

Chinese Familial (S1) visa guide

Candidates' family members such as: spouses, children etc must apply for an 'S1' visa alongside the candidates 'Z' visa in order to relocate alongside the candidate.

The documents needed to support an 'S1' visa application are:

- Original and a copy of relationship certificates (e.g. marriage certificate)
- Valid passport with at least 2 blank pages and a photocopy of the passport's data page
- Completed visa application form
- 2 passport photographs (adhering to British passport photo standards)
- Photocopies of any previous Chinese visas and passports
- Copy of the candidates passport and working permit/invitation letter
- Copy of candidate's 'Z' visa application
- An invitation letter from the candidates school detailing length of stay, company details, candidates details etc.
- Health check certificates (for applicants over between 18 and 70 years old)

For applicants under 18 years old:

- Applications must be signed by both parents or their guardians
- Original birth certificate and a copy must be provided
- Must provide passports of both parents

If the candidate is already in China, a copy of their local registration form will also be required.

The cost of each 'S1' visa application is £217 (not including legalization costs)

The process for applying for an 'S1' visa is similar to a 'Z' visa application – I.e booking an appointment with Chinese Visa Services, legalizing and sending documents etc.

You can find more information about the process at: www.raising-recruitment.com/legalization-guide and www.raising-recruitment.com/visa-guide

Please note: this is a guide only – familial visa processes and requirements may differ in each province and are subject to change.