

## China Tourist Visa (L-Visa) Checklist — For Indian Nationals

1. **Visa Application Form**
  - **Fill out the official Chinese visa application form online.** [OBJ]
  - **Print the confirmation page and sign the form.** [OBJ]
2. **Passport**
  - **Original passport valid for at least 6 months from the date of application.** [OBJ]
  - **At least 2 blank visa pages.** [OBJ]
  - **Photocopy of the passport's data / information page (and any extension pages).** [OBJ]
3. **Photographs**
  - **Two recent, colour passport-style photos.** [OBJ]
  - **Specs: white/light background, full face, bare head.** [OBJ]
  - **Photo size: for L-Visa, the Chinese Embassy checklist says 48 mm × 33 mm.** [OBJ]
4. **Travel Itinerary**
  - **Confirmed round-trip (or onward) flight bookings or reservation.** [OBJ]
  - **Day-by-day detailed travel plan / itinerary.** [OBJ]
5. **Accommodation Proof**
  - **Hotel reservation(s) in China.** [OBJ]
  - **If staying with someone, you may need an invitation letter from them (with their address + contact).** [OBJ]
6. **Cover Letter / Statement**
  - **A personal cover letter explaining purpose of visit, places to be visited, and your financial ability.** [OBJ]
  - **Mention any past travel to China (if applicable) and reason for revisit.** [OBJ]
7. **Proof of Financial Means**
  - **Recent bank statements (for example, last 6 months) to show you can fund your trip.** [OBJ]

- **There is a minimum bank balance requirement: Indian visa-China (L-visa) applicants must show a balance of at least ₹100,000.** [OBJ]
  - **Income proof: Income Tax Return (ITR) / salary slips or business proof (if self-employed).** [OBJ]
  - 8. Proof of Legal Stay / Residence in India**
    - **If you're not an Indian citizen (or for certain visa types), you might need to provide proof of legal stay or visa in India.** [OBJ]
  - 9. Previous Chinese Visas**
    - **If you have had a Chinese visa before, provide a copy of the most recent one.** [OBJ]
  - 10. Biometric / Fingerprints**
    - **As of recent updates, short-term visa applicants (single or double entry, ≤ 180 days) may be exempt from fingerprint collection.** [OBJ]
    - **Check whether your application centre collects biometrics.** [OBJ]
  - 11. Submission Details**
    - **Submit application via the Chinese Visa Application Service Center (CVASC) in India — depends on your region (New Delhi, Mumbai, Kolkata).** [OBJ]
    - **No appointment needed now — you can walk in and submit on working days.** [OBJ]
  - 12. Other Supporting Documents (if applicable)**
    - **If someone is sponsoring you: their bank proof, invitation letter, etc.**
    - **If employed: a leave letter / NOC from employer.**
    - **If revisiting: past China travel history / visa details.**
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 **Tips & Things to Note**

- **Order matters: Arrange documents in the same order as the Chinese embassy / CVASC checklist.** [OBJ]
- **Use A4-sized paper when submitting documents.** [OBJ]
- **Check your visa centre: The jurisdiction (which CVASC or consulate you submit to) depends on your place of residence.** [OBJ]
- **Be honest: Provide accurate travel plans, bank statements, and purpose — discrepancies can lead to rejection.**
- **Processing Time: Visa processing time varies — check with the CVASC you are applying through.**
- **Keep copies: Always carry copies of all submitted documents, plus your passport's data page.**