



VISA D – FAMILY REUNIFICATION

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Attention: Nationals who are resident in Switzerland with a valid residence title and who have married in Turkey must inform themselves beforehand at their competent civil registry office in Switzerland whether **the registration of the marriage** by the Consulate General in Istanbul is necessary (for Swiss nationals this registration is required by law). If necessary, please contact istanbul@eda.admin.ch.

GENERAL INFORMATIONS FOR FAMILY REUNIFICATION:

Applications for the "Visa D Family reunification" are ONLY accepted at the Swiss Consulate General in Istanbul.	<input type="checkbox"/>
Applicants must submit the application in person.	<input type="checkbox"/>
The Consulate General of Switzerland reserves the right not to accept incomplete dossiers.	<input type="checkbox"/>
No electronically issued (online) documents will be accepted.	<input type="checkbox"/>
The application for family reunification purposes is sent to the responsible migration authority in Switzerland, which is responsible for approving the application. The Consulate General of Switzerland can only issue the Visa D after receiving the authorization of the migration authorities.	<input type="checkbox"/>
A waiting period of at least 8-10 weeks must be expected (even longer).	<input type="checkbox"/>
For further informations regarding "Visa D - Family reunification" please contact: istanbul.visa@eda.admin.ch	<input type="checkbox"/>
If a "Visa D - Preparation for Marriage" is applied for, the same documents must be submitted (except International Marriage Certificate Form B).	<input type="checkbox"/>

DOCUMENTS FOR THE APPLICATION "VISA D – FAMILY REUNIFICATION"

Please submit all documents in following order.	<input type="checkbox"/>
All documents must be issued in the name of the applicant.	<input type="checkbox"/>
The Consulate General of Switzerland reserves the right to request further documents.	<input type="checkbox"/>
Three application forms for a national visa D (Application for a long stay visa) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o https://www.sem.admin.ch/sem/en/home/themen/einreise/visumantragsformular.html o Duly completed (German, French, Italian or English) o All forms must be signed personally (for minors, one of their legal guardians must sign the visa form) o Filled in by typewriter, online or in block letters (with a blue or black pen) o Please fill in your telephone number and e-mail address! 	<input type="checkbox"/>
Four recent, identical passport pictures <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o For further information consult: https://www.icao.int/Security/mrtd/Downloads/Technical%20Reports/Annex_A-Photograph_Guidelines.pdf 	<input type="checkbox"/>
Valid Passport <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Issued within the last 10 years o Minimum 2 empty pages o Valid at least 3 month after leaving the Schengen Area 	<input type="checkbox"/>
Two copies of passport <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Please make legible copies on A4 sheets o First page (page with the biometric data) o If available, previous visas and entry/exit stamps 	<input type="checkbox"/>
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ALL DOCUMENTS MUST BE CERTIFIED WITH AN APOSTILLE

IMPORTANT! Prepare one legible copy of each document separately in the same order (additional set)

If married, International Marriage Certificate Form B (with Apostille)

- Original, not older than 6 months, issued by the Turkish Civil Registry Office (Nüfus Müdürlüğü)

Detailed family register extract (with apostille)

- Original, current document issued by the Turkish Civil Registry Office (Nüfus Müdürlüğü)
- All civil status entries and family relationships must be visible

Translation from the detailed family register extract

- Original, translated into a Swiss national language (German, French or Italian) by a sworn translator
- Please do not have it certified by a public notary

Criminal record extract (with apostille)

- Original, current document issued by the public prosecutor's office

Translation from the criminal record extract

- Original, translated into a Swiss national language (German, French or Italian) by a sworn translator
- Please do not have it certified by a public notary

Concerns only spouses of non-Swiss EU/EFTA citizens, 18 years and older: Proof of language competence in the Swiss national language spoken at the future place of residence (at least level A1):

Recognised language certificates can be found at the following link:

https://www.fide-info.ch/doc/08_Sprachenpass/fideDE08_ListeAnerkannteSprachzertifikate.pdf

From the family member living in Switzerland

- Copy of valid passport or identity card
- Copy of valid residence permit if family member is not a Swiss citizen

Visa fee:

Payment: Only in Turkish currency and cash

- Adult: 90.- €
- The visa fee for spouses of Swiss or EU/EFTA citizens is free of charge