

Please follow the steps below <u>before</u> your immigrant visa interview at the U.S. Embassy in Stockholm, Sweden. Please note that interviews for applicants residing in Sweden, Denmark and Norway are conducted in Stockholm.

Step 1: Register your appointment online

Before the interview, residents of Denmark, Norway and Sweden must register their appointment online. Registration is free. Click the "Register" button below to register.

Register

Step 2: Get a medical exam in Sweden, Denmark or Norway

As soon as you receive your appointment date, you must schedule a medical exam in Sweden, Denmark or Norway. Click the "Medical Exam Instructions" button below for a list of designated doctors' offices in Sweden, Denmark or Norway. Please schedule and attend a medical exam with one of these doctors before your interview.

Medical Exam Instructions

Step 3: Complete your pre-interview checklist

It is important that you bring all required original documents to your interview. We've created a checklist that will tell you what to bring. Please print the checklist below and bring it to your interview along with the listed documents.

Pre-Interview Checklist

Step 4: Review interview guidelines

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

Interview Guidelines

Contact information

U.S. Embassy Dag Hammarskjölds Väg 31 115 89 Stockholm Sweden

Imail: Support-Sweden@usatraveldocs.com

- Website: <u>U,S .Embassy Stockholm</u>
- Cancel and Reschedule: <u>stkivinfo@state.gov</u>
- Map:



Other links

- Diversity visa instructions
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- <u>Frequently asked questions</u>
- Where to find civil documents

Social media



Interview Preparation Video



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Medical Exam Instructions

All immigrant visa applicants, regardless of age, require a medical examination prior to the issuance of a visa. Only a physician accredited by the U.S. Embassy can perform this exam. It is your responsibility to schedule a medical exam with one of the doctors listed below before your visa interview at the U.S. Embassy. Medical examination results from other physicians will not be accepted. Please instruct the physician to forward your exam results directly to the U.S. Embassy in Stockholm.

IMPORTANT: Our designated panel physicians in Denmark and Norway can also perform the medical examination for residents of Sweden.

Approved physicians

DENMARK

Dr. Mette Gabriel, Dr. Marianne Ankerstjerne Rothaus, Dr. Ulla Marslew Medical Office – Lægekontoret Amaliegade 33 1256 Copenhagen K Tel: 33 48 92 63 or 33 48 92 67 Phone hours: 09.00-14.00, Monday - Friday Email: info@medicaloffice.dk Website: www.medicaloffice.dk

SWEDEN - STOCKHOLM

Dr. Ron Liebkind, Dr. Jonas Lofors

Sibyllekliniken Östermalm

Karlavägen 56

114 49 Stockholm

Email: <u>Visumintyg@sibyllekliniken.se</u> (preferred way to schedule medical appointment)

Phone number: 0774-440 304

Phone hours: 08.00-17.00, Monday – Friday

Website: <u>https://meliva.se/meliva-vardcentral-</u> sibyllekliniken/



Sibyllekliniken in Stockholm can only conduct the medical examination for regular immigrant visa applicants. K1,

fiancé(e) and DV, diversity visa applicants will need to book a medical appointment with our other panel physicians in consular district.

SWEDEN - GOTHENBURG

Dr. Karl Gardfeldt Vasakliniken Vasagatan 46 411 37 Gothenburg Tel: 031100220 Phone hours: 08.30-16.00, Monday – Friday The medical examination should be scheduled via the Website: <u>https://www.vasakliniken.se/omraden/intyg-visum-usa/</u> Email: <u>visum@vasakliniken.com</u>

NORWAY

Dr. Hans-Jørgen Jørgensen, Dr. Joachim Gilbo Oslo Akutten Rosenkrantzgate 9 Tel: 22 00 81 60 Fax: 22 00 81 72 Email: post@osloakutten.no

Items to bring to your medical examination

Any medical examination fees, including x-ray and blood test fees, must be paid directly to the examining physician. The doctor will need the following items to complete the medical exam forms:

- Your visa interview letter,
- Your passport,
- Three(3) recently taken passport-sized color photograph (if requested by the clinic)
- A copy of your immunization records.
- DS-260 Confirmation Page (does not apply to K1 visa applicants)







During the medical exam

The medical examination will include a medical history review, physical examination, and chest X-ray, gonorrhea test, and blood tests (for applicants 15 years of age or older). Depending on where you apply, the United States may also require tuberculosis (TB) testing for all applicants two years of age and older - TB testing is not required if you apply from Denmark, Norway or Sweden. Please be prepared to discuss your medical history, medications you are taking, and any treatments you are undergoing. You must also disclose any previous DUI related incidents. Information on general medical requirements for U.S. immigrants is available on <u>Centers for Disease Control and Prevention</u> website. U.S. law requires immigrant visa applicants to obtain certain vaccinations prior to the issuance of a visa. Current vaccination requirements are available on <u>CDC's website</u>. You can also read Frequently Asked Questions about medical exams at <u>Travel.State.Gov</u>.

