## **13. FAMILY UNIFICITION VISA APPLICATION PROCEDURE**

A citizen of a foreign country, who is married a Turkish citizen and would like to stay more than 90 days, may apply for a family unification visa.

### **Application Method**:

- 1. Assemble the required documents listed below.
- 2. Start an online application on <u>www.visa.gov.tr</u> and upload the documents when prompted.
- 3. Print out the application form. (*Requirement #2*)
- 4. After submitting the application successfully, schedule an appointment for the interview.

# Applicants are required to bring hard copies of the documents on the day of the interview as well.

#### **Required documents:**

- 1. National passport or official travel document and copy of your passport
  - a) Six-month validity for your intended stay.
  - b) with a blank page to affix the visa.
- 2. The application form
- 3. One recent passport photo size (2" x 2")
- 4. Turkish marriage certificate
  - If the marriage is not registered in Turkish records yet, your spouse is required to make an appointment on <u>www.konsolosluk.gov.tr</u> and apply for marriage registration first.
- 5. Copy of spouse's Turkish ID
- 6. Proof of travel health/accident insurance, valid through duration of stay, including:
  - a) minimum coverage of 30,000 Euros or equivalent USD
  - b) transfer of the patient to nearest healthcare facility or residency address after discharge and transfer of body in case of death,
- 7. Non-refundable visa fee
  - Visa fees can only be paid in cash or as money order payable to Turkish Consulate General in LA. Debit, credit and personal checks are not accepted.
    Single/Multiple entry visa fee: please email the Consulate: consulate.losangeles@mfa.gov.tr
- 8. Most recent bank statement (min \$5000 balance)

#### **Optional:**

9. A pre-paid envelope (USPS mail carrier)

(Turkish Consulate General in LA is not responsible for any delivery issues)

#### **Important notes:**

- Your family unification visa will have 90-day stay only. You must visit <u>https://e-ikamet.goc.gov.tr</u> to submit a residence permit which will allow you to stay beyond 90-day period.
- In individual cases, you may be required to provide additional documents.
- Please do not finalize your travel arrangements until you are notified about the outcome of your visa application.
- It is strongly advised for applicants to apply at least three months prior to their intended trip.