

B-1 Visa (Business Visitor)

The B-1 visa is a nonimmigrant visa (temporary stay) for business travelers who enter the U.S. for up to 180 days for professional reasons and who do not actually work during their stay.



PURPOSE OF STAY

Limited business activities

- Internal company meetings at the U.S. site
- External business meetings
- Making business or customer contacts
- Contract negotiations (also contract conclusion)
- Establishment of a U.S. branch
- Participation in conventions and exhibitions (as visitor or exhibitor)

PARTICULARITIES

- In case a visa-free entry with ESTA (Visa Waiver Program) is not possible due to nationality, purpose of residence or duration
- Entry by private yacht, private aircraft or military machine
- Subcategories:
 - ▶ Assembly work and training of U.S. staff (B-1 After-Sales)
 - ▶ Project assignment (B-1 in lieu of H-1B)
 - ▶ In-house training (B-1 in lieu of H-3)
- High need for consultation and case-by-case examination necessary

REQUIREMENTS

- Temporary business stay in the U.S. without work
- Proof of intention to return (ties to the homeland)
- Evidence of financial resources
- No payment from the U.S.
- Continued employment in the home country

USEFUL INFORMATION

Validity

- Usually 10 years (for German citizens)
- Maximum stay: 180 days per entry

Application procedure

- Application with U.S. Consulates (DS-160 online application)
- Personal interview at the U.S. Consulate
- Passport is withheld at interview and delivered after about 1 week

We take care of the visa application process for you!

All-round support from our qualified US Visa Service team:

- Individual support of applicants and companies
- Examination of all documents with regard to legal requirements
- Secure processing by your personal visa consultant
- 2-4 weeks from the first consultation to the receipt of the visa
- Reduction of in-house workload

Is this the right visa for you?
We answer your questions!

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