

Important information on the requirement of adequate travel insurance

Dear Traveler,

The new regulations on Visa, the “Visa Codex” was decided by the European Authorities in Brussels last year and came into effect on April 5th, 2010. It has to be applied with any visa application which is submitted to any Embassy/ Consulate/Office of any Schengen country all around the world, already since April 5th, 2010 and requires a proof of adequate travel insurance with any visa application which has to fulfill the following criteria in order to be considered as appropriate:

- cover of the entire period of the intended stay
- validity throughout the territory of the Schengen Member States
- minimum total coverage of 30.000 Euro
- coverage of all medical expenses, illness and accident including repatriation
- coverage of expenditures in case of death and repatriation of remains
- direct settlement of expenses with the provider of medical services, not on basis of reimbursement to the insured person
- refunding in the Schengen area, i.e. insurance company needs to have contact point in the Schengen area, which has to be mentioned in the policy
- Should a maximum amount of coverage be mentioned for single risks, it has to be minimum EUR 30.000,-

Mentioned travel insurance can locally be obtained with the below mentioned insurance companies.

The Austrian Office recommends the following websites, although any other travel insurance from any other country will be accepted which fulfills the above mentioned criteria.

Please observe that some credit card companies offer travel insurance in connection with the use of the card. This kind of travel insurance will also be accepted, if it fulfills the above mentioned requirements.

The required insurance guarantees best medical support for Taiwanese citizens travelling abroad and is a measure to protect tourists against damage.

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Visa Section

Name of Company	Website	Language
Cathay Century Insurance Co Insurance (國泰產險)	www.cathay-ins.com.tw	Chinese
Chartis (美亞產物保險股份有限公司)	www.chartisinsurance.com.tw	Chinese
Fubon Insurance (富邦產物保險股份有限公司)	www.fubon.com/insurance/home/	Chinese
South China (華南保險股份有限公司)	www.south-china.com.tw	Chinese
Taian Insurance (泰安產物保險股份有限公司)	www.taian.com.tw	Chinese
ACE insurance (美商安達產物保險股份有限公司)	www.ace-ina.com.tw	Chinese
MSIG Mingtai Insurance (明台產物保險股份有限公司)	www.msig-mingtai.com.tw	Chinese
The First Insurance (第一產物保險股份有限公司)	www.firstins.com.tw	Chinese
Zurich Insurance (蘇歷世產物保險)	www.zurich.com.tw	Chinese
Union Insurance (旺旺友聯產物保險股份有限公司)	www.unionins.com.tw/	Chinese
Cathay Life Insurance (國泰人壽)	www.cathaylife.com.tw	Chinese
Shinkong Insurance (新光產物保險股份有限公司)	www.skinsurance.com.tw/index.asp	Chinese

Recommended websites:

In Chinese, English, French, Spanish and German and others:

www.mawista.com/viuk/

in English and German:

<http://www.europaeische.at/index.php?id=home&L=2>

in German only:

<http://www.mondial-assistance.at/de/aboutus/homepage.htm>

www.wienerstaedtische.at

www.provisit-visum.de

www.adac.de (incoming – insurance, only possible with bank account in Germany)

www.guenstige-versicherungen-online.de

in English and Czech:

www.pvzp.cz/en (Foreigners' Basic Medical Insurance)

www.victoria.cz/index.php?id=engldoktor00000201