

THE UNIFORM «SCHENGEN» VISA

Visa applications have to be lodged at the Austrian embassy or consulate in your country of residence.

The application itself does not automatically give the right to travel or to get a visa. Visas can only be issued if all necessary preconditions are met.

APPLICATIONS FOR SHORT STAY VISAS (TOURISM - PRIVATE VISITS - BUSINESS) SHOULD BE PRESENTED PERSONALLY. THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS SHOULD BE PROVIDED:

Applicants have to present at least the documents mentioned below:

- A recent photo according to ICAO standards (color, 35x45 mm).
- Passport (valid at least 3 months after the expiry of the visa with at least 2 empty pages, passport not older than 10 years).
- At selected agencies (please see your embassy website), biometric identifiers (10 fingerprints taken flat and collected digitally) of each applicant will be collected.
- Copy of the passports data sheet (page on which the photo is located)
- Proof of legal stay (if the application is not presented in the country of origin).
- Means of transport (reservation OR booking; submission of a paid ticket is NOT required).
- Travel insurance, health insurance, accident insurance (minimum coverage € 30.000,- plus return transport insurance) valid for the Schengen area.
- Proof of financial means or electronic letter of guarantee (Elektronische Verpflichtungserklärung - the person inviting the applicant should make a declaration of guarantee at the local office of the "Fremdenpolizei" (alien's police) which informs the competent Austrian Embassy or Consulate General accordingly) – THIS WILL BE DONE BY IAAS AUSTRIA
- Justification concerning the stay in Austria. – YOU WILL RECEIVE AN OFFICIAL INVITATION FROM IAAS AUSTRIA.
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Consular fees:

Short stay visa: € 60,-

in EURO or local currency. For detailed information or exceptions please visit the website of the embassy or consulate concerned, read the information boards in front of the embassy or obtain the information by telephone.

Additional required documents:

- hotel reservation (not necessary, as you will be lodged by IAAS Austria)
- proof of adequate financial means

IMPORTANT NOTES:

You are kindly asked to present your application at least three weeks before the intended travel. The consular fees have to be paid when lodging the application; they are not reimbursed in case of refusal.

All points of the visa application form have to be filled out completely and correct.

Documents missing may cause inadmissibility of the application or delay the application

For further questions on the application process contact Julia (IAAS Austria):
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