

GENERAL INFORMATION	
Name of formality	Business Visa (NI-B2 ຫລື I-B2)
Type of formality	Other
Date of last modification	01.11.2017
Responsible Authority	Consulate Department
Who should apply for this formality?	Foreign businesspeople and their family members who come to invest or collect business information in Lao PDR.
Qualifications needed by the business to get the formality	1. Enterprises invested by foreign investors must be established in accordance with the laws of the Lao PDR; 2. Foreign investors must be a director or shareholder in the enterprise registration certificate or in accordance with the regulation of the enterprise.

LEGAL FRAMEWORK			
Name	Number	Date	Comment
Law on Entry-Exit and Management of Foreigners in Lao PDR	59/NA	26.12.2014	Chapter 4 Types and the Issuance of Visa (Article 19 to 22)

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS FORMALITIES		
Name	Type	Comment
\${SUPPORT_NAME}	\${SUPPORT_TYPE}	\${SUPPORT_COMMENT}

LIST OF ATTACHED DOCUMENTS FOR FIRST TIME APPLICATION		
Name of document	Type of document	File of document
\${ATTACHMENT_NAME}	\${ATTACHMENT_TYPE}	\${ATTACHMENT_FILE}

LIST OF ATTACHED DOCUMENTS FOR RENEW APPLICATION

Name of document	Type of document	File of document
#{ATTACHMENT_NAME_RENEW}	#{ATTACHMENT_TYPE_RENEW}	#{ATTACHMENT_FILE_RENEW}

MEAN OF PRESENTATION	
Means of presentation	At the Authority Offices
Address of authority	Consulate Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Time it takes to the authorities to process the formality	6 Relevant law does not specify the consideration period for visa issuance, but the authorities state that in the case of having complete documents, the consideration period shall take 3 working days per visa. Moreover, it needs to apply for 2 visas which are 1) a single entry visa in order to apply for a work permit and stay permit; and 2) a multiple entry visa.

RENEWAL INFORMATION	
Does the formality have a validity or an expiration date?	How long will the formality be valid for? (in months)
YES	60
What is the process and conditions to get the formality?	
What is the process and conditions to renew the formality?	In normal cases, visas are issued for a period of 12 months, except for foreign investors who conduct business concessions and are promoted under the Investment Promotion Law, the visa will have a maximum period of 60 months.

ISSUING FEES				
Has application fees?	Service fees businesses need to disburse	Certificate fees businesses need to disburse	Application fees businesses need to disburse	Total fees businesses need to disburse
YES	20000.00	1200000.00	25000.00	1245000.00

Comments	According to the Presidential Ordinance No. 003/PO, there will be a visa on arrival ranging from \$ 20-42 depending on the country of origin (according to Notification No. 256/MOFA.CD1, dated 25 February 2009) - The service fee for issuing a visa on arrival is 5,000 LAK per person, and the service fee for visas issued at embassies and consulates abroad is 20,000 LAK per copy.			
ADDITIONAL ISSUING FEES				
Additional fee names				
NO	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Additional fee comments				

RENEWAL FEES				
Has renewal fees?	Service fees businesses need to disburse	Certificate fees businesses need to disburse	Renewal fees businesses need to disburse	Total renewal fees businesses need to disburse
YES	20000.00	1200000.00	25000.00	1245000.00
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Additional renewal fees names				
NO	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Additional renewal fees comments				