

Dear Recipient,

Baku City Circuit (BCC) is happy to announce the opening of its Media Services offering which covers visa, Accommodation, Transport, and Customs support for F1 permanent and race-to-race media as well as all teams and stakeholders.

### **E-VISA OPTIONS**

BCC is this year providing **TWO** 'fast-track' e-visa options that will allow media, teams and stakeholders to skip the visa desk queues and go straight to passport control upon arrival in Baku. The first option is preferable for individual applications, while the second one is suggested for group applications.

**Below please find details of the two available visa processes for F1 permanent and international race-to-race media as well as F1 teams and stakeholders wishing to attend this year's 2017 FORMULA 1 AZERBAIJAN GRAND PRIX.**

1. **Electronic ASAN Visa Application Process** (available to all citizens of the 81 countries indicated via <https://evisa.gov.az/en/> website. The list of all eligible countries can also to be found on the attached list that accompanies this communication).

**Visa Fee: US \$23**

Once the simple online application has been completed in full and the once-off payment of US \$23 has been processed, it will take up to 3-5 working days for the ASAN system to issue your visa.

2. **BCC e-visa Application Process** (available to all citizens of the 81 eligible countries outlined in the attached list that accompanies this communication).

**We recommend using this option for any group bookings to avoid having to process multiple applications.**

**Visa Fee: US \$30**

To get this special e-visa in advance of your departure – **at a one-off fee of US \$30** - all you need to do is provide the following information to [mediaservices@bakuqp.az](mailto:mediaservices@bakuqp.az):

1. E-Visa Application form filled out in full - **please find attached**
2. Flight ticket & Hotel booking confirmation
3. Scanned passport copy (both sides)\*
4. Digital 3x4cm Passport sized color photo

***\*Passport must be valid for 6 months from the date of arrival***

**All Payments will be processed online.**

Once the aforementioned documents have been fully completed and submitted and the once-off payment of US \$30 has been processed, it will take up to 10 days for BCC to issue your visa.

### **Visa-Upon-Arrival Option**

The Visa-Upon-arrival is once again available to all international media, teams and stakeholders between the dates of May 15<sup>th</sup> and July 15<sup>th</sup> 2017.

To get a Visa-Upon-Arrival you should present one of the following documents for Formula 1 at the VISA desk at Baku International Airport:

1. Proof of permanent accreditation of a person in accordance with the applicable rules of the Formula One Management Limited and the International Automobile Federation, the international organizers of the 2017 Formula 1 Azerbaijan Grand Prix;
2. Proof of accreditation with Baku City Circuit Operations Company

**The fee** for a Visa-Upon-Arrival varies according to the country of citizenship:

- Schengen: €35
- Turkey: US \$10
- All other countries US \$20.

**ALL VISA-UPON-ARRIVAL PAYMENTS MUST BE MADE IN CASH. PLEASE ENSURE YOU HAVE THE CORRECT AMOUNT AND CURRENCY AVAILABLE UPON ARRIVAL.**

### **Media Equipment/Customs Control:**

For all media, in particular photographers and broadcasters, wishing to bring their own electronic/filming equipment into Azerbaijan, pre-approved permission for each individual item will be required to get them through customs upon arrival.

As such, BCC asks all media to send the special filled-in list of equipment (inclusive of serial numbers) in an excel sheet for approval to [mediaservices@bakugp.az](mailto:mediaservices@bakugp.az) no later than **May 30<sup>th</sup> 2017**.

### **Media Hotels:**

Baku City Circuit is offering special rates on 3 hotel options for F1 media during the Grand Prix. Please, note these rooms are being offered on a first come, first served basis. To enquire about availability and book a room at either of these hotels, please email [mediaservices@bakugp.az](mailto:mediaservices@bakugp.az). Furthermore, BCC also asks that media include flight details in all hotel bookings so that shuttle transfers can be arranged according to arrivals.

**Please always be sure on your email headings to clearly state the purpose of your communication (Customs, Accommodation, VISA, Transport, Other)**

**Contact**

For any other enquiries regarding your trip to Baku please contact BCC at the [mediaservices@bakugp.az](mailto:mediaservices@bakugp.az) any time.