National Visa (Type D) – Family Reunification

Applications for family reunification must be submitted in person. To schedule an appointment, please send a request by e-mail to: baku.visa@eda.admin.ch

If a marriage has taken place in Azerbaijan, it is the responsibility of the foreign national residing in Switzerland to clarify with the <u>relevant registry office</u> whether the marriage will be entered in the Swiss civil status register.

General information for family reunification:

☐ Only complete files will be forwarded to the competent cantonal migration office in Switzerland for a decision. The visa section reserves the right to reject incomplete files.		
☐ The visa can only be issued by this embassy once the decision of the cantonal migration authority has been received. A processing time of 8 to 10 weeks or more by the cantonal migration authority must be expected.		
☐ If you intend to get married in Switzerland, please also read the information provided by this Embassy on the marriage preparation procedure and the documents to be submitted together with the visa application. The information sheets are available on the website of this Embassy in German, French, Italian and English.		
☐ The Embassy is closed on the following public holidays: see <u>here</u> .		
☐ This document is distributed free of charge.		
☐ The Embassy does not cooperate with external agencies and service providers.		
 The Embassy reserves the right to: Request additional documents. Transmit the application to authorities in Switzerland for decision. Conduct an interview with the applicant. Change the content of this information sheet without any prior notice. 		

List of required documents to be submitted for family reunification:

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	3 recent pictures with a plain light-colored background according to the <u>guidelines</u> (do not attach the application form)
	Original and 2 copies of the passport (identity page with signature), must be valid for at least three months beyond the planned entry, have been issued within the previous ten years and contain at least two empty pages
	3x visa <u>application form D</u> , duly completed and originally signed (signed by both parents for minors)

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	2 copies of previous Schengen visa	
	2 copies of the Swiss residence permit, Swiss passport or Swiss identity card of the husband/wife (fiancé/fiancée) residing in Switzerland	
	Visa fees: the visa is issued free of charge if the spouse residing in Switzerland is a Swiss citizen or a EU/EFTA citizen. For all other nationalities, see the Embassy's website.	
	Concerns only spouses of non-Swiss EU/EFTA citizens, 18 years and older: Proof of language competence in the Swiss national language spoken at the future place of residence (at least level A1): Recognised language certificates can be found at the following link: https://www.fide-info.ch/doc/08_Sprachenpass/fideDE08_ListeAnerkannteSprachzertifikate.pdf	
>	For Azerbaijani citizens: all documents listed below must be certified with an Apostille! For Turkmen citizens: all documents listed below must be certified by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Ashgabat!	
	If married: legalized copy of the marriage certificate, translated into the relevant Swiss national language. Original and 1 copy	
	Legalized copy of the birth certificate, translated into the relevant Swiss national language. Original and 1 photocopy	
	Extract from the criminal records	
	Confirmation of residence of the person who is resident abroad, with a certified translation into the relevant Swiss national language. Original and 1 copy	