

## DOCUMENT CHECKLIST

## VISITING FAMILY/FRIENDS/GIRLFRIEND/BOYFRIEND/OTHER VISITS

- **Cover Letter** will be electronically sent via applicants email upon successful online application must be printed out and signed.
- One (1) colour passport sized photo with white background- and not older than <u>3 months</u>. Edited photos are not accepted.

Paste your photo (do not staple) on the Cover Letter.

- Photocopy of Original Passport personal page and all used pages (with visas, permit and stamps)
  Original passport must be submitted together with the application.
  Passport must be valid <u>for at least 3 months after departure from the Schengen area.</u>
  Valid passport must have at least 2 unused pages (if approved, the visa will be affixed on said page/s).
- Non-South African applicants residing in SA: Valid South African temporary/permanent residence permit – original sticker in new or old passport, or a certified copy of permanent residence permit document. The permit must be valid for at least 3 months after the planned return from the Schengen area
   RSA ID Book (if permanent residence)- certified true copy
   Refugees – certified true copy of valid refugee status letter
  - Application Fee Paid online through the Application Portal.
  - □ If currently employed, submit a signed letter of employment stating position, length of service, salary and duration of approved leave of absence.
  - □ If self-employed a signed letter on the company letterhead declaring that you are self-employed, description of company/business, company registration certification including SARS certificate.
  - □ If currently a student a signed letter from the school/college/university confirming attendance, and duration of study/degree.
  - Original UDI guarantee form and 1 photocopy original must have been stamped and signed by the Norwegian Police and sent in original to the applicant.
  - Or: Original bank statement of the applicant- stamped bank statements of the last 3 months should be submitted if the reference person will not financially support your stay – required minimum amount per day is NOK 500.

□ Invitation letter- signed letter of invitation from your relative or friend, stating the purpose of the visit, and whether the costs are covered by the host.

**D** Photocopies of proof of relationship:

- a) **If visiting a relative:** copy of birth- or marriage certificates or other document to prove the family relationship.
- b) If visiting a friend: a letter from the host person with information on how and when you met etc.
- c) If visiting boyfriend/girlfriend: a written letter from the host person in Norway with information on how and when you met, how much contact you have, how many times you have met and where. Copies of pages with stamps showing travels to applicant's country to prove time spent together. If both parties have spent time together outside South Africa, copies of both parties' passports with stamps should be submitted.

Photocopy of the passport of the person inviting (reference person). And if not a Nordic Citizen, submit a copy of the residence permit.

Photocopy of Roundtrip Airline Ticket Reservation with dates and flight numbers specifying entry and exit from Schengen state and specifying entry and exit from Norway. The ticket should be bought only after the visa has been granted. Mode of transport in/around Schengen states (boat, train, car, bus) or written itinerary is required.

Note: If the application is approved, the visa will be issued according to your roundtrip airline ticket reservation.

□ Photocopy of Travel Medical Insurance - a one-page document in the applicants name stating that the applicant is covered by a Schengen Travel Medical Insurance, i.e. minimum medical coverage of the Rand equivalent of Euro 30.000 for all medical expenses, including repatriation dead or alive, occurring in any Schengen country. The document must include the duration of which the insurance is valid for and the policy number.

## ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR MINORS (under the age of 18)

Original unabridged birth certificate for the child
Passport of both parents
Certified parental consent by both parents – if the child is travelling alone
Notarized/certified consent – if the child travels with only one parent, the other parent must submit
The relevant court decision – if only one parent has guardianship of the minor
If the other parent is dead: Death Certificate must be submitted

**NOTE**: Documentation from the reference person must be sent by **regular or express mail** directly to the applicant and <u>not</u> by fax or as a scanned attachment to e-mail. Please do not send any documents directly to the Embassy.

I hereby confirm that I personally have submitted this application for a visa and that all information stated in the application and the supporting documentation is true. I am aware that providing incorrect information or falsified documents deliberately are punishable acts by both South African and Norwegian law and will lead to refusal of visa. I have been informed that there is an increased risk of the visa application being rejected if the requested information is not provided within the deadline stipulated by the immigration authorities.

Date:	Place:	Applicant's signature:
		VFS's signature: