

Consolato Generale d'Italia Houston

FAMILY REUNION (ITALIANS or EU Citizens) - RICONGIUNGIMENTO FAMILIARE per familiari stranieri di cittadini italiani o UE

Document check-list

- 1. <u>Visa application form</u>. Please notice that all the names appearing on the passport must appear on the application form (all data must match those on the passport). In case of mailing or drop off you need to get the signature notarized before a US notary public.
- 2. Recent passport-size photograph 2 x 2 inches (51 x 51 mm), on white background, full face and front view. Scanned or photocopied photos will NOT be accepted;
- 3. <u>Valid passport</u> (Original plus 1 copy of the page with photograph and expiration date). The passport or travel document must be valid at least three months after the visa expiration date. Please make sure the passport is no older than 10 years and has at least two blank pages to affix the visa;
- 4. Notarized Copy of the Permanent Residence Card or other US immigration document allowing re-entry into the United States (e.g., valid long-term US visa, Advanced Parole, etc.). International students must submit a notarized copy of F-1 Visa and I-20 (1 copy). In case of appointment, the documents can be validated by the Officer.
- 5. <u>Driver's License or State ID</u> (only **1 copy**) as proof of residence in the jurisdiction of this Consulate General. If you recently moved into our jurisdiction you can submit another proof of current address (e.g., utility bills, bank statements, etc.);
- 6. <u>Invitation letter</u> from the family member who exercises the right to the family reunification, accompanied by a copy of an ID.
- 7. Administrative documentation proving the familiar relationship (marriage certificate, birth certificate, etc.). All foreign documents must be legalized by means of an Apostille and translated into Italian. All documents not issued in the United States must be legalized in the issuing country and the translation into Italian must be legalized by the Italian Embassy/Consulate in that country;
- 8. <u>Flight reservation</u> showing complete itinerary. If you visit more than one Schengen country, please provide means of transportation between countries (ex. car rental, train reservation);
- 9. **Mailing**

Applicants can provide a SELF-ADDRESSED, PRE-PAID EXPRESS MAIL ENVELOPE to receive the passport and visa by mail. Envelopes with insufficient postage will not be accepted. Passport and visas can be always collected at this Office during regular business hours. WE DO NOT ACCEPT REGULAR MAIL