



Consulate General of Italy, Lagos

REQUISITE DOCUMENTS FOR FAMILY REUNION: SPOUSE JOINING SPOUSE RESIDING IN ITALY

(Subject to prior authorization "Nulla Osta" by Italian Immigration Office)

All the documents here listed are compulsory and no application will be accepted if one or more document(s) is/are missing

- Application form duly filled in block capitals. Application must be signed and dated by the applicant on submitting the application. The visa application form can be downloaded from the web site www.italy-ng.com.
- Two recent colour passport-size photographs (white background), size 3,5 x 4,5 cm. As to the technical specification see the relevant document. 1 photograph should be glued to the visa application and the second one, bearing on the reverse side the applicant's full name, should be attached to the application with a paper clip.
- Passport valid for at 18 months from the date of visa application. Only biometric passports are accepted.
- Colour photocopy of the passport page containing holder's bio-data
- A sheet containing the applicant's bio-data, phone number and active e-mail address. This information must be typed and signed by the applicant.
- Non-Nigerian nationals living in Nigeria have to submit copy of the Nigerian Residence Permit

A. DOCUMENTATION RELEVANT TO THE FAMILY REUNION

A.1. DOCUMENTS TO BE PROVIDED FROM ITALY

- Original and photocopy of "**NULLA OSTA AL RICONGIUNGIMENTO FAMILIARE**" (Authorization to the family reunion) issued by competent "Sportello Unico per l'Immigrazione" (Italian Immigration Office) **no longer than 6 months**. Prior to the submission of the application, applicants are requested to verify the exact match in spelling and order of their data (surname, names, and date of birth) indicated in the Nulla Osta with those indicated in passport and birth certificate;
- Clear and legible photocopy of the identity card of the spouse residing in Italy
- Clear and legible photocopy of the Residence Permit of the spouse residing in Italy;
- Original certificate of family composition "Certificato di Stato di famiglia" relevant to spouse issued by the Italian Municipality issued **no longer than 6 months**. This certificate should indicate kinship relationship existing between the persons indicated in that certificate.



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A.2. DOCUMENTS TO BE PROVIDED FROM NIGERIA

MUST BE DULY LEGALIZED BY THE NIGERIAN MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS IN ABUJA AND TRANSLATED IN ITALIAN

- Marriage certificate
- Birth Certificate if born after 14th December 1992; or
- Attestation of age issued by National Population Commission if born before 14th December 1992. This attestation must be accompanied by an affidavit of age sworn to by either of his/her parent or if they are deceased by an uncle, aunt or older sibling

Additional procedure may be required in certain cases:

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Verification by authorized lawyers of this Consulate General



APPLICANTS SHOULD NOTE THE FOLLOWING :

- Additional documents may be required in certain cases.
- All the documents should be provided in original and copy. Original documents will be returned to applicants while copies will be kept with the visa application. No photocopy will be accepted, except the photocopy of the identity card or passport of the inviting party residing in Italy;
- Any **forged/fake document or passport** submitted will not be returned to the applicant who might be prosecuted in both the Italian and the Nigerian Court.

VERY IMPORTANT

Discrepancy, if any, in the surname, names, order of names and/or date of birth of the spouse mentioned in the "Nulla Osta" will result in a delay in the processing of the application.