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Purpose of Application	Time Frame	Remarks
1. Civil servants at senior rank grade 11 or higher whose duties do not involve classified national security matters, or personnel working for the National Security Bureau, the Ministry of National Defense, and the Investigation Bureau of the Ministry of Justice without civil servant status applying to enter the Mainland Area.	7 days	Excluding time required to request supplementary documents and make referrals to relevant authorities for review.
2. Political appointees, mayors of special municipalities, personnel whose duties involve matters related to national security, national interests or state secrets, or personnel involved in national core key technologies (including aforementioned personnel who have retired or been discharged from duties or terminated from commission) and county magistrates/ city mayors applying to enter the Mainland Area.	7 days	Excluding time required to request supplementary documents and make referrals to relevant authorities for review.
3.Resident of Kinmen/Matsu/ Penghu applying for entering the Mainland Area via Kinmen/Matsu.	5 days	

4. A draftee applying for going abroad.	Half day	
5. National without household registration in the Taiwan area applying for entry/exit permits.	5 days	Including Single/Multiple Permits, Entry Permit with the same validity period as the ROC passport, etc., total of 4 kinds.
6. National without household registration in the Taiwan Area applying for a resident certificate.	7 days	1. If there is a quota limit, the waiting time for quota allocations shall be increased (excluding time for conducting interviews or notifying relevant authorities for reviews). 2. Pursuant to Subparagraph 8, Paragraph 1 of Article 9 of the Immigration Act (hereinafter to as "the Act"), the processing time depends on review processes of the Entry/Exit & Immigration Applications Review Committee, Ministry of Interior (excluding the time for conducting reviews by relevant authorities) .
7. National without household registration in the Taiwan Area applying for a Permanent Resident Certificate.	7 days	If there's a quota for permit issuing, additional waitlist time is not included (7 days do not include the time needed for interview and verification with the relevant authorities).
8. Hong Kong/Macao Resident applying for entry/exit permit(s).	5 days	Including single, renewable and multiple entry/exit permits.

9. Online application for Hong Kong/Macao Resident applying for entry/exit permit(s).	Half day	
10. Hong Kong/Macao Resident applying for entry/exit permit extension.	Half day	
11. Hong Kong/Macao Resident applying for a resident certificate.	5 days	Time frame provided does not include the time needed for police records' approval and transferring.
12. Online application for student of Hong Kong/Macao applying for a Resident Certificate(s).	3 days	Time frame provided does not include the time needed for police records' approval and transferring.
13. Online application for student of Hong Kong/Macao applying for a Resident Certificate extension.	2 days	
14. Hong Kong/Macao Resident applying for a Permanent Resident Certificate.	3 days	
15. Hong Kong and Macao Residents applying for replacement of their Resident Certificates with copies of their Resident Certificates.	3 days	

16. People of the Mainland Area applying for entry/exit permit(s) for social exchanges.	5 days	Excluding time for conducting interviews or notifying relevant authorities for reviews.
17. People of the Mainland Area applying for entry/exit permit(s) for medical treatment or accompanying the visiting patient.	3 days	Excluding time for notifying relevant authorities for reviews.
18. Online application for people of the Mainland Area applying for entry/exit permit(s) for physical checkups or aesthetic medicine.	2 days	Excluding time for notifying relevant authorities for reviews.
19. Professional from the Mainland Area applying for entry/exit permit(s) to conduct activities related to his/her field of specialty.	3 days	Excluding time for notifying relevant authorities for reviews.
20. Business people from the Mainland Area applying for entry/exit permit(s) to conduct business activities.	3 days	Excluding time for notifying relevant authorities for reviews.

21. Online application for people of the Mainland Area applying for entry permit(s) for visiting Kinmen/Matsu/Penghu (group tour, Kinmen 2-day group tour).	Half day	Excluding time for notifying relevant authorities for reviews.
22. Online application for people of the Mainland Area applying for entry permit(s) for visiting Kinmen/Matsu/Penghu (self-guided tour).	1 day	Excluding time for notifying relevant authorities for reviews.
23. People of the Mainland Area applying for entry/exit permit(s) for visiting Kinmen/Matsu/Penghu.	5 days	Excluding time for notifying relevant authorities for reviews.
24. People of the Mainland Area applying for entry/exit permit(s) for study.	5 days	Excluding time for notifying relevant authorities for reviews.
25. Online applications for people of the Mainland Area applying for entry/exit permit(s) for study.	2 days	Excluding time for notifying relevant authorities for reviews.
26. People of the Mainland Area applying for entry/exit permit(s) for tourism purposes.	2days	1. There is a daily quota limit, additional waiting time for quota allocation is not included. The processing time starts from the day of quota allocation. 2. Excluding time for notifying relevant authorities for reviews.
27. People of the Mainland Area applying for entry/exit permit(s) for tourism purposes from Hong Kong, Macao,or overseas.	5 days	Excluding time for notifying relevant authorities for reviews.

