

OVERVIEW FOR MINORS

Every applicant, including children/ infants, has to submit his/ her Schengen visa application in person and by appointment only on their appointment date, which needs to be booked online (see [Booking Online Appointment](#)) by the applicant.

For Non-EU citizens who are not sure whether a Schengen visa is required to travel to the Schengen Area, please click [Do I need a Visa?](#) to find out.

Minors are applicants who haven't reached the age of 18 years when submitting a Schengen visa application.

Please note that, for children under 18 years old (minors) both parents need to be present at the time of the appointment, as per the Embassy's requirement. If parents live abroad, then a submitted letter of consent and passport copy has to be stamped and certified by the Greek Embassy based in their country.

Therefore, each minor MUST provide the following additional documents:

1. Child's unabridged/ full birth certificate (**original to be seen and copy**) showing both biological parents their names; if not in English or in Greek, then translation by a certified translator in the UK is also required.
2. Written consent duly signed and dated (it must be certified by a public authority/ Notary/ Solicitor in the UK), of mother and father mentioned on the child's birth certificate.
3. Original and a copy of both parents' passports' bio-page and signature page, if signature is not on bio-page.
4. In case the parents are divorced or one of the parents has deceased, then respectively the court order confirming one parent's sole custody or the deceased parent's death certificate.
5. In case a legal guardian has been appointed by the parents, then the guardianship letter and the guardian's passport's bio-page and signature page, if signature is not on bio-page.
6. In case the minor is applying as EEA/ EU and SWISS national family member:
EEA/ EU and Swiss national's passport (original to be seen and photocopy) and proof of relation to EEA/ EU and Swiss national: marriage/ birth certificate (original to be seen and photocopy), if not in English or in Greek, then translation by a certified translator in the UK of the same is required.

Due to European legislation regarding protection of children/ minors, it must be emphasised that for minors who are not providing all the required documents, their visa application will not be processed by GVCW.

Applicable visa fee for minors varies in 2 age groups:

1. Minors under 12 years old: Gratis
2. Minors above 12 years old: Full visa fee

Eligibility

Applicant must at least meet the following criteria in order to be eligible to submit a Schengen visa application:

1. holding a valid passport/ travel document as per the specifications stated under the *"Required Documents"* section.
2. holding a valid UK residence permit. In case applicant holds a short stay visa for the UK, a C type visa (see [here](#)), then applicant needs to apply for a Schengen visa from his/ her residence country.
3. applying for a short stay visa: Tourist, Visitor Family/ Friends, Business, EEA/ EU and Swiss national family member or Airport Transit.