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Foreign Domestic Helper

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Who this is for

Female foreign domestic helpers from approved source countries employed by eligible Malaysian households under Visitor’s Pass (Temporary Employment).

At a glance

This pass allows foreign female domestic helpers aged 21 to 45 from designated source countries to work for qualified employers in Malaysia. Approved helpers are granted a Temporary Employment Visit Pass (PLKS) valid for 12 months, with an initial 30-day Special Pass issued upon arrival. Helpers are strictly permitted to reside and work only for the approved employer specified on their pass.
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Why people choose it

Employer-sponsored domestic work. Licensing and nationality rules apply.

Eligibility

What you need to show: The helper is female, aged 21 to 45, medically fit, from Indonesia, Thailand, Cambodia, the Philippines, Sri Lanka, India, Vietnam, Laos or Nepal, and enters on a Visa With Reference.
Minimum age: Helper age 21–45 (IMI FDH / PL(KS) page).
Nationality: Approved source countries only: Indonesia, Thailand, Cambodia, Philippines, Sri Lanka, India, Vietnam, Laos.
Work: Household domestic work for the approved employer only under PL(KS)/FDH rules.
Sponsor: Employer or Immigration-registered agency at State Immigration matching employer address.
Other conditions: Entry via VDR FOMEMA medicals for extensions as required licensing and nationality rules apply.
Minimum age: 21
Passport validity: 12 months
Medical exam: Required
Renewable: Yes
Work: Allowed to work only for the specified employer and residence stated in the pass

Income & Capital requirements

Employers must meet minimum monthly income thresholds depending on the helper's country of origin:
RM 7,000 for Indonesia
RM 5,000 for the Philippines, Sri Lanka, India, and Nepal
and RM 3,000 for Thailand, Cambodia, Laos, and Vietnam.
For hiring a second helper, net monthly income must exceed RM 10,000, and for a third or subsequent helper, it must exceed RM 15,000.
Indonesian domestic helpers require a minimum monthly salary of RM 1,500.

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The employer must have children under 15 or sick parents and meet the minimum household income for the helper's country.

Documents

Approved nationality
Age 21–45 female
Eligible employer
VDR then PL(KS) endorsement

Your quote

Fees are confirmed in your personal quote.