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Quick Facts:

- Required for all crew members (except Australian and New Zealand citizens) arriving and departing Australia and are assigned to non-military ships sailing in Australian waters
- Is a multiple-entry visa valid for 3 years and can only be used to work in Australia as part of the operational requirements of a non-military ship
- Allows crew to stay in Australia for as long as they are signed-on a non-military ship
- Only allows you to join your ship in Australia and sail in Australian waters
- you still need a Transit Visa to enter Australia by air; an MCV is a requirement for your Transit Visa application.
- · Cannot be used as a tourist or non-shipboard working visa

When do you need to apply for an MCV?

- For crew joining in Australia: As soon as you receive an assignment
- For crew joining ships that will be sailing in Australian and New Zealand waters: 30 days before joining date

Requirements:

- Passport
- Letter of Employment (LOE) or Seaman's Book (if you have one)

Important Reminder:

If you already have an MCV, click on the link below to check if your old visa is still valid:

https://online.immi.gov.au/evo/mcv?actionType=query

Enter the required information then click Submit.

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Alert:		
Travel restrictions to Australia are currently in place - see the Department's website prior to travel	and for the latest information.	
Important notice		
Strict travel restrictions are in place for certain countries due to COVID-19. You should not apply for	r any visa until checking the latest information.	
If you are an immediate family member of either an Australian citizen or permanent resident, you n	ay be eligible to apply for a Visitor Visa (Subclass 600).	
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If your visa was granted after 1 February 2020 and you are affected by the current travel restrictions, you will not be able to check your visa details and conditions using Visa Entitlement Verification Online (VEVO) until the restrictions are lifted. You should refer to your visa grant letter or check here in ImmiAccount.

Scroll down and click Create ImmiAccount.

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Enter the required information.

- Select Individual when asked What type of services do you need?
- Provide your Name, phone numbers, and email address.

After entering your name and contact information, click Continue.

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Provide the following information:

- Application context: select a crew member on a non-military ship
- Current location: your country
- Arrival date in Australia: click the calendar icon and enter your sign-on date

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Application for a Maritime Crew Visa	
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Application context	
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	a crew member (or under offer of employment as a crew member) on a non-military ship
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Current location	
Select the applicant's current location. If the a	pplicant is currently 'at sea', then select the departing location.
Current location	PHILIPPINES
Arrival date in Australia	
Select the applicant's first intended arrival dat	e in Australia after this application is lodged (if known).
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Enter your Passport details correctly.

- Australia visa grant number: select No
- National identity card: select No

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Enter the following details as they appear in the ap	plicant's personal passport.	
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Sex	C Female Male Other	
Date of birth	20 Juni 1007	
Passport number		
Country of passport	PHILIPPINES - PHL	
Nationality of passport holder	PHILIPPINES - PHL	
Date of issue	20 Oct 2016	
Date of expiry	19 Oct 2021	
Place of issue / issuing authority	DFA NCR CENTRAL	
It is strongly recommended that the passport be va	lid for at least six months.	
Australian visa grant number		
Does this applicant have an Australian visa grant n	Umber from a previous visa application?	
National identity card		
Does this applicant have a national identity card?		

You will be asked to review your passport details. Doublecheck the information, tick **Yes** once done, then click **Next**.

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Enter your Contact details (these include your address, phone numbers, and email address) correctly then click **Next**.

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Contact details			
Country of residence			
Usual country of residence	PHUPPINES		
Department office			
The applicant may be required to attend an Australian Government Of	fice for an interview. Which is the closest office to the applican	's current location?	
Office	Philippines, Manila		
Residential address •			
Note that a street address is required. A post office address cannot be	accepted as a residential address.		
Country	PHUPPINES	•	
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Suburb / Town	STA ROSA		
State or Province	LAGUNA		
Postal code	4025		
Postal address			
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Business phone			
Mobile / Cell phone			
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9 step **In Authorised recipient**, select **No** when asked if you are authorizing another person to receive the application updates. Make sure the correct email address was entered.

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Authorised recipi	ent				
Does the applicant autho	rise another	person to receive written cor	rrespondence on their behalf?		
This authorises the depart	rtment to ser	nd the authorised person all v	written correspondence that wo	ould otherwise be sent direct	ly to the applicant.
This person is referred to	as the 'auth	Ves, a migration a Yes, another personance orised recipient.	e igent on		
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The Department prefers t	o communic	ate electronically as this prov	vides a faster method of comm	unication.	
All correspondence, inclu	ding notifica	tion of the outcome of the ap	plication will be sent to:		
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Highest recognised qualification obtained	Bachelor Degree in Scien	ice, Business or Technology				
Course name	HOTEL AND RESTAURA	NT MANAGEMENT				
Institution name						
Country of institution	PHILIPPINES		•			
Date from	03 Jun 2002					
Date to	31 Mar 2006					
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Enter your **Employment** and **Occupation** information. **Employment**:

- Employer name: Royal Caribbean Group
- Country: UNITED STATES
- Address: 1050 Caribbean Way
- Suburb/Town: Miami
- State or Province: FLORIDA
- Postal code: 33132-2096

Occupation: SEAMAN

Sea crew job title: select your title if available in the options **Other sea crew job title:** enter your shipboard role/job title

Nature or type of business: cruise line

Employment/Contact reference number (if known): enter your Employee ID In Add details > Employment status, click Add.

