Mexico’s Schedule of Commitments for Temporary Entry for Business Persons

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A. Business Visitors

**Definition:**

Applicable to the foreign nationals seeking to enter into the country on a temporary basis, and intending to:

a) establish, develop or manage a foreign capital investment;

b) provide specialized services, including after-sale or after-lease services, previously agreed or as referred to in a contract of transfer of technology, patent and trademark, for the sale of machinery and equipment, technical training of personnel or any other production process from an established company in Mexico; or

c) attend business administration meetings, conferences, trade fairs and performing management or executive duties in a company or its subsidiaries or affiliates that are established in Mexico.
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Business Visitors in Mexico

- The source of income for the proposed business activity is outside Mexico and the business person’s principal place of business and the actual place of accrual of profits, at least predominantly, remain outside Mexico.
- For the purposes of temporary entry, Mexico grant a stay up to 180 days.

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B. Intra-Corporate Transferees

Definition:

For purposes of this category:

(a) Executive means a business person within an organization who primarily directs the management of the organization and exercises wide latitude in decision-making;

(b) Manager means a business person within an organization who primarily directs the organization or a department or sub-division of the organization, supervises, and controls the work of other supervisory, professional or managerial employees;

(c) Specialist means a business person who possesses specialized knowledge of the company’s products or services and its application in international markets, or an advanced level of expertise or knowledge of the company’s processes and procedures.
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Intra-Corporate Transferees in Mexico

- Mexico grant temporary entry and provide a work permit or work authorisation to spouses.
- For the purposes of temporary entry, Mexico shall grant a stay of one year, which may be extended three times for each and equal period of time.

C. Investors

Definition:
For purposes of this category:

It is applicable to the foreign nationals seeking to enter into the country on a temporary basis or that are already in the country and intending to:

a) know different investment alternatives;

b) perform a direct investment or supervise such investment;

c) represent a foreign company or perform business transactions; or

d) develop, administer or provide advice or key technical services to the operation of an investment to which the business person or the business person's enterprise has committed, or is in the process of committing, a substantial amount of capital, in a capacity that is supervisory, executive or involves essential skills.
Investors in Mexico

- Mexico grant temporary entry and provide a work permit or work authorisation to spouses.
- For the purposes of temporary entry, Mexico shall grant a stay of one year, which may be extended three times for each and equal period of time.

D. Professionals and Technician-Professionals

Definition:
1. For purposes of this category:

(a) **Professional** means a business person who is engaged in a specialty occupation requiring:
   - theoretical and practical application of a body of specialized knowledge, and
   - attainment of a post-secondary degree for entry into the occupation;

(b) **Technician Professional** means a professional who has:
   - theoretical and practical application of a body of specialized knowledge, and
   - attained a post-secondary technical degree, for entry into the occupation.
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E. Contractual Service Supplier

Definition:
1. For purposes of this category:

a) Contractual Service Supplier means a business person who is engaged in a specialty occupation requiring:
   - theoretical and practical application of a body of specialized knowledge, and
   - attainment of a post-secondary degree for entry into the occupation.

b) Technician Professional means a professional who has:
   - theoretical and practical application of a body of specialized knowledge, and
   - attained a post-secondary technical degree, for entry into the occupation.

Professionals, Technician-Professionals and Contractual Service Supplier in Mexico

- For the purposes of the temporary entry, Mexico grant a stay of one year, which may be extended three times for each and equal period of time.

- Mexico grant temporary entry and provide confirming documentation to a business person seeking to engage in a business activity at a professional level or technician-professional, based on a work contract and submission of the following:
  
a) documentation demonstrating that the business person shall be so engaged and describing the purpose of entry; and

b) documentation demonstrating that the business person has the minimal academic requirements or alternative academic degrees.

- For greater certainty, the temporary entry of a professional or technician-professional shall not imply the recognition of academic degrees or certificates, or the granting of licenses for professional practice.

- This category is subject to a remunerated employment offer in Mexico.
The following occupations or activities will be granted temporary entry for technician-professional and Contractual Service Supplier:

- Designing, advertising and communication;
- Architecture and interior designs;
- Accounting and management;
- Tourism and gastronomy;
- Systems and computing;
- Engineering;
- Health (includes technical nursing, pharmacy and physiotherapy);
- Construction;
- Electricity;
- Industrial production;
- Maintenance and repair of machinery and equipment (includes maintenance and repair of all types of vehicles, vessels, and aircraft), provided that technician-professional is not part of the staff that manned any vessel or aircraft covered with the flag or Mexican merchant logo.