



U.S. Embassy Rangoon Interview Waiver Guidelines (IWP)

You may qualify for IWP and use of the 'drop box', ONLY if ALL the following criteria are met:

- You are applying for the same type of visa
- Your previous visa is valid or has expired within the last 12 months
 - For example, a B1 business visa applicant who holds a B1 visa that expired 11 months ago could apply for another visa under the interview waiver program
- Burma is your normal place of residence
- You have not been refused a U.S. visa
- Your prior visa is not annotated "Clearance Received".

Do you meet the criteria? If so, here's what you need to submit:

1. On-line DS-160 confirmation page
2. Completed DS-157, DS-158 and additional form (found on the U.S. Embassy, Rangoon webpage)
3. Photo (2x2 inch photo on a white background, taken within the last six months).
4. A Valid passport
5. Machine-readable visa fee (\$160 U.S. dollars cash only)
6. Supporting evidence for your visa category, including an invitation letter
7. Your proof of financial documents

You do not need to make an interview appointment. The cashier is open to accept interview waiver applications and visa fee payment on Monday from 8:00 to 10:00 am.

- Applicants must submit a biographic, 2x2 inch photo which was taken within the last six months. Applicants who submit a photo that is older than six months will be asked to submit a new photo.

Processing Time and Quality Control

- Using the interview waiver or drop box service does not guarantee visa issuance or that you will not have to appear for an interview.
- If the officer has questions about the application, a representative from the Embassy will contact the applicant to schedule an interview at the Embassy. For quality assurance, a certain percentage of applicants who qualify for the IWP will automatically be asked to come in for in-person interviews. Visa waiver processing takes approximately two weeks.
- If the consular officer has no additional questions, your visa will usually be ready for collection on the next following Friday at 3:30pm (one week later).

