entered approximately 1 cm from the right-hand margin of the last line of the section headed "Comments".

POLAND

The following entries can appear in the "comments" section on the visa sticker for C and D visas:

The phrase "cel wydania" (purpose of issuance) will be followed by the designations:

- "01" visa issued for the purpose of tourism,
- "02" visa issued for the purpose of visit,
- "03" visa issued for the purpose of participation in sport events,
- "04" visa issued for the purpose of carrying out economic activity,
- "05" visa issued for the purpose of carrying out cultural activity or participation in international conferences,
- "06" visa issued for the purpose of performance of statutory functions by representatives of a foreign state authority or an international organization,
- "07" visa issued for the purpose of taking part in asylum procedure,
- "08" visa issued for the purpose of employment,
- "09" visa issued for the purpose of scientific, training or teaching activity - with the exception of employment,
- "10" visa issued for the purpose of temporary protection,

- "11" visa issued for reasons referred to in art. 33 paragraph 1 of the Aliens Act¹,
- "12"- visa issued for the purpose of the residence of a minor, referred to in art. 34 of the Aliens Act²,
- "13" visa issued for the purpose referred to in art. 44 par. 3³, art. 61 par. 3⁴ and art. 71a par. 3⁵ of the Aliens Act,
- "14" entry visa issued to a family member accompanying a repatriate,
- "15" entry visa issued to an alien who has been granted temporary or permanent residence permit or long-term EC resident status,

¹ **Art. 33 (1)**

1. National visa may be issued to an alien, in spite of the circumstances referred to in art. 42 (*circumstances that justify a refusal of a visa*), if:
 - 1) Polish law requires that he/she should appear in person before a Polish public authority;
 - 2) his/her entry into the territory of the Republic of Poland is indispensable because of the necessity to undergo medical treatment to rescue his/her life, which he/she cannot undergo in another country;
 - 3) an exceptional personal situation requires his/her presence in the territory of the Republic of Poland;
 - 4) it is required by the interest of the Republic of Poland;
 - 5) there is a well-founded reason to suspect that an alien is a victim of trafficking in human beings within the meaning of Council Framework Decision of 19 July 2002 on combating trafficking in human beings (O.J. EC L 203 of 1.08.2002), and it has been confirmed by an authority competent with respect to conduct procedure on combating trafficking in human beings.

² **Art. 34**

1. National visa shall be issued to a minor alien born in the territory of the Republic of Poland, at the request of his/her legal representative, who resides in the territory of the Republic of Poland on the basis of a visa.
2. If a minor referred to in par. 1 has been included in the travel document of his/her legal representative, the visa issued formerly to a legal representative shall be cancelled and replaced by a new visa issued for both a legal representative and a minor.
3. The periods of residence and validity of the visa issued to a minor shall be the same as periods of residence and validity of the visa issued to a legal representative. In the case referred to in par. 2 the periods of residence and validity of the visa shall expire on the day indicated in the cancelled visa.

³ **Art. 44 (1-3)**

1. An alien is obliged to submit an application for prolongation of a visa at least 7 days before the end of the stay period indicated in a uniform visa or at least 14 days before the end of the stay period indicated in a national visa.
2. If an application for prolongation of a visa has been submitted within time limit referred to in par. 1. the voivod shall decide upon a prolongation before the end of the stay period indicated in the visa,
3. In cases when prolongation of a visa in line with the conditions referred to in par. 2 is not possible, the voivod shall issue to the alien a new visa for a period of stay corresponding to the duration of first instance proceedings.

⁴ **Art. 61 (1)(3)**

1. An alien residing in the territory of the Republic of Poland is obliged to submit an application for granting a temporary residence permit at least 45 days before the end of the period of stay indicated in the visa or before the expiry of the previous residence permit.
3. If the application has been submitted in line with the conditions referred to in par. 1 the voivod shall issue to the alien a visa valid until the final decision is delivered.

⁵ **Art. 71a (1)(3)**

1. An alien may submit the application for a permanent residence permit or a long-term EC resident status while residing legally in the territory of the Republic of Poland.
3. If the final decision on granting a permanent residence permit or a long-term EC resident status is not delivered before the end of the legally allowed period of alien's stay in the territory of the Republic of Poland, a voivod shall issue to him/her a visa valid until the final decision is delivered.

