

**Family reunion visa for Afghan Citizens holding a residence permit in Italy (this procedure does not apply for Italian Citizen family members)**

**Required documents**

Application form duly completed and signed by the applicant.

- Two recent color photos (size 35 mm x 40 mm with white or very light background and in accordance with I.C.A.O. standards).
- Valid passport (valid for one year beyond the visa expiry date), with at least two blank pages.
- Copy of the first page of the passport and any previous Schengen visas.
- A NULLA OSTA (Authorization letter, **no older than six months**) issued by the “Sportello Unico per l’Immigrazione” from the competent Prefettura in Italy.
- Copy of the “permesso di soggiorno” of the family member residing in Italy.
- Original or copy of flight-booking or air ticket.

**Documents regarding civil status and family relationship are listed below:**

- Original Marriage Certificate in dari language along with its English translation.
- Original ID card of each applicant in dari language along with the English translations.
- Original ID card of the family member residing in Italy along with the English translation.
- Birth Certificate of each applicant along with the English translations.

**Documents needed in case of proxy wedding:**

- Original and translated version of Power of Attorney issued for the attorney who legally represented the groom/ bride during the bureaucratic process of document issuance.
- English translation of Power of Attorney.
- The original Acceptance Letter from the attorney.
- English translation of the acceptance letter.
- Original ID card of the attorney along with its translated version.

**In the case the visa applicant is not in possession of one or all the above mentioned documents regarding civil status or family relationship, or the documents are not endorsed by Afghan authorities or legalized by the Embassy of Italy in Kabul, the Family Reunion applicant residing in Italy has to fill out a self-declaration according to DPR 445/2000 in which he/she assumes the responsibility of the declarations made.**

**Note:** the Italian Embassy reserves the right to request further documentation in addition to that mentioned above. The issuing of this kind of visa usually takes 90 days since the application is transmitted to the Consular Chancery of the Italian Embassy, unless further checks and verifications are required.