



SCHENGEN VISITOR VISA TO NORWAY

Criteria, conditions and procedures for applying for a visa

Requirement for a visa

If you wish to visit Norway for a short period of time, you must generally obtain a visa prior to entry if you come from a country with a visa requirement for entering Norway.

Applicants are required to provide copies of both the bio and signature pages of the passport.

Applicants can submit their application at the most 6 months in advance for Schengen visa. A visa is only intended to allow a foreign national to visit Norway and/or the other Schengen countries for a limited period (maximum of 90 days). If you wish to reside in Norway for an extended period (more than 90 days), you need to apply for a long-term visa (student, work permit or family reunification).

When you apply for a visa, the application will be sent to the Royal Norwegian Embassy in Ankara for processing. All cases are considered individually to see if the conditions for a visa are fulfilled. To read more about the conditions that must be fulfilled in order to be granted a visa, please refer to the webpage of UDI in Norway here:

<https://www.udi.no/en/want-to-apply/visit-and-holiday/> and select the purpose of your visit.

Where to hand in your application

The Royal Norwegian Embassy in Ankara handles visa applications from applicants residing in Albania (non-biometric passport holders), Azerbaijan, Bosnia-Herzegovina (non-biometric passport holders), Iran, Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, Kosovo (non-biometric passport holders), Moldova (non-biometric passport holders), Montenegro (non-biometric passport holders), Palestine, Serbia (non-biometric passport holders), Syria, Türkiye, and the Ukraine (non-biometric passport holders).

Applicants who are not nationals or residents of the above-mentioned countries must document that they are residing legally in the country where they apply from and must provide justification for lodging the application with the Norwegian Embassy in Ankara. Applications may be submitted at one of the VFS Global application centers in the

region, <https://www.vfsglobal.com/en/individuals/index.html>.

Please make sure to apply for your Schengen visa at the Embassy or Consulate of the country of your main destination.

One destination

If you would like to visit one Schengen country, apply for your Schengen visa at the Embassy or Consulate of that country. Apply for your Schengen visa at a Norwegian Embassy or Consulate if Norway is your only destination.

More than one destination

If you would like to visit several Schengen countries, apply for your visa at the Embassy or Consulate of the country of your main destination in terms of length of stay or the purpose of stay.

If you intend to visit several Schengen countries, but do not have a main destination (i.e. you intend to spend an equal number of days in each country), you should apply at the Embassy or Consulate of the Schengen country which is your first port of entry.

Travel medical insurance

When applying for a visa, your travel medical insurance must cover the days of your intended stay in the Schengen area. Important: If you after issuance of the visa decide to delay your entry to the Schengen area, you are yourself responsible to buy/hold valid insurance that covers the actual stay in the Schengen area. Failure to hold insurance that covers the actual stay may lead to problems at the airport or entering the Schengen area.

The travel medical insurance must meet the following criteria:

- It is valid throughout Schengen territory.
- It is valid during the entire period that you will be in Schengen territory.
- The coverage is at least EURO 30.000.
- The coverage includes repatriation for medical reasons, urgent medical care and/or emergency treatment in a hospital and assistance in case of death. We will only accept machine-written insurance policies.

Visa fee

Applicants shall pay a visa fee of EUR 90. Children from the age of six years and below the age of 12 years shall pay a visa fee of EUR 40. The payment is made online when you register your application in the UDI Forms application portal.

Biometric identifiers

At the time of submission of the first application, the applicant shall be required to appear in person. At that time, the following biometric identifiers of the applicant shall be collected: a photograph, scanned or taken at the time of application, and 10

fingerprints. Where fingerprints collected from the applicant as part of an earlier application were entered in the VIS for the first time less than 59 months before the date of the new application, they shall be copied to the subsequent application.

Admissibility

If you have lodged the application within the period referred to in Visa Code Article 9(1) and the application contains an application form, a travel document, a photograph, biometric data of the applicant and visa fee, the application is admissible. Please note that in addition to these basic elements mentioned in your visa applications, further requirements of supporting documents must be handed in.

Supporting documents

According to Visa Code Art 14 the applicant shall present several documents with the application for the competent consulate to verify the fulfilment of the conditions for granting a visa. Please refer to our webpage for detailed description of the document requirements: <https://www.norway.no/en/turkiye/services-info/visitors-visa-res-permit/visitors-visa/#necessary-doc>

Case processing time: The time limits for examining applications provided for in Article 23:

According to Visa Code Art 23 first paragraph, the normal processing time for a visa application is 15 calendar days. However, according to Visa Code Art 23 second paragraph, that period may be extended up to a maximum of 45 calendar days in individual cases, notably when further scrutiny of the application is needed.

Decision

As soon as a decision has been made by the Embassy or Consulate, the Embassy or Consulate will send the passport with the decision in a sealed envelope to the VFS Global application center where the applicant applied. VFS Global will then notify the applicant through email and/or telephone - and SMS, if the applicant has opted for this service.

Appeal

Please note that all applicants whose applications are refused have a right to appeal. If the Embassy rejects an application, it is stated in the rejection letter how and where you should send the appeal. Please note that if you appeal, you must appeal within three weeks from the date on which notification of the administrative decision has reached the party concerned, or from the date on which the applicant has or should have obtained knowledge of the decision.

Service complaints

We have also ensured that you are able to submit service complaints to VFS or the Embassy regarding conduct of staff or the application process. Please find more information on this on the websites of VFS or the Embassy.

Duration of stay

Your stay in the Schengen area cannot exceed the number of days in the “duration of stay” field in the visa sticker.

Period of validity

When we issue a Schengen-visa, we will add 15 days to the validity of the visa to allow you some flexibility regarding when to enter and exit the Schengen area, but the total number of days you are allowed to stay in the Schengen area remains the same. This means that the period between “from...until...” in the visa sticker will be 15 days longer than the number of days printed in the “duration of stay” field.

Right of entry

According to Visa Code Art 30, holding a visa does not give you an automatic right of entry to the Schengen area. When you enter the Schengen area, you will have to present:

- your passport with the visa sticker
- proof that you have enough money to support yourself during your stay (e.g. cash or credit card). If you have a sponsorship form, you should always bring a copy of this form with you
- documentation showing the purpose of your visit, such as an invitation letter, hotel reservation, etc.
- a return or round-trip ticket if you are visiting the Schengen area for tourist purposes or on a private visit