

REQUISITES FOR ACCOMPANYING FAMILY VISA (D) (FAMILIARE AL SEGUITO)

The **Accompanying Family visa** (National – long stay) allows the accompanying family member ("familiare al seguito") to move to Italy along with their family member who is simultaneously applying for a National – long stay visa (such as employment, self-employment, research).

All applicants must possess a "Nulla osta SUI per familiare al seguito" (certificate issued by the Italian competent authority), lacking which the application cannot be submitted.

CHECKLIST					
1.	Passport	 Passport/Travel Document must: a) Issued within the last 10 years, with validity not exceeding 10 years. b) No handwritten passports will be accepted. Passports with manual observations will not be accepted. c) Must contain at least 2 blank pages. d) Should be issued within the jurisdiction of the Consulate General of Italy in Bengaluru (Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Telangana, Andhra Pradesh & Puducherry). 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. Endorsement of spouse/parents' name in the applicants' passport is mandatory. 			
2.	Completed Application Form	Application form fully completed and duly signed along with two passport- sized photographs on a white background (do not staple to the application). For minor applicants, the application form must be signed by both parents.			
3.	Nulla Osta	"Nulla Osta per familiare al seguito" issued by the competent S.U.I. (Sportello Unico Immigrazione) in Italy. The Nulla Osta should have been issued within 6 months of the date of application. 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 correction to the relevant S.U.I. in Italy. The application process will remain on hold until the corrections are made.			
4.	For Accompanying Spouse in Italy	 An original Marriage Certificate issued by the Registrar of Marriage, Sub Registrar, Tehsildar, or Grama Panchayat, clearly indicating the registration number. The certificate must be duly attested by the Under Secretary of the Home Department of the relevant State Government (No S.D.M. attestation), and apostilled by the Ministry of External Affairs, New Delhi. An original Birth Certificate issued by the Registrar of Births & Deaths, Sub Registrar, Tehsildar, or Grama Panchayat, clearly stating the registration 			

5.	For Accompanying Minor/s	 number. The certificate must be notarized, validated by the Under Secretary of the Home Department of the relevant State Government, and apostilled by the Ministry of External Affairs, New Delhi. Both the birth and marriage certificates should have been issued directly in English or the bilingual version (Indian language and English). An original Birth Certificate issued by the Registrar of Births & Deaths, Sub Registrar, Tehsildar, or Grama Panchayat, clearly stating the registration number. The certificate must be duly attested by the Under Secretary of the Home Department of the relevant State Government (No S.D.M. attestation), and apostilled by the Ministry of External Affairs, New Delhi. The birth certificate should have been issued directly in English or the bilingual version (Indian language and English). The certificate should have been issued directly in English or the bilingual version (Indian language and English). The child must be under 18 years old at the time of submission of application for the Nulla Osta. In case the Minor is not travelling with both parents, an affidavit (duly attested 	
		and apostilled) from the parent in India giving his/her consent for the child to travel to Italy for joining the parent who is moving to Italy must be submitted.	
6.	For Accompanying Parent	 An original Birth Certificate of the inviting son/daughter issued by the Registrar of Births & Deaths, Sub Registrar, Tehsildar, or Grama Panchayat, clearly stating the registration number. The certificate must be duly attested by the Under Secretary of the Home Department of the relevant State Government (No S.D.M. attestation), and apostilled by the Ministry of External Affairs, New Delhi. The birth certificate should have been issued directly in English or the bilingual version (Indian language and English). 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. The affidavit must be attested by: the Public 	
7.	One and the same certificate	In case of discrepancies in the spelling of names across any submitted documents, with the exclusion of names of parents indicated in the passport, a "One & the Same" certificate and a photocopy must be provided. The original certificate must be issued by the competent Tehsildar or Grama Panchayat, duly attested by the Under Secretary of the Home Department of the relevant State Government, apostilled by the Ministry of External Affairs.	
8.	Accommodation	Adequate proof of accommodation in Italy such as: hotel bookings, home rental agreement, or accommodation provided by the hosting company.	

9.	Passport copies	 Photocopies of the following pages: a) Front page b) Last page c) Pages with observations or endorsements (if any). For accompanying minors, passport copies of both parents must also be submitted. The endorsement of the full names of both parents on the applicant's passport is mandatory. For the accompanying spouse, a passport copy of the spouse (primary applicant) must also be submitted. The endorsement of the full names of the full names of "spouse" in both the accompanying applicant's passport is mandatory. 	
10.	Flight ticket	One-way flight reservation / Air ticket.	

KINDLY NOTE:

- **"Familiare al Seguito"** visa application must be submitted **simultaneously** with the main work/research study visa (ricerca scientifica) application.
- Ensure that all documents are properly notarized, apostilled, and translated into Italian where required.
- All documents must be submitted in original form, along with a set of copies. The original documents will be RETURNED after the visa processing.
- Any forged or counterfeit certificates, affidavits, or passports submitted will not be returned to the applicant. The applicant may face legal prosecution in both the Italian and the Indian Courts.
- Before submitting the visa application, the applicant must ensure that <u>all</u> personal details, including the name, surname, place of birth, date of birth, and the names of the spouse/parents, must match across the Nulla Osta, passport, and all relevant documents (e.g., birth certificate, marriage certificate, divorce decree, death certificate, SDM order, etc.) before submitting the visa application. Any discrepancies in spelling must be corrected <u>BEFORE</u> submitting the visa application. If discrepancies are found at the time of submission, VFS may request that the applicants present the application directly to the Consulate General, who will then decide on its admissibility.

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 :