

Checklist: Tourist visa / type C visa

Important: In general, personal appearance is mandatory

All original documents must be presented along with a photocopy

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1	Visa application form "Application for Schengen Visa", fully completed (4 pages) dated and signed by the applicant			
	The form is free of charge. You can ask for it at the counter or fill in the online application.			
2	Original valid passport as well as previous passport			
	Signed by the applicant. Must be valid for at least three months beyond the planned stay and have at least 2 blank visa pages.			
3	Copy of valid passport (photo, personal data and signature pages only) and previous visas			
4	Three recent identical passport photos of excellent quality			
	Background must be white. They are not returned.			
5	Return flight ticket reservation, with full itinerary			
	Do not buy the ticket before you have obtained the visa. The Embassy is not responsible for the loss of the ticket, if the visa is refused. For a stay up to 3 months, the reservation of the ticket must not exceed 90 days.			
6	Medical insurance			
	Covering the whole period of stay in the Schengen area, with a minimum coverage of EUR 30,000. In case of multiple entries visa request, a medical insurance covering the whole period is needed.			
7	Proof of sufficient financial resources			
	 7.1 Employees: Last 3 months pay slips Letter of authorized leave signed by the employer Work statement mentioning the starting date of employment and position within the company Original bank statements of the last 6 months 7.2 Self-employed: Business registration excerpt Original bank statements of the company of the last 6 months Last tax declaration 7.3 Spouses with no gainful occupation: Indication about activity of spouse (marriage certificate) Work statement mentioning the starting date of employment and position within the company Original bank statements of the last 6 months 7.4 Students: school/university attendance certificate or re-registration for the next academic year covering the intended period of stay Indication about parents' activity and proof of financial resources Original bank statements of the parents of the last 6 months 			
8	Copy of parents' identity card or passport Recent water or electricity invoice, in the name of the applicant			
9	Title deeds or copy of lease agreement			
10	Documents confirming the family situation of the applicant			
	For example: marriage certificate, family certificate, birth certificate if single, etc.			
11	Hotel booking in Switzerland, confirmed and paid			
12	For foreigners: copy of the residence permit in the country of residence valid for at least three months beyond the planned stay in the Schengen area			
13	Minors			
	• Letter of consent signed by both parents or by the legal quardian with a copy of their passports			

- Birth certificate
- School attendance certificate or re-registration for the next academic year covering the intended period of stay
- Original bank statements of the parents of the last 6 months
- Indication about parents' activity and proof of financial resources

Personal appearance:

Applicants who obtained a Schengen visa with biometrical data (digital prints and photography) no longer require giving their biometrical data again if the biometrical data was obtained during the last 59 months.

In these conditions, personal appearance is not required to file a new visa application. The Embassy reserves the right to ask for new fingerprinting if the data previously gathered were unusable.

Processing time:

Visas can be applied for 6 months before the intended date of arrival in Switzerland at the earliest. Complete applications are in general processed within 15 days or more depending on the case.

Visa fees: due in cash at the time the application is submitted *

- Adults (12 years old and older): CFA 52'000.00 / US\$ 97.00
- Children (6 12 years old): CFA 26'000.00 /US\$ 48.00
- Children (younger than 6 years): free

The above information could be modified at any time. Please check our website when planning your trip: www.eda.admin.ch/abidjan

^{*}The visa fee is subject to change