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Transaction Reference Number (TRN): EGOPRURGTG		8/11		
Employment				
Current employment				
Give details of the vessel operator, shipping company or mann	ing agency with which the applica	nt is employed or under offer o	f employme	ent.
Employer name	RCCL CREW MANAG	GEMENT INC		
Country	PHILIPPINES		v	
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Suburb / Town				1
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Postal code	1300			
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Other sea crew job title	CRUISELINE			
Nature or type of business	CRUISELINE	0		
Employment / Contract reference number (if known)		0		
Employment history				
Give details of the applicant's employment and unemployment	history in the last 2 years.			
Add details				





Enter your **Employment history**.

- Employment history: select Employed
- Employment details:
 - If you are a new hire, enter employment details from your previous work/company.
 - If you are a returning crew member, enter your shipboard employment details:
 - Position: your shipboard role
 - Country: your country
 - Description of duties: enter your shipboard role
 - Date from: enter start date of your employment
 - Date to: enter current date

After entering the required information, click **Confirm**.

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Position	COMMIS-2		
Employer name	RCCL CREW MANAGE	EMENT INC	
Country	PHILIPPINES		
Description of duties	COMMIS-2		
Date from	23 Mar 2017	100	
Date to	05 Mar 2020		
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In Visa history, answer all the questions with No then click Next.

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Transaction Reference Number (TRN): EGOPRURGTG	9/11		
Visa history Has the applicant held or does the applicant currently hold a visa to Australia or any other country? © Yes the No			
Has the applicant ever been in Australia or any other country and not complied with visa conditions or departer	d outside their authorised period of stay?		
Has the applicant ever had a visa for Australia or any other country refused or cancelled?			
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In Declarations, answer all the questions with YES then click Next.

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Declarations		
Warning:		
Giving false or misleading information is a serious offence.		
The applicants declare that they:		
Have read and understood the information provided to them in the	is application. ❀ Yes [©] No	
Have provided complete and correct information in every detail or	n this form, and on any attachments to it.	
Understand that if any fraudulent documents or false or misleadin any member of their family unit, may become unable to be grante	g information has been provided with this application, or if any of the applicants fail to satisfy the Minister of their identity, the application may be refused and the ap of a visa for a specified period of time.	plicant(s), and
Understand that if documents are found to be fraudulent or inform	nation to be incorrect after the grant of a visa, the visa may subsequently be cancelled.	
Understand that if this application is approved, any person not inc	cluded in this application will not have automatic right of entry to Australia.	
Will inform the Department in writing immediately as they become considered.	e aware of a change in circumstances (including change of address) or if there is any change relating to information they have provided in or with this application, with the second secon	hile it is being
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As an applicant:	- 103 - 110	
I understand that if my visa ceases to be in effect and I do not hol to removal under the Migration Act 1958.	d another visa to remain in Australia at that time, I will be an unlawful non-citizen under the Migration Act 1968. As such, I will be expected to depart from Australia,	and be subject
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In Attach Documents, you need to submit your passport and Letter of Employment (LOE) or Seaman's Book.

Travel Document Bio-data

- Document Type: select Passport
- Choose File: upload a copy of the biometrics page of your passport
- Click **Attach** to submit the copy of your passport.

Crew Member Qualification

- **Document Type:** select **Employment Contract** if you are submitting your LOE; select **Other** if you are submitting your Seaman's Book (if you have one)
- Description: enter Letter of Employment or Seaman's Book
- **Choose File:** upload a copy of your LOE or a copy of the biometrics page of your Seaman's Book
- Click **Attach** to submit the copy of your LOE or Seaman's Book.

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No payment is required, just click **Next**.

Payment confirmation	
Your application has been submitted. No payment is required. Your Reference Number is 9017044366. Print Tax Invoice	
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To view your MCV application, click **View application**.

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You can also click on the **My application**s tab on the ImmiAccount homepage.

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Visa Processing and Outcome

 \bullet Estimated visa processing time is 3-7 business days (in special cases, it may take a month or longer) .

- Once approved, your MCV will be sent to the email you registered in your application.
- Please upload a copy of the MCV grant notification page in CTRAC or the Assignment Confirmation Tool (ACT) on your MyRCL account.
- The MCV is digitally linked to your passport you will not get a physical label/stamp on your passport page.

Sample MCV grant notification:

https://rclcrewtravel.com/images/rcm-philippines/visa/ MCVGrantNotification.pdf

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

1. Do I need to pay for the application of Maritime Crew Visa? **No**, MCV application is free of charge.

2. Does applying for Australian MCV require personal appearance? **No**, MCV application is done online.

3. Do I need to have an active assignment to be able to apply for an MCV? **Yes**, because when you apply, you need to enter your date of arrival in Australia.







How to check the status of your MCV

Go to https://online.immi.gov.au/evo/mcv?actionType=query. In Please choose document type, select Passport.

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Enter your passport details then click Submit.

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You will see the status of your MCV.

If already approved, **MCV Held** will marked **YES** and you will see the expiration date of your visa.

MCV details	
Oinformation	
The status of your Maritime Crew visa is displayed below. If you	believe these details are not correct, please contact the Departme
New enquiry	
Current date and time	Tuesday April 28, 2020
Family name	
Given name(s)	
MCV Held	YES
Visa expiry date	25 April 2023
Lawful until date	25 April 2023
MCV Application in progress	NO

If your MCV has not yet been processed you will see MCV Held: NO MCV Application in progress: YES