After the medical exam

When your examination is completed, the doctor will send your exam results directly to the U.S. Embassy. IF GIVEN AN ENVELOPE TO CARRY TO YOUR INTERVIEW, **DO NOT OPEN THIS ENVELOPE**. Instead, bring it to your visa interview.

If you apply for a K-1, Fiancé(e) or DV, Diversity visa, the x-rays will be given to you. You DO NOT need to bring the x-rays to your visa 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. The medical report must be less than six months old when you enter the United States as an immigrant.



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he list below to determine the items that every applicant must bring to the immigrant visa interview: f your NVC interview letter (does not apply to Diversity Visa, fiancé(e), adoptive, or asylee/refugee applicants). ed passport valid for six (6) months beyond your intended date of entry to the United States <u>and</u> a photocopy of the lic page (where your name and photo are located). color photographs of each person applying for a visa (5 cm x 5 cm, or 2 inch x 2 inch). Please review our <u>online</u> <u>quirements</u> . You will need additional photos for your medical examination. ation page from the Form DS-260 Application for an Immigrant Visa you submitted online at <u>ceac.state.gov/iv</u> . <i>lents of Sweden only:</i> Appointment confirmation page from <u>Step 1</u> . Please also bring waybill per listed instructions. ginal birth certificate from your country of birth, English translation, <u>and</u> a photocopy. or certified copies of birth certificates for all children of the principal applicant (<i>even if he or she is not</i> <i>unying</i>). who fall into any category listed in italics below should bring these additional documents: assed visa applications: appropriate Form I-864 Affidavit of Support for each financial sponsor along with a photocopy of the sponsor's IRS script or most recent U.S. federal income tax return, and any relevant W-2s. of of your U.S. petitioner's status and <u>domicile</u> in the United States (photocopy of a U.S. passport, naturalization ficate, or lawful permanent resident card).
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ere previously married: Your original divorce or spouse's death certificate, English translation, <u>and</u> a photocopy. If ion is based on marriage to petitioner, you will also need to present any original divorce decree(s) of the petitioner
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You are older than 16 years;
You obtained a police certificate more than two years ago; and
You still live in the country that issued the police certificate.
loyment-based visa applications: Letter from your U.S. employer dated less than one month ago.
ve ever been convicted of a crime: Court and criminal records, English translation, and a photocopy.
ve served in any country's military: Military records, English translation, and a photocopy.
e adopted: Adoption papers or custody documents, English translation, and a photocopy.
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Residents of Sweden: If asked to submit additional documents, you will need to send them directly to the U.S. Embassy via mail/courier.

Rescheduling or cancelling your interview

If you are unable to attend your appointment, please email <u>stkivinfo@state.gov</u> to cancel your appointment. If you need to reschedule your appointment, please register an account with our customer service

provider: <u>https://www.ustraveldocs.com/se/se-iv-visaapplyinfo.asp</u>. Please note that you can only select a new appointment date after the date of your NVC scheduled interview has passed. **There may be a significant wait before the next available appointment,** so please attempt to attend the date already assigned. For some family-based and employment preference visa categories, a visa became available within the month you have been scheduled by NVC. DV applicants should be aware that visas are numerically 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 <u>Visa Bulletin</u> before you decide to reschedule your interview. **Please note:** *You need to register your original NVC/KCC appointment online before you can reschedule it. Rescheduling is only possible on a date <u>after</u> your assigned appointment.*

Security screening procedures and arrival at the embassy

All visitors to the U.S. Embassy must follow certain security procedures. Any visitor who declines to be screened by U.S. Embassy security personnel will be unable to enter the embassy. To avoid delaying your entry and that of those in line behind you, please bring only what is required for your interview. There are no storage facilities at the embassy for items other than cellphones, which may be stored in lockers at the embassy's entrance. There are storage facilities at the main bus/train station in Stockholm (Centralstationen) or at the airport. Once you arrive at the embassy, please stand in the line for U.S. Citizens/Immigrant Visa Applicants. Once you pass through security, please proceed directly to window #7 in the consular waiting room.

