



Checklist for a SCHENGEN Visa

- FAMILY / FRIEND / (UNMARRIED) PARTNER VISIT -

This visa is applicable in case you are traveling to Germany for visiting your family members or friends.

Before booking an appointment, please prepare the following documentation for your visa. The following documents are to be submitted personally at the Embassy after booking an appointment..

IMPORTANT:

1. This visa is given for a travel period of **less than 90 days**.
2. Please provide the **original** documents in the **first (1.) pile** in the below mentioned order!)
3. Please also provide one **copy** of all documents in a **second (2.) pile!**
4. The **printed and signed checklist** must be submitted with your application form at your appointment.
5. The Embassy reserves the right to request additional documents.

DOCUMENTS:

- Fully completed and **signed application form** for "schengen visa" ([here](#))
- Where applicable: [Declaration](#) fully completed and signed regarding contact details and power of attorney
- Valid passport** (valid for at least 3 months after your scheduled return and with at least two (2) completely empty pages)
- Recent **biometric passport photos** (see specimen photos, other photos cannot be accepted and delay the visa process)
- If any: Copies of all **previous Schengen-Visa** (at least last two years)
- Flight reservation**
- Proof of adequate **health insurance** cover
Health insurance upon entry for the duration of the stay, minimum cover of 30,000.00 Euros and valid for all Schengen countries. It has to adhere to Schengen rules and regulations.
- Visa fee of **80€**. **Payable cash in RWF.**

Proof of travel purpose:

- Signed invitation letter** from your host - in original - stating duration of stay, at which address you are going to stay, the nature of your relationship and the purpose of your visit
- Passport/ID - copy of the host in Germany (bio-data page and - if your host is not German - residence permit / card)
- If applicable: **Proof of family ties** - e.g. original birth/marriage certificates
- If you are not able to provide proof of sufficient financial resources yourself: **Formal obligation letter** (Verpflichtungserklärung) – original – to be applied for by the host at the alien's authority at his place of residence –

Proof of ties to Rwanda:

- If employed:
 - **Employer's certificate** for position, contract duration and monthly salary
 - Confirmation of your absence
- If self-employed/freelancer:
 - **Company registration,**
 - **Business permit/ trade register**
 - **Certified bank statements** of business account of at least the last 3 orders / jobs
 - If applicable: business correspondences
 - If applicable contracts/ agreements of at the last 3 orders / jobs
- If studying: current letter of your university/school confirming your **registration,** field of studies, remaining semesters and if applicable **results**
- If applicable: title deeds, rent contracts

Proof of financial situation: *(Please note that cash or large one-time remittances in your account are not acceptable proof.)*

- Pay-slips** of at least the last 3 months
- Certified bank statements** of the last 3 month (the ones where the salary is paid in)
- Social security fund (RSSB)** of at least the last 3 months

For children below the age of 18:

- Original **legalized birth certificate**

- Original declaration of consent** to travel singed by all parents/legal guardians
- Copy (first page) of parents/legal guardians **passport** / ID
- If one parent is deceased or sole custody has been granted: original relevant legal-ized documents
- Confirmation of the school**, including confirmation of the school's holiday timings
- Certified bank statements** for 3 months of one parent/legal guardian

Applicant of a nationality other than Rwandan:

- Proof of habitual abode by "**residence permit/visa**"

COMPLETENESS OF APPLICATION

Is the application complete?

- Yes
- No, the information/documents indicated above are lacking. I was informed that I have to submit the missing documents till _____

Declaration when application is not complete:

I have been informed that my application is not complete. I am aware that submitting an incomplete application can lead to the application being rejected. I would like to submit my application nevertheless.

place, date, signature, name