

Visa for Family reunification in Switzerland

To lodge an application for a long stay visa (visa D), for family reasons, the applicant needs to make an appointment on line via the internet webpage: www.swiss-visa.ch . Please bring a printed version of the appointment confirmation.

For persons living in the Seychelles, please send all the documents to our Consulate in Victoria (address mentioned on the Embassy's website).

Documents to be provided by the host in Switzerland:

- Authorization request letter for a family reunification in Switzerland indicating the circumstances, the relation between the host and the applicant, the undertaking of the costs and the address of the host in Switzerland
- copy of host's identity document or Swiss resident permit
- residence certificate

Documents to be provided by the applicant (please class them in the same order):

- 3 national (type D) visa application forms, fully completed, dated and signed by the applicant. -In case of minors (under 18 years of age) : both parents will need to sign and enclose a legalized copy of their identity document The form may be obtained free of charge from the Embassy or downloaded from the Swiss Embassy website: www.eda.admin.ch/madagascar : or through the link:
- 2 identical recent passport photos (70 to 80 % of the face on the picture format 35x45mm) (Digital files and photocopies will not be accepted)
- Original national biometric passport valid at least 3 months after the date of entry and with at least 2 free pages
- 3 copies of valid national passport

Spouses and children of Swiss nationals:

- if the marriage or birth has already been registered in Switzerland : 2 copies of the family certificate
- If the marriage or the birth has not yet been registered in Switzerland: 2 marriage certificate or birth certificate translated into a Swiss official language and legalized by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Madagascar.

Spouses and children of foreign (non-Swiss) citizens:

- 2 copies of the marriage certificate or birth certificate*
- 2 copies of the residence certificate*

*Documents in any language other than Swiss official languages requires a translation into French, German or Italian.

For Seychelles, copies should have an Apostille, in this case no translation is necessary.

All the documents have to be recent, documents older than 6 months are not accepted.

Visa Fee:

Adults : 80 €

Children from 6 to 12 years of age : 40 €

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For spouses and children of Swiss and EU/EFTA nationals and children under six years of age, the visa is free of charge.

Amount to be paid cash in Ariary according to the exchange rate at the time of application.

Non-refundable in case of visa refusal or withdrawal of the application.

Visa application will be forwarded for decision to the competent cantonal migration authorities where the applicant intend to settle down and the representation will only be able to issue the visa upon receipt of the authorization.

These is not an exhaustive list. If necessary, you may be requested to submit additional documents.

Please note that the procedure takes at least 8 to 12 weeks, or even longer.

The host in Switzerland can follow up with the cantonal authorities.

N.B. : opening hours of the Embassy to the public: Monday-Friday from 08.30 am to 11.30 am (except public holidays)