



## The British Chamber of Commerce Myanmar Business Travel Guide

### Visa

Type of Visa	Fees	Duration
BUSINESS VISA	US \$ 50	70 days
ENTRY VISA (TOURIST VISA)	US \$ 40	28 days
TRANSIT VISA	US \$ 20	24 hours

### Passport

You will need a valid passport with extra blank pages for the visa, valid for at least six-months from the expiry date. It is advisable to travel with a few passport photos.

Visas can be applied for online (E-visa) or upon arrival to the country (on-arrival-visa) or Embassy at your country. See the following link for eligible countries:

[www.mip.gov.mm/portfolio/types-of-visa-fees-and-duration](http://www.mip.gov.mm/portfolio/types-of-visa-fees-and-duration)

Nationals from Thailand, Brunei, Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Philippines, and Vietnam receive visa exemption for 14 days while Singapore receive visa exemption for 30 days.

### Business Visa Online (E-visa)

Business Visa Online is now available for over 100 nationalities.

Requirements for business visa online

1. Colour passport size photo
2. Letter of Invitation from a company incorporated in Myanmar
3. Copy of Company Registration (Certificate of Incorporation)

Note: The Online Business E-Visa transaction fee is USD 70 and it is non-refundable.

E-Visa application website: <http://evisa.moip.gov.mm/NewApplication.aspx#>

### Business Visa on Arrival

Requirements for business visa on arrival:

- A valid passport not expiring for at least 6 months from the date of entry
- Two recent colour passport size photos (4cm x 6cm)
- Letter of Invitation from a company incorporated in Myanmar
- Copy of Company Registration (Certificate of Incorporation)
- Visa application form (Please download [here](#))
- Round trip air tickets

- Visa fees USD 50

For more details about Visa-on-Arrival: <http://www.mip.gov.mm/portfolio/the-required-terms-and-conditions-for-visa-on-arrival/>

### **Entry Visa (Tourist Visa)**

Requirements for entry visa (tourist visa):

- A valid passport not expiring for at least 6 months from the date of entry
- Two recent colour passport size photos (4cm x 6cm)
- Departure date from your country
- Dates of entry into and departure from Myanmar
- Confirmation of pre-paid package tour (if applicable)
- Round trip air tickets
- Visa fees USD 40 if applied at the airport immigration and USD 50 if applied online e-visa
- If applied online e-visa, hard copy of confirmation letter of online e-visa

## **Telecommunication**

### **SIM Cards**

Mobile SIM cards are available at the airport for 1500 MMK per card and 3G & 4G mobile networks are available in major cities in Myanmar. Cards work on a top-up basis, with 1000, 3000, 5000 and 10,000 MMK cards available.

### **International Roaming**

International roaming is now possible in Myanmar with an increasing number of western mobile networks. Roaming services are available with some Asian networks, including Thailand (AIS), Singapore (M1 and Singtel), Indonesia (Telkomsel) and Vietnam (Viettel).

### **Internet**

The availability of internet access in Myanmar is becoming more widespread: You can find free WiFi at many hotels, restaurants and bars in major cities like Yangon, Mandalay and Naypyidaw. However, internet speeds can be extremely slow, especially in rural areas.

## **Currency**

The local currency in Myanmar is Myanmar Kyat (MMK). For exchange, bring the recent USD \$100 bill (printed with blue stripe) and ensure they are in pristine condition (no creases, marks or tears) as preferred by Money Exchange counters and banks. Credit cards and ATM machines are available but it is advisable to bring some USD for emergency use.

## Hotels

The Chamber has preferential rates with the following hotels. Please email: [info@britishchambermyanmar.com](mailto:info@britishchambermyanmar.com) for the latest rates and mention the British Chamber of Commerce Myanmar when you make your booking. Please check Agoda and Booking.com for alternative options in Yangon and Naypyitaw.



### **Sule Shangri-La Yangon**

223 Sule Pagoda Road

Yangon Myanmar

T: (951) 242 828 Ext: 6306

[www.shangri-la.com/yangon/suleshangrila](http://www.shangri-la.com/yangon/suleshangrila)



### **Park Royal Hotel, Yangon**

33, Alan Pya Phaya Road, Dagon Township

Yangon Myanmar

T: +95 1 250 388 , F: +95 1 252 478

[www.parkroyalhotels.com/en/hotels-resorts/myanmar/yangon](http://www.parkroyalhotels.com/en/hotels-resorts/myanmar/yangon)



### **Chatrium Hotel Royal Lake Yangon**

#40, Natmauk Road, Tamwe Township

Yangon, Myanmar

T: +95 1 544 500

F: +95 1 544 400

[www.chatrium.com/chatrium\\_hotel\\_yangon](http://www.chatrium.com/chatrium_hotel_yangon)



