



ROYAL NORWEGIAN EMBASSY

SCHENGEN VISA INFORMATION (NORWAY)

A Schengen visa gives access to all the Schengen countries (Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Iceland, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, Spain and Sweden). The total stay in Schengen territory must **not exceed 90 days** during the period of 6-month – starting from first entry.

Visa application should be handed in to the Embassy of the Schengen state where the main purpose of stay is and where the longest period of stay. In the absence of a main destination, the application should be submitted to the Embassy or Consulate General of the country of first point of entry into Schengen territory.

The Visa section is open from Monday-Friday : 10:00 – 1200. A non-refundable processing fee must be paid upon submission of visa application.

Visa application form is **free of charge** and can be collected from the Royal Norwegian Embassy or downloaded from <http://www.udi.no/templates/PageURL.aspx?id=7524> Visa application must be filled in completely in **block letters**. Visa applicant must hand in the visa application **in person** at the Embassy.

The processing time for a visa application is minimum **5 working days**. In certain cases, the visa application will have to be forwarded to the Norwegian Immigration Authority in Oslo and the minimum processing time is **approx. 6 months**.

The final decision for entering the Schengen territory will always rests with the Immigration border control post at Schengen point of entry. The border post control has the authority to deny entry into Schengen territory if you are unable to justify reason/purpose of the visit.

General requirements (adopted by all Schengen Embassies in Luanda)

Kindly note that all documents must be submitted in original.

1. Visa application, duly filled in with all important information and signed by the applicant
2. Two recent colour passport photo (*white background, max 3 months old*)
3. Valid passport or Travel document (*valid for minimum 3 months after the expiry of visa*)
4. Previous passports, if any.
5. Angolan I.D card, (*For non-Angolans : a valid Angolan resident permit min. 3 months after the expiry of the visa*)
6. Birth and/or marriage certificate – may be required
7. Invitation letter or proof of purpose of travel
8. Guarantee letter stamped by the Norwegian Authority
9. Airline booking
10. Travel Medical Insurance for the entire stay (*Minimum coverage EUR 30.000*)
11. Application fee (*1 January 2008 – EUR 60 equivalent in USD*)

If the Schengen visa is granted, the following must be presented prior to releasing the passport.

- Confirmed return ticket, e-ticket (proof of booking is not accepted)

- Travel medical insurance valid in all Schengen states – minimum coverage EUR 30.000.

Specific requirements (Norway, Denmark, Sweden and Iceland only)

Applicant going for business meeting and seminar must submit a formal signed invitation written in English from the reference in Norway and in Angola (the invitation must include personal particulars about the applicant, arrival and departure dates, the purpose of the visit, who will be financially responsible for the accommodation and subsistence. Norwegian business company must be a legal entity registered at the Brønnøysund registeret with company number.

The applicant must show/provide proof guarantee that he or she has adequate funds for the entire stay – minimum kr 500 pr day. The applicant may be denied access at any Schengen border post, if he/she cannot show/provide proof of adequate funds for the entire stay in the Schengen territory. A guarantee form can be obtained by the reference in Norway and stamped by the appropriate authority.

Birth and marriage certificate must be authenticated by the Angolan Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MIREX).

Accompanied/Unaccompanied minors must provide written consent from parents/legal guardians certified by a Notary Public. A copy of passport from non-travelling parent/legal guardian must be authenticated by a Notary Public.

Diplomatic and Service passport accompanied with a Nota Verbal from MIREX does not require to pay the processing fee – otherwise chargeable with normal rate. The same apply for the Travel Medical Insurance – not required under official travel with Nota Verbal.

Lack of documentation may lead to rejection of visa application.

Specific requirements for photos – photo must be;

- Sharp focus and clear with good contrasts
- Printed on good quality photo paper with high resolution
- Colour
- No more than 35-45 mm width
- Not older than 3 months
- Taken from straight forward, and against a white background
- Show all head, and the top of the shoulders. The face should cover 70-80% of the photo
- Show the eyes open and clearly visible. Hair should not cover the eyes and lips should be together
- No shadows
- Glasses are allowed, but the eyes must be clearly visible. No collared glasses. The rims must not cover part of the eyes. No reflection in the glasses.
- Headgear is allowed as long as the face is clearly visible. Nor shadows.