



U.S. Embassy

Bishkek, Kyrgyz Republic

Please follow the steps below *before* your immigrant visa interview at the U.S. Embassy in Bishkek, Kyrgyz Republic.

Step 1: Register your appointment online

Register your appointment online at <https://ais.usvisa-info.com/en-kg/iv/>. Registering your appointment gives us the information we need to return your passport after your interview. Registration is free. Click the **Register** button below to register.

If you want to cancel or reschedule your appointment, you can do that after you register your appointment.

Register

Step 2: Get a medical exam in the Kyrgyz Republic

As soon as you receive your appointment date, you must schedule a medical exam in the Kyrgyz Republic. Click the **Medical Exam Instructions** button that follows for a list of designated doctors' offices in the Kyrgyz Republic. Make sure you schedule and attend a medical exam with one of the doctors on the list *before* your interview.

Medical Exam Instructions

Step 2: Complete your pre-interview checklist

It is important that you bring all required original documents to your interview. We created a checklist that will tell you what to bring. Print the checklist, fill it out, and bring it to your interview with the required documents.

Pre-Interview Checklist

Step 3: Review interview guidelines

Read our interview guidelines to learn about special actions you must take *before* your visa interview.

Interview Guidelines

Contact information

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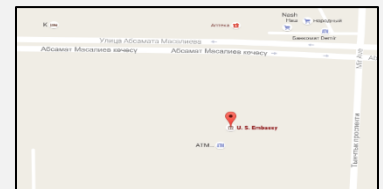
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Map:



Other links

- [Diversity visa instructions](#)
- [After your interview](#)
- [Frequently asked questions](#)
- [Kyrgyzstan Document Finder](#)

Social media



Interview Preparation Video



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Medical Exam Instructions

All immigrant visa applicants, no matter their age, must have a medical examination before a visa is issued.

- Only a physician accredited by the U.S. Embassy can perform the exam.
- ***It is your responsibility to schedule a medical exam with one of the doctors on the list before your visa interview at the U.S. Embassy.***
- **Note:** Medical examinations from other physicians ***are not accepted***.

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Items to bring to your medical examination

The doctor needs these items to complete the medical exam forms:

- Your visa interview letter
- Your passport
- Five (5) photograph (3 cm x 4 cm)
- A copy of your immunization records
- DS-260 confirmation page

Pay all medical examination fees, including x-ray and blood test fees, directly to the examining physician.

- The basic fee for the medical exam is \$250.00 (U.S. dollars) for adults and \$200.00 (U.S. dollars) for children under 15.
- Vaccinations and follow-up tests may require more fees.

During the medical exam

The medical examination includes:

- Medical history review
- Physical examination
- Chest X-ray
- Gonorrhea testing
- Blood tests (for applicants aged 15 years and older)
- The United States requires tuberculosis (TB) testing for all applicants aged two years and older.
- Be prepared to discuss your medical history, the medications you take, and current treatments.

You can find more information about general medical requirements for U.S. immigrants on the [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention \(CDC\)](https://www.cdc.gov) website.

Important: U.S. immigration law requires that visa applicants get certain vaccinations before a visa will be issued.

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Medical Exam Instructions



- Vaccination requirements are available on the [Center for Disease Control \(CDC\)](#) website.
- You can also read [Frequently Asked Questions](#) about our medical examination requirements online.

After the medical exam

When your examination is finished, the doctor will send them directly to the U.S. Embassy.

Any x-rays taken will be given to you. You **DO NOT** need to bring them to your interview *unless you suffer from tuberculosis (TB)*.

- However, you **must** carry the x-rays with you when you travel to the United States for the first time.

Important: *The medical report must be **less than six months old** when you enter the United States as an immigrant.*

Pre-Interview Checklist ☒



Use the checklist that follows to find the items *every applicant* must bring to the immigrant visa interview:

- ☐ A copy of your NVC interview letter (This does not apply to Diversity Visa, fiancé(e), adoptive, or asylee/refugee applicants).
- ☐ Unexpired passport valid for six months after the date you plan to enter the United States **and** a photocopy of the biographic page (where your name and photo are located).
- ☐ Two (2) color passport-size photographs of everyone applying for a visa (5 cm x 5 cm, or 2 inch x 2 inch, against a white background). Please review our [online photo requirements](#).
- ☐ Confirmation page from the **Form DS-260 Application** for the Immigrant Visa you submitted online at ceac.state.gov/iv.
- ☐ Registration of your passport delivery from ais.usvisa-info.com.
- ☐ Your **original** birth certificate **and**
 1. A notarized English translation
 2. A photocopy
- ☐ If you have ever changed your first or last name:
 1. Name change certificate original document **and**
 2. A photocopy
- ☐ Medical examination results: The doctor will send them directly to the U.S. Embassy.

