



IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Immigrant Visa Interview:

The Embassy will make every effort to expedite your visa application on the day of your appointment, but it is a process which does require several hours. We will take all your documents and capture your fingerprints on the scheduled interview time. It is possible that you will have to come back in the afternoon for the actual interview.

Please be prepared to spend the whole day in Bern before final action can be taken on your application. Should complications arise, it is unlikely that you will receive the visa on the day of your appointment; you may have to return to this office another time.

Immigrant Visa Delivery:

The Embassy does not provide same-day immigrant visa issuance. If an immigrant visa is approved, it can be picked up at the earliest at 1600 the next working day. Visas are distributed at the "Visa Pickup Window" at the Embassy entrance promptly at 1600.

Exceptions to this process will be made only in genuine emergencies. Should you wish to have the immigrant visa mailed to you, submit one envelope per person in the size of approximately 25 x 35cm or (10 x 14 inches). The envelope should be able to hold up to one kilogram.

Please include Swiss francs 6. - IN STAMPS (not cash) for each person. Please note: The immigrant visa can only be mailed to a Swiss or Liechtenstein address.

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For your information: Neither the U.S. Embassy nor the U.S. Government can accept any liability for passports or visas lost in the mail.

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