### **Novotel Hotel Yangon**

459 Pyay Road, Kamayut Township, PO BOX

895, Yangon Myanmar

T: +95 1 2305 858

F: +95 1 2305 879

<http://www.novotel.com/gb/hotel-9045-novotel-yangon-max/index.shtml>



### **Melia Hotel Yangon**

192, Kaba Aye Pagoda Road,

Bahan Township, Yangon, Myanmar

T: +95 1 934 5002

<https://www.melia.com/en/hotels/myanmar/yangon/melia-yangon/index.html>



### **Sedona Hotel Yangon**

No. 1, Kaba Aye Pagoda Road, Yankin Township

Yangon Myanmar

T: +95 1 860 5377

F: +95 1 860 5366

<http://www.sedonahotels.com.sg/yangon/>



### **The Strand Hotel Yangon**

92 Strand Road

Yangon, Myanmar

T: +95 1 243 377

F: +95 1 243 393

<https://www.hotelthestrاند.com/>



### **Belmond Governor's Residence**

35 Taw Win Road, Dagon Township

Yangon Myanmar

T: +95 1 230 2092

<https://www.belmond.com/hotels/asia/myanmar/yangon/belmond-governors-residence/>



**Vintage Luxury Yacht Hotel (Yangon)**  
No. 6, Botahtaung Jetty, Near Botahtaung  
Pagoda, Seikkan Township.  
T: +95 1 901 0532  
<http://www.vintageluxuryhotel.com/>

## PARKROYAL

**Park Royal Hotel (Nay Pyi Taw)**  
Jade Villa No 13/14 Hotel Zone  
Dekhina Thiri Township, Nay Pyi Taw  
Myanmar  
T: +95 67 810 6088  
[www.parkroyalhotels.com/en/hotels-resorts/myanmar/naypyitaw](http://www.parkroyalhotels.com/en/hotels-resorts/myanmar/naypyitaw)



**Kempinski Hotel (Nay Pyi Taw)**  
11-12 Shwe Pyi Taw Win Road,  
Dekkhina Thiri Township, Nay Pyi Taw  
Myanmar  
T: +95678106061  
F: +95678106065  
[www.kempinski.com/en/nay-pyi-taw/kempinski-hotel-nay-pyi-taw](http://www.kempinski.com/en/nay-pyi-taw/kempinski-hotel-nay-pyi-taw)

## HOTEL G

YANGON

**Hotel G Yangon**  
5, Alan Pya Pagoda Street  
Yangon, Myanmar  
T: +95 1 243 639  
<https://www.hotelgyangon.com/>



**Hilton (Nay Pyi Taw)**  
No. JV-001 Taw Win Thiri Road  
Nay Pyi Taw, 15011, Myanmar  
T: +95-67-8105001  
F: +95-67-8105030  
<http://www3.hilton.com/en/hotels/myanmar/hilton-nay-pyi-taw-NYTHZHI/index.html>

## Travel Arrangements

The following companies are the members of British Chamber of Commerce Myanmar and they will be able to assist you with travel arrangements. Please mention the British Chamber of Commerce Myanmar when you make your booking.



**Oway**  
Building (A-3), Min Ye Kyaw Swar Street,  
Min Ye Kyaw Swar Business Building  
Lanmadaw Township, Yangon, Myanmar.  
T: +95 9 450 450 601  
F: +95 1 505 977  
Email: [support@owaytrip.com](mailto:support@owaytrip.com)  
[www.oway.com.mm](http://www.oway.com.mm)



**Asia Precious Junction**  
No. 1, Arthawka Street, Pyidaung Su Yeik Mon  
Housing, Kyi Pwar Yae Quarter,  
Thingangyun Township, Yangon, Myanmar  
T: +95 1 579520  
Email: [info@asiapreciousjunction.com](mailto:info@asiapreciousjunction.com)  
[www.asiapreciousjunction.com](http://www.asiapreciousjunction.com)



### Go Myanmar

No. B (01-12), Lanmadaw Street,  
Latha Township,  
Yangon, Myanmar  
T: +95 9 797 978 883  
Email: [info@go-myanmar.com](mailto:info@go-myanmar.com)  
[www.go-myanmar.com](http://www.go-myanmar.com)



### Exo Travel Myanmar

No.147, Shwe Gone Daing Road,  
West Shwe Gone Daing Ward,  
Bahan Township, Yangon, Myanmar  
T: +95 (0) 1 8604933-36, 558215, 8603271  
F: +95 (0) 1 8604932  
Email: [myanmar@exotravel.com](mailto:myanmar@exotravel.com)  
[www.exotravel.com](http://www.exotravel.com)

## Car Rental

The following companies are the members of British Chamber of Commerce Myanmar and they will be able to assist on car rental and transport arrangement. Please mention the British Chamber of Commerce Myanmar when you make your booking.



### Yoma Fleet Ltd.,

B-1, 1st Floor, Yoma Bank Building,  
FMI City, Hlaing Tharyar Township,  
11401, Yangon, Myanmar  
T/F +95 9 79700 5366  
T/F +95 9 79700 5370  
Email: [aung@yomafleet.com](mailto:aung@yomafleet.com)  
[www.yomafleet.com](http://www.yomafleet.com)



### Exera Ltd.,

14 San Yeik Nyein 5th Street  
Kamaryut, Yangon  
Myanmar  
T: +95 (0)1 514-001  
Email: [enquiry@exera.asia](mailto:enquiry@exera.asia)  
[www.exera.asia](http://www.exera.asia)



### Grab Myanmar

Level 8A, Union Financial Centre (UFC),  
Corner of Mahabandoola Road and Thein  
Phyu Road, Botahtaung Township  
Yangon, Myanmar  
[www.grab.com/mm](http://www.grab.com/mm)

## Serviced Office Space

The following companies are members of British Chamber of Commerce and they offer short term and long term hot desk and office rental. Please mention the British Chamber of Commerce Myanmar when you make your booking to receive preferential rates.

**Hintha Business Centres @ Merchant Street**

Third Floor, 608 Merchant Road  
 (Corner of Merchant & 31st Street)  
 Pabedan Township, Yangon, Myanmar  
 T: +95 (0) 1 441 3410

E: [608merchant@hinthabusinesscentres.com](mailto:608merchant@hinthabusinesscentres.com)  
[www.hinthabusinesscentres.com](http://www.hinthabusinesscentres.com)

**Hintha Business Centres @ Sule Square**

#10-01 Sule Square, 221 Sule Pagoda  
 Road  
 Kyauktada Township, Yangon, Myanmar  
 T: +95 (0) 1 925 5124

E: [enquiry@hinthabusinesscentres.com](mailto:enquiry@hinthabusinesscentres.com)  
[www.hinthabusinesscentres.com](http://www.hinthabusinesscentres.com)

## Emergency Contacts

Police Emergency: 199

Police (Yangon): +95 (0) 1 545455

Yangon General Hospital (YGH): +95 (0) 1 256112

Ambulance (Red Cross): +95 (0) 1 5295133

Tourist Information: +95 (0) 1 371910, +95 (0) 1 374281

Airport (Yangon): +95 (0) 1 662811

Immigration: +95 (0) 1 249216

Customs: +95 (0) 1 253046

YCDC (Help Line): +95 (0) 1 283155, +95 (0) 1 282019, +95 (0) 1 283954

## Public Holidays in Myanmar (2018)

Below are the public holidays in Myanmar, please bear in mind for business travel and be aware that many businesses (including restaurants) are closed over the Thingyan Holidays in April.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Public Holiday</b>
January 01	International New Year
January 04	Independence Day
February 12	Union Day
March 01	Full Moon Day of Tabaung
March 02	Peasants' Day
March 27	Armed Forces Day
April 13-17	Thingyan Holidays
April 29	Full Moon Day of Kasong
May 01	May Day
July 19	Martyr's Day
July 27	Full Moon Day of Waso (Beginning of Buddhist Lent)
October 23-25	Full Moon Day of Thadingyut (End of Buddhist Lent)
November 21-22	Full Moon of Tazaungmone
December 02	National Day
December 25	Christmas Day
December 31	International New Year Eve Day

## Doing Business in Myanmar

You can find UK Department for International Trade's General Doing Business Guide [here](#) for an insight into some of the challenges of doing business in Myanmar, and the British Chamber of Commerce [website](#) where you can connect with UK business community in Myanmar and business services.

### **Business Behaviour**

The official language is Burmese (Myanmar). The use of English is widespread among larger companies, but proficiency is limited smaller companies. It's worth considering hiring an interpreter for meetings.

You should adapt to codes of conduct including:

- Always refer to people by their full honorific title and full name ('U' is the equivalent of 'Mr' and 'Daw' can be interpreted as 'Mrs', 'Ms' or 'Madam').
- Dress conservatively for meetings.
- Shake hands if they are offered.
- Exchange business cards at the start of a meeting, take time to look at them properly and keep them on the table during meetings.
- Take your lead from the host as to whether you remove your shoes on entering a Myanmar office.
- Do not point at anyone, or anything with your feet.
- Make 'small talk' which may take the form of personal questions in business meetings
- Do not interrupt, or raise your voice in meetings, as people will find this offensive and rude.
- Please do not hesitate to invite your contacts to any subsequent events in Burma.
- Make regular visits to build business relationships, as communication via email does not work well in this market.
- See the Ministry of Tourism Guide for further advice: [www.dosanddonsfortourists.com](http://www.dosanddonsfortourists.com)

If you have any questions or require more detailed guidance, please contact to Chloe Taylor (Chief Executive) : [chloe@britchammyanmar.com](mailto:chloe@britchammyanmar.com) for support.