

Information sheet on Schengen Visa C (valid for Switzerland only):

Family visits for earthquake survivors (maximum 90 days) (as at 14.02.2023, 5pm (CET))

This information sheet applies to visa applications from **earthquake survivors** who have **lost their home in the earthquakes** and wish to stay temporarily with a **direct relative** in Switzerland (Swiss citizen or person with a valid residence permit B or settlement permit C).

The visa application must be submitted to the local TLScontact visa application centre: <u>https://ch.tlscontact.com/tr/IST/splash.php</u>

Please submit all documents in the following order and do not staple sheets together.	
 Visa application form: Duly completed (German, French, Italian or English) with a blue or black ballpoint pen Signed in person in the space provided If the application is not submitted in person: dated and signed letter of authorisation for the representative 	
 Valid passport: Valid passport (<i>Pasaport</i>) or valid emergency passport (<i>Geçici Pasaport</i>) Issued within the last 10 years At least 2 blank pages The passport must be valid for at least 3 months after leaving Switzerland (the Schengen area). 	
Proof of residence and right of stay	
Turkish nationals	
Proof of residence in the earthquake region	
Non-Turkish nationals	
 Proof of residence and right of stay in the earthquake region, valid for at least three months beyond the intended date of departure from Switzerland (the Schengen area) 	
1 recent passport photo, 35 x 45mm (taken within the last 6 months)	
Family register excerpt – entire family (<i>tam tekmil vukuatlı nüfus kayıt örneği</i>)	
 Close relationship must be proven by means of a recent family register excerpt. 'Close relationship' means direct relatives in the ascending and descending line as well as spouses, i.e. in particular grandparents, parents, minor and adult children and minor grandchildren. 	
 Dated and signed letter of invitation from the host in Switzerland/FL in German, French or Italian Personal details and address of the host, with telephone number and email address Details of the relationship with the host. Close relationship must be proven by means of a recent family register excerpt. 'Close relationship' means direct relatives in the ascending and descending line as well as spouses, i.e. in particular grandparents, parents, minor and adult children and minor grandchildren. Reason for the visit and duration of stay (incl. mention of who is paying for travel, accommodation and meals) as well as specific information on how the applicant has been affected by the earthquake (e.g. house collapsed). Copy of host's passport or ID; if not a Swiss citizen, copy of valid residence permit B or settlement permit C 	
Accident and travel health insurance (copy) ¹ : Signed Minimum cover of EUR 30,000 	

¹ The policy may also be taken out by the host or a third party on behalf of the applicant.

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- Valid for the Schengen area and the entire duration of the intended stay • The insurance must cover repatriation in the event of illness and also emergency medical assistance and/or emergency admission to hospital Minors, travelling alone: Recent notarial declaration of consent by the legal representative (muvafakatname); original and copy, the original will be returned when the application is submitted. Legal representative: judicial divorce decree with custody order or death certificate \Box Minors, travelling with one parent or accompanying person: Recent notarial declaration of consent by the legal representative (muvafakatname); original and copy, the
 - original will be returned when the application is submitted.
 - Legal representative: judicial divorce decree with custody order or death certificate •
 - Accompanying person: copy of passport with valid Schengen visa

Declaration of sponsorship:

A declaration of sponsorship is an official document proving that third-party nationals have sufficient financial means to stay in Switzerland. The form is issued to the applicant by the representation during the visa process.

In signing the declaration of sponsorship, a solvent natural or legal person resident or domiciled in Switzerland undertakes to cover the costs arising from illness, accident, return transport and living expenses incurred by the guest for public or private medical services during the guest's stay in the Schengen area. The guaranteed amount is CHF 30,000 for individuals and for groups and families travelling together up to a maximum of ten people.

The Swiss Consulate General reserves the right to request further documents and/or to invite the applicant for a personal interview.

The priority status of visa applications using this form applies temporarily. Processing of applications within a certain period of time cannot be guaranteed.