28. People of the Mainland Area applying for Dependent Resident Certificate(s).	5 days	Excluding time for conducting interviews or notifying relevant authorities for reviews.
29. People of the Mainland Area applying for Long-term Resident Certificate(s).	10 days	1. If there is a quota limit, applicants shall wait for quota allocation in accordance with the provisions of the Amount Table for Quota Allocation Regarding People of the Mainland Area Applying for Dependent Residence, Long-Term Residence and Registered Permanent Residence in the Taiwan Area (hereinafter to as "the Amount Table for Quota Allocation"). 2. Excluding time for conducting interviews or notifying relevant authorities for reviews.
30. People of the Mainland Area applying for a registered Permanent Resident Certificate	5 days	For those who listed under Paragraph 5, Article 17 of "Act Governing Relations between the People of the Taiwan Area and the Mainland Area", processing time for the review committee of Ministry of the Interior is not included (5 days do not include interview and verification with the relevant authorities).
31. People of the Mainland Area applying for replacement of their Dependent Resident Certificates with copies of their Dependent Resident Certificates.	3 days	

32. People of the Mainland Area applying for replacement of their registered Permanent Resident Certificates with copies of their registered Permanent Resident Certificates.	3 days	Excluding time for conducting interviews or notifying relevant authorities for reviews.
33. Certificate of entry and exit dates request.	Half day	1. Total of 7 business days of processing time required for an ROC national requesting record(s) before year of 1983. 2. Total of 10 business days of processing time required for an alien requesting record(s) before year of 1991.
34. National without household registration in the Taiwan area, Hong Kong/Macao Resident, or people of the Mainland Area applying for entry/exit permit renewal (The original permit has not yet been used).	Half day	
35. Foreign nationals, national without household registration in the Taiwan area, and Hong Kong/Macao Resident applying for visit extension.	Half day	
36. People of the Mainland Area applying for permit extension(s) or renewal(s).	Half day	1. Excluding time for People of the Mainland Area applying for extensions with purposes of homecare or special reasons. 2. Excluding time for notifying relevant authorities for reviews.

37. Professional from the Mainland Area applying for permit extension(s) or renewal(s).	2 days	Excluding time for notifying relevant authorities for reviews.
38. Businesspeople from the Mainland Area applying for permit renewal(s).	Half day	Excluding time for notifying relevant authorities for reviews.
39. People of the Mainland Area applying for extension(s) or renewal(s) of residence for reason(s) of family reunion.	Half day	Excluding time for conducting interviews or notifying relevant authorities for reviews.
40. People of the Mainland Area applying for permit extensions for reason of taking care of family.	3 days	Time frame provided does not include home visit and verification.
41. Hong Kong/Macao Resident applying for residence extensions, or people of the Mainland Area applying for dependent residence extensions and long-term residence extensions.	Half day	Excluding time for conducting interviews or notifying relevant authorities for reviews.
42. Foreign nationals applying for residence extension, information change, and certificate renewal.	10 days	Excluding time for conducting interviews or notifying relevant authorities for reviews.
43. Foreign nationals applying for Alien Resident Certificate.	10 days	Excluding time for conducting interviews or notifying relevant authorities for reviews.
44. Online application for foreign nationals applying for Alien Resident Certificates.	5 days	
45. Foreign nationals with a visitor visa or entering the State under the visa waiver program applying for Alien Resident Certificates.	10 days	Excluding time for conducting interviews or notifying relevant authorities for reviews.

46. Foreign nationals applying for an Alien Permanent Resident Certificate.	14 days			1. Pursuant to Paragraph 3 of Article 25 of the Act, the processing time depends on review processes of the Entry/Exit & Immigration Applications Review Committee, Ministry of Interior. 2. Excluding time for conducting interviews or notifying relevant authorities for reviews.
47. Foreign nationals applying for Alien residence record.	2 days			
48. Foreign nationals applying for lost passport report.	Half day			
49. Applying for UI No.	Half day			
50. Applying for fingerprint record.	Half day			
51. Immigration service organizations applying for operation and registration.	6 days			Excluding time for notifying relevant authorities for reviews.
52. Immigration service organization applying for the immigration counseling and brokerage funds.	(1) Signature of evaluation comments by designated immigration groups.	60 days	20 days	
	(2) Reviewing by the relevant authorities.		10 days	

	(3) Reviewing by the immigration review team of the National Immigration Agency.		20 days	
	(4) Permit issuance.		10 days	
53. Applying for renewal/replacement of Immigration Specialist certificate by the staff members of the Immigration Service Organization.	6 days			Excluding time for notifying relevant authorities for reviews.
54. Application of permit for providing transnational marriage matching service.	(1) Review of written documents.	60 days	10 days	If necessary, it may be extended one (1) time for thirty (30) days.
	(2) Verification of financial and accounting information with accredited authorities.		15 days	
	(3) Investigation of crime records of representatives and staff.		15 days	
	(4) Permit issuance.		20 days	

Notes:

1.For documents issued at the NIA local service centers, the day an application is accepted by the local service center is the starting day of the listed time frame.

2.For applications passed to the NIA central office, the day the application is received by the central office of the NIA is the starting day of the listed time frame.

3.A business day is divided into first half day (8am-12 pm) and second half day (12pm – 5pm). An application filed during first half day hours will be time marked as received in the first half day of the filing day. If it takes 1 day to process the application, application accepted in the first half day can be picked up the next first half day. Holidays are not counted as business days.

4.Processing times do not include time for application rejection, waiting for supplementary documents, mailing, and online payment. In cases of application rejection and waiting for supplementary documents for application, the processing time will be recalculated.

5.If any of the circumstances listed below applies, expedited application processing may be requested:

（1）Application processing is not completed within the time frame specified, expedited processing requested by the applicant or his/her agent.

（2）Visiting People of the Taiwan Area whose lives are threatened by serious injury or illness, or who are over 60 years old and hospitalized.

（3）People of the Mainland Area who are seriously injured or deceased during his stay in the Taiwan Area, and his/her relative from the Mainland Area applies for entry to attend to the matter.

（4）Purpose of visit is to attend a funeral.

（5）Leaving the State due to emergency, filed by the applicant, applicant’s spouse, applicant’s direct blood relatives, or applicant’s siblings.

（6）Those who apply to enter the State for medical treatment or accompanying care, which are urgent and have certificates issued by medical institutions.