



U.S. Embassy

Tbilisi, Georgia

Please follow the steps below *before* your immigrant visa interview at the U.S. Embassy in Tbilisi, Georgia. Please note that immigrant visa interviews for residents of both Georgia and Azerbaijan are held at the U.S. Embassy in Tbilisi.

Step 1: Register your appointment online

You need to register your appointment online. Registering your appointment provides us with the information we need to return your passport to you after your interview. Registration is free. Click the “Register” button below to register.

If you want to cancel or reschedule your appointment, you will be able to do so after you register your appointment.

[Register](#)

Step 2: Get a medical exam in Georgia

As soon as you receive your appointment date, you must schedule a medical exam in Georgia or Azerbaijan. Click the “Medical Exam Instructions” button below for a list of designated doctors’ offices in Georgia or Azerbaijan. 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

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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.

Approved physicians

Tbilisi

MCG Cito

#40, Paliashvili St., Vake District, Tbilisi

Tel. (995 32) 2-25-19-48 / 51

Fax: (995 32) 2-25-19-52

E-mail: gogilo@caucasus.net or sopop@caucasus.net

Cost of medical examination: USD 220 minimum for persons over age 15; USD 200 minimum for persons under age 2-14. USD 130 minimum under age 2; Cost per vaccination ranges from \$20 to \$41. Georgian Lari, U.S. Dollars, MasterCard and UFC cards are accepted.

Baku

Prospekt Medical Azerbaijan

29C Yeryomenko Street Baku, AZ 1025 Azerbaijan,

Tel: (994 12) 489-54 71

Fax: (994 12) 489-54 70

E-mail: BAKmarketing@internationalsos.com

Cost of basic medical examination: For adult- USD 65.00 For child- USD 55.00 (under age 14). This does not include vaccination fees, laboratory tests, x-ray and radiology consult, VAT or other applicable taxes.

Items to bring to your medical examination

The doctor will need the following items to complete the medical exam forms:

- Your visa interview appointment letter
- Your passport
- Four (4) recently taken passport-sized [color photographs](#) (2x2 inches or 5x5 cm)
- All vaccination records
- DS-260 Confirmation Page

Any medical examination fees, including x-ray and blood test fees, must be paid directly to the examining physician.

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). The United States also requires tuberculosis (TB) testing for all applicants two years of age and older. Please be prepared to discuss your medical history, medications you are taking, and current treatments you are undergoing. More information on medical requirements for U.S. immigrants is on [the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's website](#).

U.S. immigration law requires immigrant visa applicants to obtain certain vaccinations prior to the issuance of a visa. Current immigrant visa vaccination requirements are available on [CDC's website](#). You can also read Frequently Asked Questions about our medical examination requirements on [Travel.State.Gov](#).

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After the medical exam

When your examination is completed, the doctor will either provide you with exam results in a sealed envelope or send them 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.

Any x-rays taken 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.

Pre-Interview Checklist



Please use the list below to determine the items that every applicant must bring to the immigrant visa interview. Any documents that are not in either English or Georgian must be accompanied by a certified English translation:

- A copy of your NVC interview letter (does not apply to Diversity Visa, fiancé(e), adoptive, or asylee/refugee applicants).
- Your unexpired passport valid for six months beyond your intended date of entry to the United States and a photocopy of the biographic page of your passport (where your name and photo are located).
- Two (2) color passport-size photographs of each person applying for a visa (5 x 5 cm, or 2 x 2 in). Please review our [online photo requirements](#).
- The confirmation page from the Form DS-260 Application for an Immigrant Visa you submitted online at ceac.state.gov/iv.
- Your **original** birth certificate, English translation of the birth certificate, and a photocopy of the birth certificate. We will not accept Georgian birth certificates for applicants not born in Georgia.
- Original** or **certified copies** of birth certificates for all children of the principal applicant (*even if he or she is not accompanying*).

Applicants who fall into any category listed in italics below should bring (Upload) these additional documents:

For family-based visa applications:

- The appropriate [Form I-864 Affidavit of Support](#) for **each** financial sponsor with a photocopy of the sponsor's IRS transcript or most recent U.S. federal income tax return, and any relevant W-2s. (This is required only if it is not uploaded in the system)
- Proof of your U.S. petitioner's status and [domicile](#) in the United States (photocopy of a U.S. passport, naturalization certificate, or lawful permanent resident card).
- Evidence of the relationship between the petitioner and visa applicant (such as photographs, letters, or emails).

