



Consulate General of Italy  
Bengaluru

## REQUISITES FOR FAMILY REUNION VISA (D)

### FOR PARENTS OF INDIANS RESIDING IN ITALY

A **Family Reunion Visa** (National – Long Stay) entitles the holder to move to Italy to reunite with a family member who is a lawful resident in Italy.

CHECKLIST			✓
1.	<b>Passport</b>	<p>a) Issued within the last 10 years, with validity not exceeding 10 years.</p> <p>b) No handwritten passports will be accepted. Passports with manual observations will not be accepted.</p> <p>c) Must contain at least 2 blank pages.</p> <p>d) Should be issued within the jurisdiction of the Consulate General of Italy in Bengaluru (Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Telangana, Andhra Pradesh &amp; Puducherry).</p> <p>In case the address shown on the passport does not lay in the mentioned States or in case of non-correspondence of the addresses shown in the documents submitted, the applicant must provide proof of residence in the jurisdiction (Aadhaar card, home rental agreement, electricity bill, water bill, broadband bill, bank account) for the last 6 months prior to application submission.</p>	
2.	<b>Applicant's Cover Letter</b>	<p>A cover letter of the applicant specifying the following:</p> <p>a) Name and occupation of the applicant</p> <p>b) Mention if travelling solo or with somebody or a group. In case of co-traveller(s), mention names, passport numbers, relationship with the applicant, existing Schengen visas or visa appointment location and date.</p> <p>c) Travel dates, itinerary, and duration of stay;</p> <p>d) Details of who will be bearing the expenses;</p> <p>e) Purpose of visit;</p> <p>f) Applicant's occupation and (if any) sponsor's occupation.</p> <p>In case of proprietorship, the cover letter must be on company letterhead.</p>	
3.	<b>Completed Application Form</b>	<b>Application form</b> fully completed and duly signed along with two passport-sized photographs on white background (do not staple to the application).	
4.	<b>Nulla Osta</b>	<p><b>The "Nulla Osta" issued by the competent S.U.I. (Sportello Unico Immigrazione) in Italy.</b> The Nulla Osta should have been issued within 6 months of the date of application.</p> <p>If there are any discrepancies between the applicant's details on the 'Nulla Osta' and the information on the passport, the Consulate General of Italy in Bengaluru will have to request the relevant S.U.I. in Italy. The application process will remain on hold until the corrections are made.</p>	
5.	<b>Attested passport copy of the inviting person</b>	The <b>Original attested copy of the passport (all pages) of the inviting person</b> (son/daughter), holder of the "Nulla Osta" in Italy. Attestation may be done at the Italian Comune, Tribunale or Notaio.	

6.	<b>Apostilled birth certificate of the inviting person</b>	<b>Birth certificate of the inviting person (son/daughter of the applicant), duly attested and apostilled.</b> The birth certificate must have been issued <b>directly in English or in the dual-language version</b> (Indian language and English). Translations in English attested by a notary will NOT be accepted. If submitting a birth certificate issued on the basis of a <b>late registration order by the S.D.M</b> or any other competent authority, a copy of the order must be included with the birth certificate.	
7.	<b>Affidavit from applicant</b>	<b>An affidavit from the applicant, stating his/her economic conditions and the names of all children (sons and daughters), their dates of birth, and their current place of residence.</b> The affidavit must be <b>attested</b> by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>the Public Notary;</li> <li>the Sub-Divisional Magistrate or the Deputy Commissioner of the place where it was issued;</li> <li>the Home Secretary of State.</li> <li>the affidavit must then be duly <b>apostilled</b> by the Ministry of External Affairs, Govt. of India.</li> </ul> In case of other children residing outside of India, <b>proof</b> of their regular residence in the relevant foreign country must be submitted.	
8.	<b>Copy of Ration card</b>	A duly <b>attested &amp; apostilled copy of the Ration Card</b> , along with an apostilled copy of the family tree.	
9.	<b>Proof of Economic dependency</b>	<b>Economic dependence from the inviting son/daughter</b> must be demonstrated through: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Evidence of remittances sent by the inviting son/daughter, showing continuous and prolonged economic support, AND/OR</li> <li>Proof that the applicant has no other means of support (i.e., with bank account passbook of the applicant).</li> </ul> Failure to provide evidence of economic dependency will result in the rejection of the visa application.	
10.	<b>Applicant's passport copy</b>	Photocopies of the following pages: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Front page</li> <li>Last page</li> <li>Pages with observations or endorsements (if any)</li> </ol>	
11.	<b>Flight ticket</b>	One way reservation	

#### KINDLY NOTE:

- The categories of relatives eligible for family reunification are outlined in the Italian legislation, specifically in the *Testo Unico sull'Immigrazione*, Decreto legislativo 5/07/1998 n° 286 e ss.mm. Both the applicant and the inviting person in Italy should familiarize themselves with this legislation before applying.
- All documents must be submitted in original form, along with one copy.** Original documents will be returned if the visa is granted. However, original documents will NOT be returned if the visa application is rejected.
- Any forged or counterfeit certificates, affidavits, or passports submitted will NOT be returned. The applicant may face legal prosecution in both Italian and Indian courts.
- Before submitting the application, the applicant must ensure that **the name, surname, place of birth, date of birth and the names of spouse/parents' on the passport match the spelling on all other relevant documents**, (e.g., birth certificate, marriage certificate, divorce decree, death certificate, S.D.M. order etc). Any discrepancies in spelling must be corrected **BEFORE** submitting the visa application. If the discrepancy pertains to the birth certificate and/or marriage certificate and it is not possible to obtain a new corrected version, the applicant must submit a "One & the Same" certificate issued by the competent local authority, duly attested (by the Home Department) and apostilled.
- It is crucial to provide up-to-date contact details (phone/mobile numbers and email addresses) and regularly check the visa application status.
- The applicant should be aware that during the visa processing, the following may occur:
  - The applicant may be contacted via email or phone for further clarifications.
  - The applicant may receive a notification of "suspension" <sup>1</sup>

( <sup>1</sup>A suspension occurs when additional time is required to process the application, and if further investigations are to be conducted. In this case, the applicant will be notified by the Consulate General through VFS Global that the regular legal deadlines for processing the visa have been interrupted.)

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Please be informed that applicants have no legal right to be issued a visa, but a legitimate interest to have their application processed in compliance with the Italian law and the Schengen regulations. The consular authorities have therefore no obligation to compensate the applicant for any financial loss or moral prejudice resulting from the processing of his/her application.

**By signing here below, the applicant formally confirms:**

- **to have submitted the tick-marked documents;**
- **that the purpose of his/her visit to Italy or the Schengen area corresponds to the requested visa category** (tourism, business, etc.);
- to be aware that, in accordance with the Schengen Visa Code and Italian law, the Consulate General of Italy in Bengaluru can extend the application's processing time in order to request the applicant for a personal interview and/or additional documentation.

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**Acknowledgement by Applicant**

Date :

Sign :