

**Checklist for a visa of the Family member of a Finnish citizen**

Applicant's Name: _____	Contact Number: _____
Passport Number: _____	E-mail Address: _____

The family member of a Finnish citizen may be applicable for the Directive of Free Movement 2004/38/EY, if the Finnish citizen resides in an EU country other than Finland. In such cases kindly refer to the checklist for the Family Member of an EU citizen.

Original documents have to be presented in the Application Centre. As application appendixes submit photocopies only since the Consulate does not return any other documents than passports. Supporting documents shall be translated in English, Finnish or Swedish and have to be in the following order.

<b>REQUIRED DOCUMENTS</b>	<b>PLEASE DO NOT WRITE BELOW. FOR VAC SUBMISSION OFFICER USE ONLY.</b>	
	<b>VAC SO check all applicable boxes below.</b>	<b>VAC SO</b> If a document is missing or does not meet the requirements add a remark below and explain to the applicant what is required. Fill in the date ( <i>7 days from appointment</i> ) when the applicant has to provide the document(s); section A on page 2. Inform the applicant of the deadline and how to submit the requested document(s) to the Consulate.
<b>Visa applicant:</b> Make sure you have all the - required documents - and copies		
<b>Schengen visa application form</b> duly completed, dated and signed by the applicant (signatures in the field 37, field "multi-visa" in case of multientry and at the end of the application).	<b>Original</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>One color passport photo</b> ; maximum 6 months old, background must be plain light-colored with no shadows, neutral facial expression. The photo needs to fulfill the standards of ICAO. Edited photos are not accepted.	<b>Original</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Valid passport/travel document</b> and one copy of it (ID page and all pages containing markings). Must be valid for minimum 3 months after the journey and issued within the previous 10 years and have at least 2 blank pages.	<b>Original + copy</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Valid US Green Card, EAD Employment Authorization Document (EAD) with text: "Serves as I-512 Advance Parole" or Visa stamped in the passport (accepted visa categories: A, E, F + I-20, G, H, I, J+J1-form, L, O, R).</b> The GC or EAD or visa must be valid at least 3 months after the departure from the Schengen area. If traveling to the applicant's home country from Finland, the applicant needs to show proof of legal status valid until the departure from the United States and a flight reservation accordingly.	<b>Original shown + copy</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Proof of being a family member</b> (e.g. an extract from the Finnish Population Register (max 3 months old), marriage certificate, birth certificate).	<b>Copy</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Invitation letter</b> signed and dated by the inviter, max. 3 months old. Invitation must include the purpose and duration of the visit; relationship with inviter and his/her contact details (address, email, phone number), a copy of the inviter's passport and of valid residence permit, if applicable. If another Schengen country is visited, a hotel reservation or invitation must be presented accordingly.	<b>Copy</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	

<b>Flight reservations</b> (roundtrip including all countries visited). Each reservation must show the name of the applicant and the reservation number. It is not recommended to purchase the tickets before receiving a visa decision.	<b>Copy</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Proof of employment</b> on official letterhead, stamped and dated, with contact information (address, email, telephone number) and name, position and signature of the countersigning officer. The letter must state the name and position of the applicant, salary, years of employment and approval of absence/position after leave. <b>Proof of studies:</b> A valid I-20 form (signed by the school within 6 months) or official letter from the school with stamp, date, name/position/signature of the countersigning officer with contact information stating the name of the applicant and years of studies. Also an approval of absence from studies has to be submitted together with the I-20 form. <b>Self-employment:</b> Documents showing the business activity (business license) and taxation (first 5 pages of tax return documents) of the company.	<b>Copy</b> <input type="checkbox"/>  <b>I-20: original shown + copy</b> <input type="checkbox"/>  <b>Copy</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Proof of sufficient funds:</b> bank account/credit card statements from the past 3 months (incl. pages with transaction information).	<b>Copy</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Old/expired passport(s)</b> with old Schengen visas and border stamps (if relevant).	<b>Copy</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Minors:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Passport or ID copies of guardian(s)</li> <li>• Legalized birth certificate according to the laws of the guardians' home country (or a court decision of custody)</li> <li>• Permission to travel from the guardian(s) if not travelling together with the child (notarized permission if guardian lives in the US or legalized according to the laws of the guardians' home country if he/she does not live in the US)</li> <li>• Proof of sufficient funds from guardian(s)</li> </ul>	<b>Original shown + copy</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	

IN CASE DOCUMENTS ARE MISSING, applicant needs to choose one of the following:

I have understood that I have to submit the above-mentioned documents to the Finnish Consulate by \_\_\_\_\_ (DDMMYYYY). I accept by signing this form that the matter will be decided without the requested documents and that the decision may be to my disadvantage, if I will not submit the documents by the date noted above.

I do not intend to submit the above-mentioned documents to the Finnish Consulate. I accept by signing this form that the matter will be decided without the requested documents and that the decision may be to my disadvantage, if I will not submit the documents by the date noted above.

Note: The Consulate reserves the right to request additional information/documentation and, if deemed necessary, to interview the applicant.

VISA Fee	
Service Fee	
Courier Fee from VAC to the Consulate (if any)	
Courier Fee from Consulate to the applicant (if any)	
Other Fees	
Total	

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name & signature of submission officer & date (DDMMYY)

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Signature of applicant & date (DDMMYY)