



AIRPORT TRANSIT VISA

If you are from India or Sri Lanka and you are flying with a layover in Spain, you will be required to hold an airport transit or uniform visa, depending on the conditions stated below. Please note that airport transit visa only allows you to stay at the international transit area of the airport. The only airport in Spain where you will need to leave the international transit area to continue your trip is Madrid Barajas Adolfo Suárez airport in case that you arrive through terminals T1, T2 or T3 and you exit through T4 or T4S or vice versa. Likewise, if you are flying from Spain to another layover airport within the Schengen Space, you will need to exit the international transit area. In both cases, you should apply for a uniform (tourist, business or student) visa.

The following categories of Indian citizens are exempted from airport transit visa: a) holders of a valid uniform visa, national long stay visa or residence permit issued by a Schengen Member State; b) holders of a valid visa issued by Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Romania, Liechtenstein, Ireland or the United Kingdom, as well as Canada, Japan or the United States of America traveling directly to those countries or when they return from those countries after having used the visa; c) holders of a valid residence permit issued by Ireland or the United Kingdom, as well as by Andorra, Canada, Japan, San Marino or the United States of America guaranteeing the holder's unconditional readmission; d) family members of citizens of the Union covered by Directive 2004/38/EC; e) holders of diplomatic or official passports; f) flight crew members who are nationals of a contracting Party to the Chicago Convention on International Civil Aviation.

These are the documents required to submit a Schengen visa application for airport transit. Please note that the Embassy may contact you later on and request additional information. When submitting an application, both a [consular and a BLS fee](#) must be paid.

Back to back pages are preferred. Do not staple any documents and refrain from providing documents other than those mentioned here-below.

DOCUMENTATION REQUESTED

Basic documents

- [One application form for a Schengen visa](#) duly completed (full postal address, email address and telephone should not be omitted), dated and signed in blue ink by the applicant or both parents if a minor. One photograph not older than 6 months of the applicant, 35-45 mm and on a white background, should be affixed on the application form.
- In case of minors applying alone or not with both parents, the application must include a notarized authorization letter signed by both parents. The parent who is not present at the moment of the application must submit as a proof of the signature a notarized copy of the passports or PAN cards or driving license.
- Passport of the applicant with at least two blank pages, valid for at least three months after the duration of the anticipated stay and issued in the last ten (10) years. Old passports can also be included. If there is any visa refusal in the latest 2 years, please provide the refusal notice or a written explanation about the reasons.
- One copy of the pages of the passport with biographic data (in the case of an Indian passport, at the beginning and the end).
- If the applicant is not a national of India or Sri Lanka, evidence of his/her legal residence in any of these countries (residence permit).

Details of the trip

- Cover letter (account of the purpose of the visit).
- Flight bookings (roundtrip). It is advisable not to buy the air ticket until the visa has been granted.
- Visas for the intended itinerary, if applicable.

Evidence of economic means

- Original, stamped and signed bank statements of the applicant and sponsor (if any) of the last six months. Original, signed letter by the sponsor detailing the concepts/amount to be covered and proof of the relationship of the sponsor with the applicant must be submitted, if relevant.
- Income tax returns (ITR-V or Form 16) for the last two years.
- Salary slips for last three months, when available.
- Title of property in Spain, pension slips or proof of deposits, when relevant.

Average processing time at the Embassy 4 working days