

IMMIGRATION ACT
(CHAPTER 133, SECTION 9)

IMMIGRATION (PROHIBITION OF ENTRY) ORDER

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[1st July 1973]

Citation

1. This Order may be cited as the Immigration (Prohibition of Entry) Order.

Persons prohibited from entry

2. The entry into Singapore is prohibited of all persons other than —

- (a) any person having a right of entry under section 7 of the Act;
- (b) a permanent resident of Singapore;
- (c) any person seeking to enter Singapore under and in accordance with any pass lawfully issued to that person;
- (d) any person who is exempted from section 6(1) of the Act by an order made under section 56 of the Act thereof;
- (e) any person who is in possession of a certificate issued by the Minister certifying that his admission would be in the economic interest of Singapore and the wife and any child below the age of 6 years of that person; and

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(f) any person who is within any of the categories of persons set out in the Schedule and should, in the opinion of the Controller, be permitted to enter and remain in Singapore.

Discretion of Minister

3. The issue or refusal of any certificate of the Minister referred to in paragraph 2(e) shall be in the discretion of the Minister.

Burden of proof

4. The burden of proof that any person is not a person prohibited from entering Singapore by this Order shall lie upon that person.

Entry on special grounds

5. Nothing in this Order shall be construed to prohibit the entry of any person who in the opinion of the Minister should be permitted to enter Singapore on special compassionate grounds.

THE SCHEDULE

Paragraph 2(f)

1. Any person who has professional or specialist qualifications, or specialised or technical skills, which would enable him to follow his profession, occupation or skill in Singapore without prejudicing the interests of citizens of, and other persons resident in, Singapore with corresponding or similar qualifications.

2. The wife and any child below the age of 6 years of any person permitted to enter Singapore under paragraph 1.

3. The wife of any citizen of Singapore who has not at any time after her marriage been living separately from her husband for a continuous period of 5 years.

4. Any child below the age of 6 years of a citizen of Singapore.

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LEGISLATIVE HISTORY
IMMIGRATION (PROHIBITION OF ENTRY) ORDER
(CHAPTER 133, O 2)

This Legislative History is provided for the convenience of users of the Immigration (Prohibition of Entry) Order. It is not part of this Order.

1. G. N. No. S 116/1953 — The Immigration (Prohibition of Entry) Order, 1953

Date of commencement : 16 April 1953

2. G. N. No. S 193/1959 — The Immigration (Prohibition of Entry) Order, 1959

Date of commencement : 1 May 1959

3. L. N. No. 227/1963 — Immigration (Prohibition of Entry) Order, 1963

Date of commencement : 16 September 1963

4. G. N. No. S 148/1966 — The Immigration (Prohibition of Entry) Order, 1966

Date of commencement : 1 August 1966

5. G. N. No. S 251/1972 — The Immigration (Prohibition of Entry) Order, 1972

Date of commencement : 18 August 1972

6. G. N. No. S 211/1973 — Immigration (Prohibition of Entry) Order, 1973

Date of commencement : 1 July 1973

7. 1990 Revised Edition — Immigration (Prohibition of Entry) Order

Date of operation : 25 March 1992

8. 1998 Revised Edition — Immigration (Prohibition of Entry) Order

Date of operation : 15 June 1998

9. 2009 Revised Edition — Immigration (Prohibition of Entry) Order

Date of operation : 1 June 2009

10. G.N. No. S 744/2025 — Immigration (Prohibition of Entry) (Amendment) Order 2025

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