Accompanying persons

Attorneys are **not** permitted to accompany clients into the waiting room or to their interview. Only the following persons may accompany a visa applicant to their interview:

- You may bring ONE interpreter if you do not speak English well enough to participate in an interview. Please email <u>stkivinfo@state.gov</u> before the interview with the interpreter's name. *Petitioners may not serve as interpreters*.
- You may bring ONE person to help if you are elderly, disabled, or a minor child.

Immigrant visa fees

If you have not paid all required fees to either the National Visa Center or via the appointment website, please be prepared to pay these fees on the day of your interview. We only accept credit cards. *Please note that if you are found ineligible to receive a visa, the application fee cannot be refunded.* A complete list of fees can be found at <u>Travel.state.gov</u>.





Do not make travel plans outside of consular district

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 return your passport to you later via courier services only. Residents of Denmark and Norway should check with their border control to confirm they can re-enter the country by showing ID other than a passport. If you need your passport back the same day as your interview, you will need to return the passport to our office later in order for us to finalize your application.

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 have received your immigrant visa.

If more information is needed

Sometimes a consular officer is unable to make a decision on a visa application because he/she needs to review additional documents or the case requires further 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 on how to send those documents to the Embassy.

Administrative processing takes additional time after the interview. Most administrative processing is resolved within 60 days. However, the timing varies based on the circumstances of each case. Before inquiring 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 your visa to make sure there are no spelling errors. We will also give you a sealed envelope containing documents that 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 those with you and give them to the U.S. immigration authorities. *Note: If you have received an immigrant visa endorsed with a "IV Docs in CCD" annotation, which means your immigrant visa was issued under the Modernized Immigrant Visa (MIV) program, you will not receive a sealed package of documents. Documents previously hands carried by the immigrant are now automatically forwarded to the DHS official at the port of entry.*

USCIS Immigrant Fee – All individuals who are issued immigrant visas overseas must **pay an <u>Immigrant Fee</u>** to U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) *prior to traveling* to the United States. This fee is for processing your residency status and printing your Permanent Resident Card. The only people exempt from paying 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, which is usually six months from the date of printing. 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. Children who turn 21 years old *after* visa issuance must enter the United States before they turn 21 years old; otherwise they will lose their immigrant status.

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 write in your visa application form. This is a very important document that proves you have permission to reside in the United States. *Do not travel outside of the United States until you receive your Permanent Resident Card. Once your card is issued, you should 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.*

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After Your Visa Interview



Children's Issues – Children are required to have certain vaccinations before they can enroll in school in the United States. Therefore, we recommend that you bring your child's complete vaccination records with you to the United States. Additionally, if your child is adopted, you have full custody as a result of a divorce, or you share custody with the child's other parent, we recommend that you bring a copy of all applicable adoption or custodial papers from the authoritative court in your home country. You will likely need these papers (translated into English) in the United States for issues such as school enrollment, medical care, and eventual citizenship.

Information for New Immigrants – Please visit the USCIS web page for helpful information on moving to the United States. You can read their publication "<u>Welcome to the United States: A Guide for New Immigrants</u>" 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 prior to your visa interview; enroll in the required courier service; and gather the required documents.

Below 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, DV applicants should also bring the following items to your visa interview:

	Appointment information	printed from the	"Entrant Status	Check" on th	e <u>E-DV</u>	website.
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Documents showing that you have either a qualifying high school education **OR** have two years of qualifying work experience in the last five years immediately prior to application (for the principal applicant only; more information is available at <u>Travel.state.gov</u>).

Payment in cash of the \$330 Diversity Visa Application Fee.

IMPORTANT: DV applicants are <u>not</u> required to submit an Affidavit of Support form to the consular officer during their interview. However, during the interview an applicant for a diversity visa must establish to the satisfaction of the consular officer that he or she is not likely at any time to become a public charge. If the applicant doesn't have any assets or a job offer in the United States, he/she may find a financial sponsor in the United States. That sponsor should complete Form I-134 and mail to the DV applicant the original signed form, a copy of his/her U.S. federal tax returns for the most recent tax year, and proof of current U.S. income. The DV applicant should bring those items to the visa interview. You can find Form I-134 online at <u>uscis.gov</u>.

Review your DV Lottery entry

Prior to your visa interview, we recommend that you review the data on your initial E-DV entry. On your initial E-DV application, you must have correctly entered your marital status. If you are legally married you must have listed your spouse, even if you are currently separated from him/her (unless your spouse is a U.S. citizen or Lawful Permanent Resident).

Additionally, 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 in accordance with the laws of your country.

Failure to have listed an existing spouse or children at the time of your entry in the Diversity Visa lottery will result in the denial of your visa and visas for your family. Any 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, you should not proceed with the visa application. You can review the eligibility requirements at <u>Travel.state.gov</u>.