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## CONSULATE GENERAL OF ECUADOR IN LONDON

### GENERAL VISA INFORMATION

#### WHO CAN APPLY?

The Consulate of Ecuador in London grants Visas to:

- Nationals who live permanently in the United Kingdom
- Nationals who reside in nearby countries where there are no Ecuadorian Consulates and nationals for whom the United Kingdom is the first stop in their itinerary to go to Ecuador.

#### General Notes:

- All applicants need to book an appointment calling at the Consulate General of Ecuador in London 020 7451 0040 - Monday to Friday from 15H00 to 17H00.
- Address: 58-59 Trafalgar Square  
Uganda House  
First Floor  
London  
WC2N 5DX - UK (the nearest tube station is Charing Cross).
- Visas are issued at the Consulate and the interested party must be present. No visas will be issued by post.
- The visa application form must be submitted completely filled with the supporting documents.
- Last 3 months Bank Statements showing the applicant's home address.
- All the documents presented at the Consulate must be originals and a set of **photocopies**, *please check that you have all the copies of your supporting documents as you won't be able to make any copy in our premises.*
- At the moment of the application in the Consulate General, the applicants must know the address that they will have in Ecuador upon arrival.
- Fees are to be paid in **cash**.
- We strongly recommend acquiring an Overseas Travel Insurance Policy (with repatriation clause). Your travel insurance should bear the words "CERTIFICATE" and not be a simple quotation.
- The nationals who have been granted a visa to go to Ecuador have to register themselves at the "**Dirección General de Extranjería**" in Quito, (A. Gaspar de Villarroel y Av. 6 de Diciembre, Edificio Karina, Planta Baja, Quito. Telf: 246 0364 or 225 3082), or at the "**Sub-Dirección de Extranjería**" in Guayaquil (Malecón y Aguirre Esquina, Telf: 04 232 2692 or 04 232 5693), **within the first 30 days from their arrival.**



## **STUDENT VISA, CATEGORY 12 - V**

### **Fee: £87**

This visa may be granted for a maximum of 1 year and is granted to students at all levels and their families.

The requirements to obtain this visa are as follows:

- Visa application Form
- A passport valid for at least 6 months and photocopy
- Two recent passport photographs
- Proof of financial solvency, which can be one of the following:
  - Account statements of the last three months, (we do not accept accounts with overdrafts) or:
  - Official Declaration of Support granted by a family member, relatives or close friends living in the United Kingdom or Ecuador. This document needs to be signed before a Public Notary in the United Kingdom or Ecuador. Attach statements of account of the last three months and a photocopy of the passport of the sponsor.
- Admission certificate from the school, educational institution or university
- Legal Invoice showing that the course was paid in full.

## **WORK VISA, CATEGORY 12 - VI**

*At the moment, the Consulate of Ecuador in the United Kingdom does not issue working visas. If you would like to work in Ecuador, you will need to process this visa once you are in the country. In order to be able to change your immigration status in Ecuador, you will need to apply for a visa 12-IX at this Consulate.*



## **VOLUNTARY, MISSIONARY OR RELIGIOUS VISA, CATEGORY 12 - VII**

### **Fee: £120**

This visa may be granted for a maximum of 2 years.

The requirements are as follows:

- Visa application Form
- A passport valid for at least 6 months and photocopy
- Two recent passport photographs
- Proof of financial solvency, which can be one of the following:
  - Account statements of the last three months, (we do not accept accounts with overdrafts) or:
  - Official Declaration of Support granted by a family member, relatives or close friends living in the United Kingdom or Ecuador. This document needs to be signed before a Public Notary in the United Kingdom or Ecuador. Attach statements of account of the last three months and a photocopy of the passport of the sponsor.
- A legalised letter addressed to the Consul of Ecuador in the United Kingdom signed by the legal representative of the organisation established in Ecuador, which should contain:
  - A justification of the host Ecuadorian institution to request the services of a foreigner
  - A description of the activities the applicant is to perform in Ecuador
  - The agreement from the institution to cover the expenses of the return trip of the volunteer to the place of origin in case there is an order of deportation issued by the national authority.
- Notarized copy of the appointment of the legal representative of the entity duly registered.
- A copy of the notarized agreement, decree or official registration (**Registro Oficial**), in which it was published, through which the government of Ecuador authorizes the operation of the organization.
- Notarized copy of the statutes of the organization.
- Letter of compromise by which the applicant offers to do voluntary work.



