Consolato Generale d'Italia
San Pietroburgo

EMPLOYMENT

SUB-CATEGORIES

The work visa allows foreign nationals who are called to Italy to perform work as an employee to enter the country for a short- or long-term stay, whether for a fixed or indefinite period.

The requirements and conditions for obtaining a visa are set forth in Articles 22, 24, and 27 of Consolidated Law No. 286/1998 and in Articles 29, 30, 31, 38, and 40 of Presidential Decree No. 394/1999, without prejudice to the requirements set forth in Articles 49 and 50 of the same Presidential Decree regarding the practice of professional activities.

a. EMPLOYMENT AT SEA

For foreign nationals employed by foreign companies that do not fly the Italian flag and who are scheduled to board Italian cruise ships to perform ancillary services, a visa is issued upon a formal and documented request from the companies themselves.

For foreign seafarers scheduled to embark on Italian-flagged vessels registered in the International Register, a visa is issued upon request by the shipowner or the shipowner's authorized agent, accompanied by proof of the vessel's registration in the International Register and the corresponding crew list.

The validity of the visa shall correspond to the expected duration of the employment, as indicated in the employment contract, if already finalized, or in a declaration by the shipowner.

This procedure may be initiated in advance, including via certified email (PEC), and the visa may be issued regardless of whether the seafarer in question resides locally.

To apply for the visa, you must submit:

1) a residence visa application form, duly completed and signed;
2) a passport valid for at least three months beyond the duration of the stay, or valid for at least 15 months in the case of a D visa;
3) a recent ICAO-format photo;
4) a formal request from the shipping company;
5) registration of the vessel in the international registry;
6) a seaman's book issued by the competent Russian authorities;
7) an individual employment contract;
8) receipt for payment of consular fees, in accordance with the procedures established by the Italian diplomatic-consular mission with jurisdiction over the territory;
9) copy of the national internal passport (page containing personal information and page with the residence stamp).

PLEASE NOTE: With regard to foreign seafarers who intend to board or disembark from foreign-flagged vessels at Italian ports, transit visas will be issued, subject to the issuance of authorization by the competent Port Authority of the location where the vessel is situated.

b. EMPLOYMENT IN THE ENTERTAINMENT INDUSTRY

The entry visa for salaried employment in the entertainment industry is issued to foreign nationals who intend to work in Italy pursuant to Article 27, paragraph 2, of Legislative Decree 286/98.

To obtain the visa, you must submit:

1) A recent ICAO-format photo;
2) An ex-ANPAL clearance certificate, which will be duly verified by the office;
3) Registration with the Chamber of Commerce (CCIAA) of the inviting companies;
4) Financial statements for the last two fiscal years;
5) Confirmation that the planned itinerary of the circuses corresponds to the relevant permits issued by the municipalities;
6) Employment contract and any prior work experience certified by the local chambers of commerce of the visa applicant;
7) Receipt of payment of consular fees, in accordance with the procedures established by the Italian diplomaticconsular mission with jurisdiction over the territory;
8) Copy of the national internal passport (page containing personal information and page with the residence stamp).

ALL DOCUMENTS MUST BE SUBMITTED AS CERTIFIED COPIES (OR COPIES CONFORMING TO THE ORIGINAL) WITH AN APOSTILLE AND ACCOMPANIED BY AN ITALIAN TRANSLATION PREPARED BY ONE OF THE CONSULATE GENERAL'S APPROVED TRANSLATORS.

c. EMPLOYMENT IN THE JOURNALISM SECTOR

For correspondents officially accredited in Italy and employees regularly paid by daily newspapers or periodicals, or by foreign radio or television broadcasters, visa applications must be submitted through diplomatic channels by means of a verbal note, and the granting of a visa is in any case subject to obtaining prior authorization from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Press Office.

d. EMPLOYMENT IN SPORTS

The "Employment in Sports" visa is issued to foreign nationals who intend to enter and stay in Italy to perform salaried work in the sports sector pursuant to Article 27, paragraph 1, subparagraph p) of Consolidated Law No. 286/1998, as amended and supplemented, and Article 40, paragraphs 16, 17, and 18 of Presidential Decree No. 394/1999, as amended and supplemented, as an athlete, coach, or other sports professional, with a club or italian sports organization.

To obtain a visa, you must submit the following:

1) Schengen or National Visa Application Form, fully completed and signed by the applicant.
2) A recent photo in ICAO format
3) Receipt of payment of consular fees, in accordance with the procedures established by the Italian diplomatic-consular mission with jurisdiction over the territory.
4) A valid passport, valid for at least three months beyond the expiration date of the requested visa, containing at least two blank pages, accompanied by a copy of the page with personal information.
5) Copy of the national identity card (page with personal information and page with the residence stamp)
6) Tax ID number, which must be requested in advance from the Italian diplomatic or consular mission with jurisdiction over the relevant territory.
7) A written statement of consent issued by CONI, the National Olympic Committee, exclusively in paper form;
8) Booking a one-way flight with a final destination in Italy.