



FAMILY REUNION

Stay of more than 90 Days (National type D visa)

General application rules:

- The applicant has to appear in person and by appointment with the below mentioned documents at the Embassy of Switzerland in The Hague/Netherlands. The requested original documents need to be submitted separately.
- The visa administration fees must be paid in cash or by maestro debit card (PIN) when submitting the visa application. For spouses and children of Swiss and EU/EFTA nationals, and for children under six years of age, the visa is free of charge.
- The complete application will be forwarded to the competent cantonal migration authorities in Switzerland for the final decision. This process may take 8-12 weeks. The Regional Consular Center Benelux will only be able to issue a visa once authorization has been granted. The applicant will be contacted directly by the cantonal migration authorities.
- For further information, please consult the homepage of the Regional Consular Center Benelux in The Hague www.eda.admin.ch/denhaag or send us an email at benelux@eda.admin.ch.

Please submit the documents in the following order:			√
1.	Visa application form «Application for a long stay visa (visa D)» completed, dated and signed. In case of minors (under 18 years of age), both parents will need to sign and add a copy of their passport	3x	
2.	Recent <u>passport-size photos</u> in color with white background (not older than 6 months)	2x	
3.	Passport valid for more than 3 months beyond the validity of the requested visa and containing at least 2 empty visa pages (Copies only from the photo, data and signature page)	1x original 2x copies	
4.	Valid residence permit from NL, BE or LUX	1x original 2x copies	
5.	Marriage certificate for spouses / birth certificate for dependent children (Documents in any other language than English, German, French or Italian require a certified translation)	1x original 2x copies	
6.	Copies of the passport of the family member living in Switzerland (only from the photo, data and signature page)	2x	
7.	Copies of the Swiss residence permit of the family member living in Switzerland (if applicable)	2x	
8.	Proof of language competency (A1) in the language spoken at the future place of residence in Switzerland <u>or</u> confirmation of enrolment in a language course that will allow this level to be acquired. Please consult the <u>factsheet on proof of language skills</u> and <u>FAQ</u> for further information	1x original 2x copies	

Please note that this is not an exhaustive list. If necessary, you may be requested to submit additional documents.

Approved visa:

Once the authorization to enter Switzerland has been granted, the visa can be collected. Please bring your passport and the letter of authorization during our opening hours (by appointment). The visa is normally ready the same day in the afternoon. If you would like to have your passport returned by postal mail, kindly mention it when you submit your application with the Embassy.

Within the first 14 days of your initial entry you will have to declare your arrival at the Residents' Registration Office (German: Migrationsamt/Einwohnerkontrolle; French: Police des étrangers/contrôle des habitants; Italian: Ufficio degli stranieri/Controllo degli abitanti) at your place of residence.

The residence permit will be issued upon notification of your arrival in Switzerland.