



Short-stay visas

These visas allow the holder to transit through or remain in Spanish territory and all other Schengen States for a maximum period of three months (90 days) within a period of six months (180 days) from the entry date into the Schengen Area.

Regulations

The procedures and conditions for issuing these visas are set out in European Parliament and Council Regulation (CE) No. 810/2009, which establishes a Community Code on visas.

Foreign nationals with the obligation to carry this visa

Canadian citizens do not require a visa for a stay not exceeding 90 days.

Nationals from countries included in the list of countries with the obligation to carry a visa in order to cross external borders must be in possession of this visa.

Place of submission

The visa must be applied for either in person or through a duly accredited representative in the Diplomatic Mission or Spanish Consular Office in the country where the applicant legally resides, if the main destination is Spain.

If the travel destination includes several Schengen countries, you must process the application at the consulate of the main destination. A 'main destination' one in which the applicant intends to spend more time or which carries out the purpose of the trip.

The consular jurisdiction of the Spanish Consulate General in Montreal covers the provinces of Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Québec (except Gatineau), and Newfoundland and Labrador.

Requirements

When submitting the visa application, the established fee must be paid. This fee is non-refundable and therefore will not be refunded if the visa application is unsuccessful.

All other necessary requirements may vary according to the reason for the visit and the applicant's country of origin.

Visa application

The short stay visa application must be submitted on a duly completed [application form](#) (original and copy), which can be downloaded free of charge from this web page or can also be obtained free of charge from Spanish Diplomatic Missions or Consular Offices abroad.

Documentation that shall be annexed to the visa application



Applicants shall include the original and a photocopy of the following documents to their application:

1. Documents Checklist (original), which can be downloaded free of charge [from this web page](#)
2. A passport with a validity of more than 90 days from the date you leave Schengen space after your visit.
3. Proof of financial reliability: bank statements, letter from your bank, title deeds or any proof of income.
4. Proof of accommodation: hotel reservation or a letter of invitation issued at a police station in Spain.
5. If you travel to attend a conference, a seminar, for business reasons or to participate in a sport event, you must submit documentation that supports your request (official invitation, attendance confirmation, etc.)
6. Flight reservation or travel itinerary.
7. Medical insurance with overseas coverage
8. Proof of residence in Canada (permanent residence card, work permit, study permit, etc.)
9. Letter of employment or confirmation of school registration.
10. Look up the consular fees chart to know the amount you must pay. Only cash, money order or certified check payable to the Consulate General of Spain will be accepted.
11. A prepaid XPRESSPOST envelope if passport is to be sent outside Montreal

Processing period

The maximum period for processing short stay (Schengen) visa applications is fifteen calendar days from the date the application is submitted. This period can be extended to a maximum of 30 calendar days in specific cases, especially if a more detailed examination of the application is required. By way of exception, in specific cases in which additional documentation is required, this period can be extended to a maximum of 60 calendar days.

Visa issue

This visa will normally be valid for all Schengen countries (Austria, Belgium, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Hungary, Iceland, Italy, Greece, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden and Switzerland)

Collection of visa

If the visa is issued, it must be collected in person from the competent Diplomatic Mission or Consular Office, or collected by a duly authorized representative, within a period of one month from the date that notification is given of the award.



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Refusal and appeals

If the visa application is unsuccessful, the applicant will be notified via a standard form stating the reason the visa was refused. In this case, the applicant can file a judicial review appeal before the High Court in Madrid within a period of two months from the notification date or optionally, an appeal for review before the Diplomatic Mission or Consular Office within one month from the notification date.

Information

For more information or any clarification, please contact the Visa Department at the Consulate General of Spain (Tel: (514) 935-5235, ext. 224)