



Consulate General of Italy in San Francisco  
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**MISSION VISA**  
**For dependents of U.S./NATO military personnel**  
(National Visa)

You must submit all required documents. Visa applicants can appear in person to submit their visa request at this Consulate General or at the appropriate Honorary Consul (please see the [Consular Network](#) link on our website), or sign before the appropriate military officer.

There is **no fee** for this visa **if** the applicant holds a U.S. official or no fee passport. If an applicant holds an ordinary U.S. passport or a non-U.S. passport, the national visa fee applies.

Applicants must submit the following documents in original:

- **Passport** or travel document accepted by the Schengen countries valid for a period of 3 months beyond the applicant's last day of stay abroad. The passport must have a blank page on which the visa will be affixed. **(plus: photocopy of the official page with personal data and expiration date, plus page with signature if it does not appear on the same page).**
- **Proof of physical residence** in our jurisdiction, such as a photocopy of a driver's license, state ID, or utility bill (please do not send us original IDs other than passports).
- **Proof of legal permanent residence** in the United States (only **non-U.S.** citizens): U.S. Alien Registration Card or valid long-term U.S. visa, valid for at least three months beyond the intended departure from the Schengen member states. **U.S. visas B1/B2 visas are not acceptable for this purpose.** If you have a B1 or B2 visa, you cannot apply for the Schengen tourist visa. **(plus: photocopy of the residence card or the passport page with the long-term U.S. visa).**
- **One** recent ICAO standard **photograph**: 45mm (1,77 inch) by 35mm (1,37 inch) in size, full face, front view, color. It must be glued to the Schengen visa application form, in the top right.
- **One [Long stay visa application form](#)** completely and clearly filled out.
- **Military orders** of the principal assigned to Italy, including all the names of the family members authorized to follow him/her. **Please highlight on the military orders the family member's names before sending the documentation to us. No visa can be issued for a family member who is not named on the orders.**
- **Original marriage certificate** and **child's/children's birth certificate/s** showing parents name, **plus one copy of each** (the original certificates will be returned to the applicant).
- **Original letter on Department letterhead** (i.e.: Department of the Air Force, Department of Navy, etc) indicating:
  - the names of the family members to be transferred to Italy
  - their relationship with the servicemember assigned to the base
  - the Base to which they will be transferred
  - the expected length of stay in Italy
  - expected date and place of entry into Italy;



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- One [Declaration for Mailing Passports](#) completely and clearly filled out
- A self-addressed (from yourself and to yourself) **pre-paid US Postal Service Priority or Express mail envelope** so that your passport can be mailed back to you.

IF FAMILY MEMBERS ARE MINOR CHILDREN, BOTH PARENTS MUST SUBMIT A **NOTARIZED [PARENTAL CONSENT FOR A MINOR TRAVELING ABROAD](#)**, ADDRESSED TO THE ITALIAN CONSULATE, GIVING PERMISSION TO ACCEPT THE VISA APPLICATION AND TO ISSUE THE VISA. THE PARENTS SIGNING THE CONSENT FORM MUST BE THE ONES SHOWN ON THE MINOR'S BIRTH CERTIFICATE, IF THEY ARE NOT, THEN A CUSTODY ORDER IS REQUIRED;

Consular officers may request additional documents at their discretion. **Please be aware that submitting the required documentation does not guarantee the issuance of a visa.**

We strongly urge you to take a photocopy of the application and supporting documents with you to Italy, because the domestic immigration authorities may ask you to show the documents submitted to obtain a visa. There are nine time zones of difference between us and them, so if the authorities must wait for us to send them those documents, it may be inconvenient for you.