If you are older than 18 years of age, present either:

- Your **original** certificate of non-impediment to marriage, English translation, and a photocopy; **OR**
- Your **original** marriage certificate, English translation, and a photocopy.
- If you were previously married:* Your **original** divorce or spouse's death certificate, English translation, and a photocopy.
- If you are older than 16 years of age:* An **original** police certificate, including **maiden names and former married names**, from your country of current residence and countries of previous residence. Police certificates from Georgia need to be obtained at the Service Agency of the Ministry of Internal Affairs, in Tbilisi at P. Kavtaradze street 21. In the regions, they can be obtained at the structural units of the Service Agency. Please note that two separate Police certificates from Georgia (issued by the Service Agency) need to be submitted for IV purposes including current and expunged convictions. 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 obtained a police certificate more than one year ago; and
 3. You still live in the country that issued the police certificate.

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- For employment-based visa applications:* A letter from your U.S. employer dated less than one month ago.
- If you have ever been convicted of a crime:* Court and criminal records, English translation, and a photocopy. **You must present court records even if you were pardoned or granted amnesty, or the criminal conviction is expunged.**
- If you are older than 18 years of age:* Military records, English translation, and a photocopy.
- If you are adopted:* Adoption papers or custody documents, English translation, and a photocopy.
- If you are the petitioner's stepchild:* The **original** marriage certificate of the petitioner and your biological parent, English translation, and a photocopy along with divorce records for any previous marriages of either parent.

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Translation requirements

All documents that are not in English must be accompanied by a certified translation into English. The translation must include a statement signed by the translator that states the translation is accurate, and the translator is competent to translate. This must be sworn before a Notary Public.

Sending documents to the U.S. Embassy

If the Embassy requested additional information or documentation from you, you must submit those documents at a FedEx [office](#). [This web page](#) explains how to submit your documents for delivery to the embassy.

Rescheduling or cancelling your interview

If you are unable to attend your appointment, please visit ustraveldocs.com to schedule a new appointment. **There may be a significant wait before the next available appointment.** For some family-based and employment preference visa categories, a visa became available within the month you have been scheduled. **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 decide to reschedule your interview. *Rescheduling is only possible on a date after your assigned appointment.*

Security screening procedures

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.

Accompanying persons

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

- Interpreter: Applicants may bring ONE interpreter if they do not speak English or Georgian well enough to participate in an interview.
- 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 either the National Visa Center or via the appointment website, please be prepared to pay these fees on the day of your interview. The payment can be made either in cash or by card, in U.S. Dollars or Georgian Lari, unless you are a fiancé (K) visa applicant. Fiancé visa applicants are required to pay prior to scheduling and appearing for their interview. Please visit www.ustraveldocs.com to obtain the forms required to pay the fee at the Bank of Georgia. *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 [here](#).

Interview Guidelines



Do not make travel plans outside of Georgia

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. If you have to travel within Georgia while your passport is still with us, please make sure you have a valid picture ID other than your passport.

For applicants from Azerbaijan: Please note, we will try to print your immigrant visa by the Friday afternoon of the week of your visa interview if your visa is approved. Please consider making flexible travel arrangements that allow you to stay in Georgia until the weekend.

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, but it can take 180 days or longer for some cases. 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.

USCIS Immigrant Fee – All individuals who are issued immigrant visas overseas must pay an **[Immigrant Fee](#)** 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 and within six months of your medical examination. 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.**

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.***

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 after 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.

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After Your Visa Interview



Information for New Immigrants – Please visit the USCIS web page for helpful information on 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 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.

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 [online](#).

*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:

- 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 [online](#)).
 - If you completed your secondary education in Georgia, your high school diploma must be verified by the [National Center for Educational Quality Enhancement of Georgia](#). To request the verification of your educational document(s) please go to the website [my.gov.ge](#) and select “Confirmation of the Authenticity of Educational Documents”. In the “request data” box ,please select all boxes.
 - If you completed your secondary education in Azerbaijan, your high school diploma must be verified by the [Agency for Quality Assurance in Education | TKTA](#). In order to request the verification of your educational document(s) you must contact TKTA and submit a written and signed letter of request (“Ərizə”) accompanied by a copy of your national ID. You can submit your request in paper or by emailing them at [info@tkta.edu.az](#).

- Payment of the \$330 Diversity Visa Application Fee may be made either in cash or by card at the embassy.

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

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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 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.