

17. APPLICATION FOR LIFTING A TRAVEL BAN

A citizen of a foreign country, who has a travel ban to Türkiye may be eligible to apply for that travel ban to be lifted in case of an immediate travel need.

Application Method:

1. Assemble the required documents listed below.
2. Start an online application on www.visa.gov.tr 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")
3. Original and the copy of your green card or your valid US visa. (*for NON-US applicants only*)
 - If you do not hold either a green card or a valid US visa, you must bring documentation of your residence in the US.
 - B1/B2 visa holders can only apply at their country of residence.
4. 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,
5. Non-refundable visa fee
 - Visa fee can only be paid in cash or money order payable to the 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
6. Hotel and flight reservations (***These reservations do not need to be purchased yet***)
 - a) A notarized invitation letter is required if you are going to be hosted.
7. Most recent bank account statement. (min \$5000 balance)
8. A petition written and signed by the applicant, stating the reason of overstay/ban along with the purpose of the intended trip
9. A pre-paid envelope (USPS mail carrier) if you would like your visa-issued passport to be returned by mail. (***Turkish Consulate General in LA is not responsible for any delivery issues and the receipt of payment for shipping is required***)

Important notes:

- 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 since processing the application may take up to 4 weeks.
- Turkish Consulate in Los Angeles cannot expedite a visa application.