

The following is the English translation portion of Panama Immigration's information sheet which they have available for people who want to extend their tourist visas. Text in all capital letters is word for word as it appears on the handout. *Italicised portions* are my own comments where I felt the document was less than clear.

MINISTERIO DE GOBIERNO Y JUSTICIA
DIRECCION NACIONAL DE MIGRACION Y NATURALIZACION
TOURIST VISA EXTENSION
(Translation)

REQUIREMENTS:

- TO REQUEST EXTENSION OF TOURIST VISA YOU MUST SUBMIT AND LEAVE YOUR PASSPORT WITH US.
 - THE REQUEST FOR EXTENSION IS SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE DIRECTOR.
 - REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TOURIST VISA DULY COMPLETED.
1. LETTER OF RESPONSIBILITY.
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 - THE GUARANTOR (*who provides the letter of responsibility*) MUST BE PANAMANIAN OR RESIDENT OF PANAMA.
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 - THE LETTER MUST INCLUDE COPY OF IDENTITY OF GUARANTOR.
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 - ATTACH COPY OF LAST ELECTRICITY, WATER, OR TELEPHONE BILL (COPY OF ONE OF THESE) *Note: This refers to a copy of the guarantor's electricity, water, or telephone bill, not the applicant.*
 2. COPY OF RETURN TICKET (VALID FOR ONE YEAR)
 3. DEMONSTRATE PROOF OF APPLICANTS OR GUARANTORS FINANCIAL WELLBEING. *Note: The untranslated Spanish text says "Traveller's checks, etc or for the guarantor (work letter, Social Security Tax Receipt, or Income Tax Return or Bank Letter)*
 4. COPY OF PASSPORT DATA AND LAST ENTRY OR TOURIST CARD.
 5. REGISTRATION IF THE PERSON HAS NOT BEEN PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED, HE/SHE MUST REGISTER WITH TWO PHOTOGRAPHS CARNET SIZE AND B./1.00

(EXTENSION CARD)
(THE VISA CARD WILL HAVE A COST OF B./15.00)

THE TOURIST EXTENSION PROCESS TAKES 4 WORKING DAYS UPON PRESENTATION AT THE WINDOW.

(ARTICULO No 6 DEL DIECREO No 15 DE JUNIO 30, 1960)
THE NATIONAL DIRECTOR OF IMMIGRATION MAY REQUEST ANY ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENT IT MAY DEEM CONVENIENT BESIDES TOSE (*sic*) ESTABLISHED IN THIS NOTE.

PRESENT THESE DOCUMENTS MINIMUM (*sic*) ONE A WEEK OR AT LEASET (*sic*) BEFORE THE EXPIRE OF VISA.