



澳門特別行政區政府
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“Travel Stimulation Program”

Program Outline

Introduction

After a period of rapid economic diversification, Macao has become one of Asia's most popular business destinations, with Asia's premier convention and exhibition center and a wide range of luxury hotels and resorts, attracting many business and incentive travelers.

In line with the Macao SAR Government's efforts to promote the synergistic development of the tourism industry and emerging industries, and in line with the elements of "tourism +", MGTO has launched the "Travel Stimulation Program" to provide corresponding support programs for eligible applicants, thereby enhancing the attractiveness of visitors to organize activities in Macao, and encouraging different types of visitors, organizations and enterprises to choose to organize activities in Macao for the purpose of **Incentive travel, Wedding travel, Educational travel** and **Sports travel** by enjoying various benefits, explore the connotation of Macao and add colors to their events

Depending on the number of participants, the "Travel Stimulation Program" will provide eligible applicants with support items to encourage visitors to experience and explore Macao, with a view to promoting the economic development of the community, including Macao travel information, experience Macao half-day tour, Macao tourism product admission tickets, cultural experience or gastronomic experience, etc.

Targets And Scope of Application

Organizers, travel agents, brides / grooms, academic institutions, or commissioned applicants / organizations organizing Incentive Travel / Wedding Travel / Educational Travel / Sports Travel activities in Macao (hereinafter collectively referred to as "Applicants").

Incentive Travel: Companies / organizations/ groups coming to Macao for the purpose of organizing incentives, MICE activities including incentives or team building, industry networking, corporate visits/inspection, anniversary celebrations/banquets, business trips, and corporate training (excluding pre-event venue inspection).

Wedding Travel: Groom / bride or companies / organizations coming to Macao for the purpose of organizing wedding activities including wedding ceremony, wedding banquet, wedding photo shooting, honeymoon trip.



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Educational Travel: Companies / institutions / groups coming to Macao for the purpose of organizing study tours, teaching or academic activities, educational excursion, visits to scientific research institutions, language training and examinations, and academic related activities, etc.

Sports Travel: Companies / organizations / groups coming to Macao for the purpose of organizing sporting events; or participating in sports competitions as participants or spectators.

Eligibility (all the below requirements must be fulfilled)

1. Conduct Incentive Travel / Wedding Travel / Educational Travel / Sports Travel activities in Macao;
2. A minimum of **25 non-Macao participants**;
3. A minimum of **2 consecutive nights of stay** in Macao.

Application Process and Required Documents

Applicants are required to submit the required documents and event information to Macao Government Tourism Office **at least 15 working days** before the first day of the event, including:

1. A completed application form;
2. Signed contract and receipt of deposit issued by service provider of the travel group (such as proof of hotel deposit and activities included in the "Incentive travel / Wedding travel / Education travel / Sports travel", as well as a copy of the Macao Business Tax – Tax Demand Note (M/8) of the service provider and a full name list of non-Macao participants must be provided;
3. For the "**Incentive Travel**" activities, a company's profile and legal registration document (such as Business License or Government certification) of the Organizer and the Applicant;
4. For "**Wedding Travel**" activities, the bride and groom are required to submit the copy of legal marriage registration certificate;
5. For "**Educational Travel**" activities, a copy of a valid ID (student ID or teacher ID) is required to prove the school you are affiliated with;



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6. For "**Sports Travel**" activities, the company / organization / group whose purpose is to organize/participate in competitions or watch sports events in Macao is required to submit a brief profile of its company / organization / group and a legally binding registration document of the company / organization / organization (business license or certificate issued by the government); If you are participating in a sports event as a participant, you need to submit a proof of participation in your event, and if you are a spectator of a sports event, you need to submit a ticket (copy) of your event.
7. If the applicant is **an appointed organization**, a letter of appointment issued by the organizer to prove the identity and role of the applicant in the activity should be provided, and the letter should indicate that the applicant is the sole entity of the application and authorize it to handle the relevant arrangements and receive relevant support (if applicable) for the event in Macao.
8. Upon receipt of the application and all relevant documents and information, MGTO will assess the potential, its benefits, and importance of the event. If all documents and information comply with the terms and conditions of the Program and Macao Government Tourism Office's assessment of the application is deemed practicable, relevant documents will be drafted based on the information submitted by the applicant for the relevant administrative procedures. Upon approval, the applicant will be notified in writing of the details of the support.

Post Event Report

Within **7 working days** after the completion of the activity, applicants are required to submit an activity report to Macao Government Tourism Office, which should include the information mentioned in the activity report template, the confirmed check-in list issued by the hotel and the event photos.

Obligations

1. Please ensure the consistency of the event details (including the event name, event date, name of organizer and applicant) in all required documents.
2. "Travel Stimulation Program" is only applicable to "Incentive travel / Wedding travel / Educational travel / Sports travel" activities with the proof of booking confirmation, such as signed agreement or contract and receipt of deposit issued by respective party; or proof of participation in a sports event as a contestant and hotel booking confirmation; or proof of ticket purchases of a sports event, hotel booking confirmation and full name list of the group as audience, to be submitted to Macao Government Tourism Office by the applicant.
3. Support will only be extended to activities that employ services provided by local venues or entities that are legally registered in Macao.



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4. Applicants have the obligation and responsibility to coordinate and arrange for the beneficiaries to attend and participate in the activities offered by Macao Government Tourism Office. If the number of participants is less than the number of applicants on the application form, the applicant shall notify Macao Government Tourism Office in writing **5 working days** in advance for the relevant explanation, and Macao Government Tourism Office reserves the right of final interpretation and decision on the implementation of the “Travel Stimulation Program”.
5. The applicant is obliged to provide Macao Government Tourism Office with relevant information of the event as well as to assist Macao Government Tourism Office staff to conduct site inspection during the activity for assessment.
6. All photos, texts, drawings and data submitted by the applicant is deemed to authorize the Macao Government Tourism Office for publication on website, for promotion, advertisement, display, publication, annual report, statistics or research purposes.

Precautions

1. Applicants are deemed to be aware of and agree to abide by the contents, terms and conditions of the “Travel Stimulation Program” and guarantee that all information provided is true and correct, and agree to notify the Macao Government Tourism Office of any changes in the application information;
2. The eligibility criteria, as well as terms and conditions of “Travel Stimulation Program” are subject to change without prior notice. Macao Government Tourism Office disclaims any liability of disputes related to any products and/or services provided by third parties.
3. The approval of the above support must comply with the terms and conditions stipulated by Macao Government Tourism Office. Macao Government Tourism Office reserves the right on final decision and interpretation in the execution of “Travel Stimulation Program”.
4. MGTO processes the personal data collected in accordance with the relevant provisions of Law No. 8/2005 "Personal Data Protection Law". The personal data provided by the applicant for the purpose of applying for the program will only be used for processing the work directly related to the application for the program;
5. Any application that is not submitted in accordance with the requirements of the “Travel Stimulation Program” will be automatically deemed ineligible and the Macao Government Tourism Office will not further notify you.

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