- "16" visa issued to EU, EFTA or Swiss Federation citizens' family members who accompany or join them,
- "17" visa issued for the purpose of participation in cultural or educational exchange programs, charitable work or students summer employment programs,
- "18" entry visa issued for the purpose of repatriation,
- "19" visa issued for a purpose other than specified above,
- "dyplomatyczna" - diplomatic visa,
- "służbowa" – service visa,
- "kurierska" – courier visa,
- "N-INS " – the requirement to be in possession of travel medical insurance has been waived.

PORTUGAL

1. Letter "A" if the visa is issued following consultation with the central authorities. Letter "B" if the visa is issued without consulting the central authorities.
2. Letter "R" followed by the national code of the represented State if the visa is issued for another Schengen State in the framework of representation.
3. Signature of the official responsible for issuing the visa.
4. National stamp.
5. Endorsement with "study", "temporary stay", "residence", "sport/entertainment", "research/highly qualified work", "self-employed work" or "paid work" depending on the type of national visa issued.

SLOVENIA

1. Endorsements upon A visa

- letališki tranzit (airport transit)
- diplomatski vizum (diplomatic visa)
- službeni vizum (service visa)
- humanitarni razlogi (humanitarian reasons)

2. Endorsements upon B visas:

- tranzit (transit)
- diplomatski vizum (diplomatic visa)
- službeni vizum (service visa)
- skupinski vizum (group visa)
- voznik tovornjaka z vozilom (truck driver with vehicle)
- voznik avtobusa z vozilom (bus driver with vehicle)
- humanitarni razlogi (humanitarian reasons)

3. Endorsements upon C visas:

- diplomatski vizum (diplomatic visa)
- službeni vizum (service visa)
- skupinski vizum (group visa)
- zasebni obisk (private visit)
- turizem (tourism)
- poslovno (business)
- šport-nepridobitno (sports non-profitable)
- kultura-nepridobitno (culture non-profitable)
- voznik tovornjaka z vozilom (truck driver with vehicle)
- voznik avtobusa z vozilom (bus driver with vehicle)
- humanitarni razlogi (humanitarian reasons)
- zdravljenje (medical treatment)
- ITF rehabilitacija (rehabilitation of mine victims)

SLOVAKIA

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| 1. | kúpeľná liečba | (spa treatment) |
| 2. | lekárske ošetrovanie | (medical treatment) |
| 3. | obchodná cesta | (business trip) |
| 4. | služobná cesta | (official journey) |
| 5. | školenie | (training) |
| 6. | konferencia | (conference) |
| 7. | seminár | (seminar) |
| 8. | kultúrne podujatie | (cultural event) |
| 9. | športové podujatie | (sport event) |
| 10. | návšteva príbuzných | (visit of relatives) |
| 11. | návšteva známych | (visit of acquaintance) |
| 12. | turistika | (tourism) |
| 13. | zahraničnopolitické dôvody | (international interest) |
| 14. | štúdium | (study) |
| 15. | vedecký pracovník | (scientist/researcher) |
| 16. | rodinný príslušník | (family member) |
| 17. | rodinný príslušník - azylant | (family member – refugee) |
| 18. | humanitárne dôvody | (humanitarian reasons) |
| 19. | člen posádky lietadla | (air crew member) |
| 20. | člen námornej posádky | (sea crew member) |
| 21. | člen riečnej posádky | (river crew member) |
| 22. | člen železničnej posádky | (train crew member) |
| 23. | BUS | |
| 24. | TIR | |
| 25. | ADS | |
| 26. | iné | (other) |
| 27. | nevyžaduje sa poistenie | (no insurance required) |

Additional information:

In the "comments" section of the visa sticker, the number of the proof of invitation is mentioned as well, in the case that such an invitation was required when applying for visa. The specimen of invitation is contained in Annex 15 to the Common Consular Instructions (Annex 33 of Schengen handbook). The proof of invitation is marked "AA" followed by six digits.

FINLAND

1. Diplomatic and service passports will bear the surname and first name and will be marked "diplomaattileimaus" (diplomatic) or "virkaleimaus" (service).

