



FAMILY REUNIFICATION

File requirements:

1. Three [visa application forms](#) (National visa type D), fully completed, dated and signed by the applicant.
Incomplete application forms will not be accepted. Please indicate your email address and contact telephone number.
Applications of minors (below 18 years of age) have to be signed by both parents. In relevant cases, custody agreements may be requested.
2. Four identical recent passport sized photographs. Please consult the list of [photo requirements](#).
Digital photo files and photocopies will not be accepted.
3. Original valid passport or travel document.
(Please be aware that the passport or travel document must have at least two empty pages at the time the entry visa is issued.)
4. Two copies of valid passport or travel document (photo, data and signature pages only).
5. Two copies of passport or travel document (photo, data and signature pages only) of spouse/partner/parent.
If applicable, please include two copies of the Swiss resident permit.
6. Spouses/partners: Two original marriage certificates with Apostille. Marriage certificates not issued in English or any of the Swiss national languages require a translation.
Children: Two original birth certificates with Apostille. Birth certificates not issued in English or any of the Swiss national languages require a translation.

Spouses and children of Swiss nationals: if the marriage or birth has already been registered in the Swiss civil status registry, please submit 2 copies of your family certificate (Familienausweis/Certificat de famille/Certificate di famiglia).
If the marriage or birth has not yet been registered, please submit the necessary [documentation for registration](#).
7. Adults (except spouses of Swiss and EU/EFTA citizens): Two copies of language competency (A1) in the language spoken at the future place of residence in Switzerland **or** confirmation of enrollment in a language course that will allow this level to be acquired.
Please consult the [factsheet on proof of language skills](#) and the [FAQ's on proof of language skills](#) for information on the subject.
8. Police clearance report ("Teudat Yosher"), sent by the Israeli Police Headquarters directly to the Embassy. Print out of documents handed in by the applicant will not be accepted. Minor applicants up until the age of 16, do not require to submit a police clearance report.

9. Visa fee: please check the [website](#) for current fees. Visa fees are payable in exact cash. No fees apply for spouses and children of Swiss and EU/EFTA citizen and for children under the age of six.

Applications for the purpose of Family reunification will be forwarded for processing and approval to the competent [Cantonal Office of Migration](#) at the applicant's future place of residence.

Processing time: Applications are generally processed by the Cantonal Offices of Migration within **8 – 12 weeks**.

Please be aware that the Embassy of Switzerland:

- Does not accept incomplete application files
- Does not give information on pending files
- May request additional documentation at any time