Applicants who are in any category in italics below must bring the additional listed documents:

For family-based visa applications:

- ☐ The proper [Form I-864 Affidavit of Support](#) for **each** financial sponsor **and**
 1. A photocopy of the sponsor's IRS transcript or most recent U.S. federal income tax return **and**
 2. All related IRS W-2 forms.
- ☐ Proof of your U.S. petitioner's status and [domicile](#) (where they live) in the United States. For example, a photocopy of a passport, naturalization certificate, or lawful permanent resident card.
- ☐ Evidence of the relationship between the petitioner and visa applicant. (Such as photos, letters, emails, chat printouts, money transfer receipts.) Your evidence must start from the beginning of your relationship and continue to the present.
 1. **Important:** For **parents of U.S. citizens** – bring the petitioner's original birth certificate
 2. If you are applying for a **spouse or fiancé visa**, bring evidence to show your relationship with the petitioner (such as photos, letters, emails, chat printouts, money transfer receipts). Your evidence must start from the beginning of your relationship and continue to the present.
- ☐ ***If you are married:*** Your **original marriage certificate and**
 1. A notarized English translation **and**
 2. A photocopy

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Pre-Interview Checklist ☒



☐ ***If you were previously married:***

1. Your **original** divorce or spouse's death certificate **and**
2. A notarized English translation **and**
3. A photocopy.

☐ ***If you are older than 16 years of age:*** An **original** police certificate from:

1. The country where you live now **and**
2. Every country where you lived before

Note: The police certificate **must include all current and past legal names.**

If these three items **are all true**, you **must bring a more recent police certificate** to the interview:

1. You are older than 16 years.
2. You submitted your police certificate to NVC more than two years ago.
3. You still live in the country that issued the police certificate.

☐ ***For employment-based visa applications:*** Letter from your U.S. employer dated less than one month ago.

☐ ***If you have ever been convicted of a crime:***

1. Court and criminal records **and**
2. A notarized English translation **and**
3. A photocopy

☐ ***If you have served in any country's military:***

1. Military records **and**
2. Notarized English translations **and**
3. Photocopies.

☐ ***If you are adopted:***

1. Adoption papers or custody documents **and**
2. Notarized English translations **and**
3. Photocopies

☐ ***If you are the petitioner's stepchild:***

1. The **original** marriage certificate of the petitioner and your biological parent **and**
2. Notarized English translations **and**
3. Photocopies **and**
4. Divorce records for all previous marriages of either parent

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Sending documents to the U.S. Embassy in Bishkek

You must bring all required original documents plus copies to the Embassy on the day of your interview.

If the U.S. Embassy requests additional information or documentation from you during your interview, you must submit those documents by courier:

1. Log into [your account](#) and select **Consular Section instructed me to send additional documents**.
2. Attach the Courier-In Authorization certificate to your documents.

For electronic cases:

1. In your NVC account, scan and upload every required document (or updated document) that you have not uploaded yet.
2. Log into your account in: <http://ceac.state.gov/iv> and
3. Click on **Documents**

Note: Bring the **originals** to the Consular Section at the time of your interview.

Rescheduling or cancelling your interview

If you cannot attend your appointment, email BishkekIV@state.gov as soon as possible. Include:

1. Your full name
2. Case number
3. Date of birth
4. Reason for delay
5. Suggested time period when you are available for an appointment

There may be a long wait before the next available appointment. So, please try to attend the date you were assigned.

- For some family-based and employment preference visa categories, a visa became available within the month you are scheduled by NVC.
- DV applicants should be aware that the number of visas is limited and must be issued by September 30 of the program year.
- **There is no guarantee that a visa will still be available on the date of your rescheduled interview.** Please carefully consult the [Visa Bulletin](#) before you ask to reschedule your interview.

Note: You need to register your original NVC or KCC appointment online (see [Step 1](#)) before you can reschedule it. Rescheduling is only possible on a date after your assigned appointment.

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Interview Guidelines



Arrival at the embassy and security screening procedures

All visitors to the U.S. Embassy in Bishkek **must follow security procedures**. Visitors who refuse to be screened by U.S. Embassy security personnel **cannot** enter the embassy.

To avoid delaying your entry and those in line behind you, **bring only what is required** for your interview. **Note:** Phones, tablets, computers, and other electronic devices **are not allowed** inside the Embassy.

1. Please arrive at the embassy no more than 10 minutes before your appointment.
2. When you arrive, go to the consular entrance on the north side of the embassy.
3. Show your appointment letter and passport to the security guard.
4. After you go through security, take a Q-system ticket. Then, take a seat to wait for your number to be called. Seating is limited.

Accompanying persons

Attorneys **cannot** accompany clients into the waiting room or to their interview.

These people may accompany a visa applicant to their interview:

- Interpreter: Applicants who do not speak English, Kyrgyz, or Russian well enough to participate in an interview may bring **ONE** interpreter.
- Special Needs Visitors: Applicants may bring **ONE** person to help if they are elderly, disabled, or a minor child.

Immigrant visa fees

If you have not paid all required fees to the National Visa Center, be prepared to pay them on the day of your interview.

- All fees must be paid in U.S. dollars or the Kyrgyz som equivalent.
- We accept cash only and cannot accept mixed payments, partially in som and partially in dollars.
- If you choose to pay in U.S. dollars, we cannot accept marked, torn, or damaged currency.

Please note that if you are found ineligible to receive a visa, the application fee cannot be refunded. You can find a complete list of fees on our [Fees for Visa Services webpage](#).

