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Abstract

Chapter III – Entry Visas

Art. 10 of this decision lists the various types of entry visas, their validity, and the conditions that need to be met to obtain them.

An employment visa may be granted upon the request of a local sponsor to foreigners who are twenty-one years old or older. The visa shall be used within three months of the date of issue.

A family reunification visa may be requested for the family (spouse and children aged less than twenty-one years) of a foreigner he sponsors. The visa shall be used within three months of its issuance.

Art. 14 sets the requirements that must be fulfilled by persons who want to sponsor foreigners in Oman.

In accordance with Art. 17, a foreigner may not be granted another entry visa for the purpose of work until two years have lapsed from the date of his last departure. The General Inspector may waive this period if it is deemed to be in the public interest including cases where the foreigner wants to work for his previous sponsor. The sponsor shall provide a certificate attesting to the fact that the contract between them has ended amicably.

Chapter V – Foreigners' Residence

Art. 19 lists the different types of residence permits that may be granted to foreigners.

In accordance with Art. 24, a foreigner's residence may be transferred to another only with the approval of the first sponsor.

Chapter VI of this decision deals with fees and fines.