



Consulate General of Italy
Sydney

Long stay National Visa ELECTIVE RESIDENCY VISA

Agg: 15/09/25

MANDATORY DOCUMENTS

- Printed and completed visa application form ([click here](#))
- Current passport with at least 3 months' residual validity beyond the intended return date
- Hard copy of Australian driver's license or other proof of address in New South Wales
- One passport-size photo
- Hard copy of passport's front page
- Hard-copy of valid inbound and outbound ticket indicating date of entry to Italy. If only an inbound ticket is available, proof of sufficient funds to purchase the outbound one must be provided
- Detailed proof of a source of income equal to at least € 2,600 / month originating from pensions, annuities, properties, investment funds or registered business. Employment income and bank deposits / savings will not be taken into consideration. Official letters from banks, financial consultants or institutions, latest Income Tax Return may be provided to that effect.
- Availability of a suitable lodging, which must be coherent with the period of stay of your visa application, must be provided.
 - **Option 1** – proof of rental agreements registered with Agenzia delle Entrate;
 - **Option 2** – proof of property ownership (deeds) registered with Agenzia delle Entrate (Visura Catastale dell'immobile).

INVITATION LETTERS FROM FAMILY/FRIENDS ARE NOT ACCEPTED.

PLEASE READ THE INSTRUCTIONS BELOW CAREFULLY

Ways to apply

Applicants are required to apply in person at the Consulate by booking an appointment via the prenot@mi portal. Visa applications and extensions are not processed in Italy. All visa requirements are to be satisfied during the visa interview and documents must be produced in hard copy. If you are not able to complete any part of your application form, we can help you on the day of your appointment.

Processing time and applications

Processing time may vary from a few hours to 15 days, depending on each case. No fast track is available. We strongly recommend to submit your application at least 2 weeks prior to scheduled departure. Applications cannot be processed earlier than 180 days prior to the departure date. If an appointment is not available for the preferred date, applicants may periodically check their booking system account to see if an earlier appointment becomes available due to other users' cancellation.

Methods of payment

All visa fees are payable with EFPOS / Cash.

Residence permit

Within 8 days from entering Italy, National visa-holders need to apply for a residence permit (permesso di soggiorno) from the local Police Station (Questura).