Do not make travel plans outside of the Kyrgyz Republic

If your visa is approved, we will keep your passport at the embassy while we prepare your immigration packet and print a visa for your passport. We will usually return your passport and immigration packet within one week through our visa delivery service.

- You should never pay for travel arrangements **before you receive a visa**.
- If you have to travel within the Kyrgyz Republic while your passport is still with us, make sure you have a valid picture ID other than your passport.



After Your Visa Interview

A consular officer can make a decision on a visa application only after reviewing the formal application and interviewing the applicant.

- ***There is no guarantee that you will receive a visa.***

- Do not sell your house, car or property, resign from your job or make non-refundable flight or other travel arrangements **until you receive** your immigrant visa.

If more information is needed

Sometimes a consular officer cannot make a decision on a visa application because he or she needs to review additional documents or the case requires more administrative processing.

When additional documents are requested, the consular officer will give you a refusal letter that asks you to submit additional documents. The letter will include instructions about sending those documents to the embassy.

Administrative processing takes **additional time** after the interview. Most administrative processing is resolved within 60 days. However, the timing is different based on the circumstances of each case. Before you inquire about the status of administrative processing, please wait **at least** 60 days after your interview.

What happens after visa approval

Passport, Visa, and Sealed Immigrant Packet: We will place your immigrant visa on a page in your passport. Please **review it** to make sure there are no spelling errors.

We will also give you a sealed envelope containing documents you must give to U.S. immigration authorities when you arrive in the United States for the first time.

- ***DO NOT OPEN this envelope.*** You must carry it with you. Do not put it in your checked ***luggage***.

- If you receive X-rays during your medical examination, carry them with you and give them to the U.S. immigration authorities.

USCIS Immigrant Fee: All those issued immigrant visas overseas must **pay an [Immigrant Fee](#)** to U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) ***before they travel*** to the United States.

- This fee is for processing your residency status and printing your Permanent Resident Card.

- The only people who do not have to pay this fee are children entering the United States under the Hague Process, returning residents, and people traveling on a K visa.

When You Should Travel: You must enter the United States ***before the expiration date on your visa***. The expiration date is usually **six months** from the date it is printed.

- Your visa cannot be extended and all fees are nonrefundable.

- The principal applicant must enter **before or at the same time** as other family members with visas.

- Unless they are eligible for benefits under the Child Status Protection Act (CSPA), children who are issued a visa before they turn 21 years old, must enter the United States ***before*** their 21st birthday or they will **lose their immigrant status**.

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Getting a Green Card – Your **Form I-551 Permanent Resident Card**, also known as a green card, will be automatically mailed to the address in the United States that you wrote in your visa application form.

This is a very important document that proves you have permission to live in the United States.

- *Do not travel outside of the United States until you receive your Permanent Resident Card.*
- *Once your card is issued, **do not stay outside** of the United States for **more than one year**. If you do, you will lose your status as a Lawful Permanent Resident.*

Children's Issues: In the United States, children must have certain vaccinations before they can enroll in school.

- Bring your child's complete vaccination records with you to the United States.
- If your child is adopted, you have full custody as a result of a divorce, or you share custody with another parent, bring a copy of all related adoption or custody papers from the court with authority in your home country.
- You will need these papers (translated into English) for things like school enrollment, medical care, and eventual citizenship.

Information for New Immigrants: Please visit the USCIS web page for helpful information about moving to the United States. You can read their publication, "[Welcome to the United States: A Guide for New Immigrants](#)" online.

Diversity Visa Applicants – Additional Information



If you are interviewing for a Diversity Visa (DV), **all of the above instructions apply** to you. Please schedule and attend a medical examination before your visa interview and gather the required documents.

*These are additional instructions that apply **only** to DV applicants:*

Bring to your interview

In addition to the documents listed on the Pre-Interview Checklist in this package, as a DV applicant, you must also bring these items to your visa interview:

- ☐ Appointment information printed from the **Entrant Status Check** on the [E-DV website](#)
- ☐ Documents showing that you have either a qualifying high school education **OR** have two years of qualifying work experience during the last **five years immediately before your application**. Bring photocopies of them. (This only applies to the principal applicant.) More information is available [online](#)
- ☐ Payment in cash of the \$330 Diversity Visa Application Fee **for each applicant**.

Review your DV Lottery entry

Before your visa interview, review the information on your initial E-DV entry.

- Your marital status must be correct.
- If you are legally married, your spouse must be listed, even if you are now separated from him or her (unless your spouse is a U.S. citizen or Lawful Permanent Resident).
- You must have listed ALL of your living children who are unmarried and under 21 years old. This includes your natural children, your spouse's children, or children you have formally adopted under the laws of your country.

If you did not list an existing spouse or children when you entered the Diversity Visa lottery, your visa and the visas for your family will be denied.

- All fees paid to the U.S. government in support of your visa application(s) are nonrefundable.
- If you failed to include a child who had already been born, or a spouse to whom you were married when you entered the lottery, **do not proceed** with the visa application.
- You can review the eligibility requirements on our [Diversity Visa Process webpage](#).