



Checklist for Schengen Visa: Visitor (visiting family, friends, etc.)

Please submit the documents in the exact order given below, please do not staple any document.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<p>Visa application form:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Completed and signed by the applicant ➤ The visa application form is free of charge and can be downloaded from the website: https://www.sem.admin.ch/sem/en/home/themen/einreise/visumantragsformular.html <p>Important information for minors (under the age of 18) Both parents must sign the visa application form and the following additional documents are required:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) The legalized birth certificate of the minor (containing both parents names). If the document is not in German, English, French or Italian, a translation by an official translator in one of those languages is needed. b) Copies of passports from both parents c) Consent letter of parents who do not travel with minor, certified by a Canadian authority. d) The relevant court documents, if only one parent has guardianship. e) Death certificate, if one of the parents passed away. 	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Valid national passport:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Your original passport valid at least three months beyond the intended stay, issued within the previous ten years. The passport must have at least two blank visa pages 	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>A photocopy of your passport (photo, data and signature pages only). If applicable, a copy of your previous Schengen visas, including related entry/exit stamps.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>One passport size picture:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ One loose passport color photo according to requirements. 	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Proof of residency:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ If you are not a Canadian citizen, a photocopy of your proof of residency in Canada (PR card, both sides copied on one sheet OR Canadian work or study permit and visa in your passport) valid for at least three months after the date of re-entry to Canada. 	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Flight reservation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ A copy of your confirmed flight reservations / train tickets showing how you get to the Schengen area, travel around in the Schengen area and how you exit the Schengen area. The applicant's name and airline reservation / train ticket number must be visible 	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Travel Insurance: A confirmation that you hold sufficient travel insurance containing all of the following information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Your full name and duration of coverage ➤ The geographical coverage (usually "out of province" or "worldwide"): your coverage must be valid for all Schengen countries ➤ The covered amount must be a minimum of CAD 50'000 / Euro 30'000 for emergency medical expenses, hospital treatment and repatriation for medical reasons. <p>Generic information, such as policy descriptive or insurance booklets, is not accepted</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ A recent letter signed by your employer, confirming position, salary and continued employment after your return to Canada (work contract/offer is not accepted). ➤ For self-employed, a registration or incorporation of your business, business license or business notice of articles showing your name. ➤ For students, a confirmation of enrollment and a copy of the student card (both sides copied on one sheet). ➤ For all others (retirees, pensioners etc.), documents proving ties in Canada, such as a property (copies of invoices and Property Tax Notice), investments, financial commitments (Notice of Assessment) in Canada as well as proof of family responsibilities 	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Invitation letter:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ An invitation letter signed by the host, mentioning your full name (according to your passport), and the details of your stay (dates and duration), as well as the host's personal details (name, address, email, and phone number) and relationship to you. ➤ A copy of your host's passport and/or residency permit 	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Proof of sufficient financial resources:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ A personal Canadian bank statement for the past three months, showing your name and all transactions on your account. A minimum of CAD 145 per day is required (CAD 50 for students). If you do not fulfil this requirement, you have the following option: <p><i>Visa for Switzerland: The Consulate can provide you with an official declaration of sponsorship, which you must send to your host in Switzerland. Your host must fill out the form and have it reviewed by the immigration office in his/her Canton of residence. The process takes generally 3-6 weeks.</i></p> <p><i>Visa for Austria: Your host may get in touch with the "Landespolizeidirektion" of his/her residence in Austria and ask for an "Elektronische Verpflichtungserklärung EVE". For more information please visit this website.</i></p> <p><i>Visa for Germany: Your host may sign a Formal Obligation form ("Verpflichtungserklärung"). He/she can procure the form from the "Ausländerbehörde" in the jurisdiction of his residence. The original as well as a photocopy are needed.</i></p> <p><i>Visa for Slovenia: Your host may sign a Letter of Guarantee. For more information please visit this website.</i></p>	<input type="checkbox"/>