

# Visa Application Guidance for International Participants



If you are travelling from overseas to attend the **UK Dental Insight Tour** and the **Advanced Digital Dentistry & Innovation Conference & Exhibition** in London, you will most likely need a **Standard Visitor Visa**.

This guidance is provided **for advice only**. We **highly recommend** that all applicants seek advice from their **local professional visa agencies** and/or the official **British Visa Section** in their country. Please note that **Professional Health Hub Ltd (UKDentalCourses™)** is not responsible for individuals obtaining visas.

## Recommended Timeline

- Apply minimum **8–10 weeks** before travel.
- Decisions are typically made within **3 weeks after biometrics**, but timings vary by country/season.
- **Avoid non-refundable bookings** until your visa is granted (see “Flights” note below).

## What Causes Refusals Most Often (Read This First)

If your documents are **appropriate, accurate, and consistent**, there should be **no reason for refusal**. In most cases, refusals relate to **bank statements**:

- If applying as an **individual**, submit **personal bank statements** (last 3–6 months).
- If using a **joint account**, this must be **clearly mentioned** in your application and cover letter.
- If using a **sponsor**, provide their statements, a signed support letter, and proof of relationship.
- It does not matter how large your income is; what matters is that **income, expenses, and the claimed trip funding all align**. The officer must see you can credibly afford the visit.

Other important supporting factors:

- **Travel insurance**: Strongly recommended, as it demonstrates readiness and ability to cover emergencies.
- **Return flight bookings**: While not mandatory, return flights often strengthen applications by showing intent to return.

## Required Documents

1. **Valid Passport** (whole stay, ideally 6 months beyond return).

2. **Invitation Letter from UKDentalCourses™** (issued after registration/payment).
3. **Proof of Finances** (see above).
4. **Proof of Accommodation** (hotel booking or confirmation, will be provided in UKDC Invitation letter).
5. **Proof of Employment/Studies** (official letter with leave approved + ID if possible).
6. **Travel Itinerary** (conference/tour details).
7. **Travel Insurance** (strongly recommended).

### Important Notices

- **Visa Refusals:**  
If refused, email your official refusal letter to [enquiry@ukdentalcourses.com](mailto:enquiry@ukdentalcourses.com) for refund consideration (where your ticket type allows).
- **Accuracy of Information:**  
All documents and registration details must **match exactly**. Discrepancies cause rejections.
- **Country-Specific Rules:**  
Visa rules differ — check with your **local British Visa Section** or a **trusted professional agency** before applying.
- **Responsibility:**  
UKDentalCourses™ provides invitation support but is **not responsible** for visa outcomes. The applicant alone is responsible for preparing and submitting a credible application.