

Visa for airport transit

Please note: only foreign residents and foreign students in the United States who have a valid permanent resident card or U.S. visa (e.g. categories F1 (I-20), H1B (I-797), G1, J1, I-512 etc.) may apply for a visa. If you have a B1 and/or B2 visa, you must apply in your country of residence.

Note for children and spouses of Swiss and EU/EFTA nationals: point 9 does not apply. Instead, please include the following documents: Notarized copy of the Swiss or EU passport of spouse/partner/parent and proof of family relation (marriage/birth certificate or partnership contract.)

Please note: an airport transit visa allows entry to Switzerland for the sole purpose of changing planes and does not allow the bearer to exit the terminal building.

Requirements:

- 1. Printed Schengen visa application form, fully completed and signed by the applicant. Please fill in and **print** your online application as well as **book your appointment** (if <u>personal appearance</u> is required) on the website: <u>www.swiss-visa.ch</u>.
 - In case of minors (under 18 years of age), both parents will need to sign and enclose a copy of their passports. Custody agreements/orders will have to be submitted.
- Two recent identical passport photos: please consult the requirements on the <u>webpage</u>.
 US-standard size passport photos will also be accepted. Digital files and photocopies will **not** be accepted.
- 3. Original valid passport or travel document. Must be valid for at least three months beyond the planned stay, issued within the previous ten years and have at least 2 blank visa pages.
- 4. Copy of valid passport or travel document (photo, data and signature pages only)
- 5. Notarized copy of proof of residency in the USA, e.g. a valid permanent resident card (green card), H1B visa (plus I-797), F-1 visa (plus I-20), etc.
- 6. If applicable, copies of previous Schengen visas issued within the past 5 years
- 7. A copy of your flight reservation.
- 8. Passports with issued visas will be mailed back. Please provide a prepaid, self-addressed return envelope with a tracking number of a secure carrier. Applicants must indicate their name and address both as sender and recipient. The Swiss representation does not assume any liability for the loss of documents submitted or returned by mail.
- 9. The visa fee is subject to change: please check the website for the current fee

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