S W E D E N

1. For diplomatic visas the code "U" followed by "Diplomatisk visering, Diplomatic visa" will be used.
2. The representation will enter the surnames, first names and dates of birth of the persons on the holder's passport travelling with him. If there is not enough space the following page of the passport will be used.
3. Signature of the official responsible for issuing the visa. The signature should run over the edge of the sticker onto the page of the passport.
4. Where necessary, the following entries shall be written in the "comments" section:
 - Lastbilschaufför
(lorry driver)
 - Busschaufför (turister)
((bus driver (tourists))
 - Turistguide
(tourist guide)
 - Bärplockare
(berry picker)

NORWAY

A dry stamp with the national emblem and the name of the issuing foreign service mission and the signature of the responsible issuing visa officer is entered into every visa sticker.

In addition, the following remarks may be entered in the visa stickers under the mentioned circumstances:

- "ADS" when the visa is issued under "APPROVED DESTINATION STATUS" for China
- "AV/PÅMØNSTRENDE SJØMANN" ((dis)embarking seaman), used with visas (mainly B-visas with two entries) issued to seamen who are embarking or disembarking a ship
- "DUFNR"+12 digits, is a national ID for foreigners, entered into D-visas for convenient reference
- "FRITATT FOR KRAVET OM REISEFORSIKRING" (exempted from the travel insurance requirement) when the applicant is exempted from this requirement
- "MÅ VISE GYLDIG REISEFORSIKRING" (must show valid travel insurance) when a multiple-entry visa is issued and the applicant must be in possession of a valid travel insurance each time he/she travels
- "GÆLDER FOR FÆRØERNE" (valid for the Faroe Islands) in combination with R DK, when representing Denmark and issuing a visa valid for the Faroe Islands
- "GÆLDER FOR GRØNLAND" (valid for Greenland) in combination with R DK, when representing Denmark and issuing a visa valid for Greenland

- "GÆLDER FOR FÆRØERNE OG GRØNLAND" (valid for the Faroe Islands and Greenland) in combination with R DK, when representing Denmark and issuing a visa valid for both the Faroe Islands and Greenland
- "GARANTI STILLET" (guarantee provided) in combination with R DK, when representing Denmark and a guarantee has been provided by the inviting party
- "IKKE LOV Å ARBEIDE" (not allowed to work) when an applicant has been specifically made aware that he/she is not allowed to work in Norway without a work permit
- "IKKE RETT Å SØKE OT FRA RIKET" (not allowed to apply for residence permit after entry) when an applicant has been specifically made aware he/she is not allowed to apply for a residence permit in Norway after entry
- "SJÅFØR" (driver) when a visa is issued to a driver, for professional purposes only, based on guarantees from his/her employer and the inviting party
- "TRANSIT" when issuing a B-visa
- UNNTATT ETTER UF §106.5 LEDD (exempted from the requirement of valid passport, according to Norwegian Immigration Regulation § 106 fifth paragraph, when the applicant has exceptionally been issued a visa even if the passport is not valid 3 months after the last day of validity of the visa)
- "UTEN BARN" (without child(ren)) when a visa is issued to the parent alone, to prevent the parent from bringing children entered in the passport but not granted a visa

- "LASTBILSCHAUFFÖR" (lorry driver) in combination with R S, when issuing a visa in representation for Sweden
- "BUSSCHAUFFÖR (TURISTER)" (bus driver (tourists)) in combination with R S, when issuing a visa in representation for Sweden
- "TURISTGUIDE" (tourist guide) in combination with R S, when issuing a visa in representation for Sweden
- "BÄRPLOCKARE" (berry picker) in combination with R S, when issuing a visa in representation for Sweden

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The first line will contain one of the following reasons for travel:

- Raisons médicales (Medical reasons)
- Entretiens d'affaires (Business meetings)
- Manifestations culturelles (Cultural events)
- Raisons familiales (Family reasons)
- Visite (Visit)
- Visite officielle (Official visit)
- Raisons professionnelles (Professional reasons)
- Manifestations sportives (Sporting events)
- Transit (Transit)
- Tourisme (Tourism)
- Tourisme ADS (ADS tourism)
- Transit aéroport (Transit airport)
- Formation théorique (Theoretical training)
- Autres motifs (Other reasons).

In addition, the second and third lines may contain other comments such as:

- max. 3 mois sur 6 (max. 3 months out of 6)
- act. lucr. max. 8j par année civile (max. 8 days gainful activity per calendar year)
- vaut comme titre de séjour (valid as a residence permit)
- valable uniquement avec décision de suspension ODM (valid only with an ODM (Swiss Federal Office for Migration) suspension decision.