## CULTURAL EXCHANGE VISA, CATEGORY 12- VIII

### Fee: £53

This visa may be granted for a maximum of 1 year and is granted to foreigners who are being fully supported by an organisation that operates lawfully in Ecuador to execute cultural exchange programs.

This visa is issued to foreign students of FLACSO and cadets who will assist Formation Schools of the Ecuadorian Armed Forces or National Police. International Cultural Exchange Agreements for foreign students and teachers of San Francisco de Quito University, French Alliance, Cotopaxi Academy and American School would be acknowledged.

The requirements are as follows:

- Visa application Form
- A passport valid for at least 6 months and photocopy.
- Two recent passport photographs
- Proof of financial solvency, which can be one of the following:
  - Account statements of the last three months, (we do not accept accounts with overdrafts) or:
  - Official Declaration of Support granted by a family member, relatives or close friends living in the United Kingdom or Ecuador. This document needs to be signed before a Public Notary in the United Kingdom or Ecuador. Attach statements of account of the last three months and a photocopy of the passport of the sponsor.
- A legalised letter addressed to the Consul of Ecuador in the United Kingdom signed by the legal representative of the organisation established in Ecuador, which should contain a:
  - Description of the activities the applicant is to perform in Ecuador
  - The compromise from the institution to cover the expenses of the return trip of the volunteer to the place of origin in case there is an order of deportation issued by the national authority.
- Notarized copy of the appointment of the legal representative of the entity duly.
- Notarized copy of the Official Registry (**Registro Oficial**) stating:
  - That the government of Ecuador recognises the practice of this organisation
  - That this organisation is allowed to bring foreigners into the country.
  - The bylaws of the host Ecuadorian institution
- The Cultural Exchange Agreement between institutions
- Letter of compromise where the applicant offers to do voluntary work



## **TOURISM, ACTS OF COMMERCE, and other activities**

### **VISA CATEGORY 12-IX**

#### **Fee: £153**

This visa may be granted for a maximum of 180 days and applies to tourists, athletes, students, scientists, artists, merchants, business people, and people dealing with health issues. This visa includes relatives in the first or second grade of consanguinity.

The requirements are as follows:

- Visa application Form
- A passport valid for at least 6 months and photocopy
- Two recent passport photographs
- A return ticket
- Proof of financial solvency, which can be one of the following:
  - Account statements of the last three months, (we do not accept accounts with overdrafts) or:
  - Official Declaration of Support granted by a family member, relatives or close friends living in the United Kingdom or Ecuador. This document needs to be signed before a Public Notary in the United Kingdom or Ecuador. Attach statements of account of the last three months and a photocopy of the passport of the sponsor.
- A letter from the employer that should contain the applicants' monthly income



## **SHORT-TERM VISIT OR TRANSIENT VISA, CATEGORY- 12-X**

### **Fee: £40**

This visa may be granted for a maximum of 90 days.

The requirements are as follows:

- Visa application Form
- A passport valid for at least 6 months and photocopy
- Two recent passport photographs
- A return ticket
- Proof of financial solvency, which can be one of the following:
  - Account statements of the last three months, (we do not accept accounts with overdrafts) or:
  - Official Declaration of Support granted by a family member, relatives or close friends living in the United Kingdom or Ecuador. This document needs to be signed before a Public Notary in the United Kingdom or Ecuador. Attach statements of account of the last three months and a photocopy of the passport of the sponsor.
- A letter from the employer that should contain the applicants' monthly income