



National Visas - Residence visa for family members of Spanish nationals CODES (RFN/ RFX)

(Attach a copy of the Residential Authorization)

**IT IS IMPORTANT TO CHECK AT THE END OF THIS DOCUMENT INFORMATIONS ABOUT HOW TO
TRANSLATE AND LEGALIZE**

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS:

1. **VISA FEE:** These visas will be free of charge, with a cash fee of BLS 11,000. CFA
2. **VISA FORMS:**
Two (2) "National Visa Application" forms, properly completed, signed, and dated. (IMPORTANT: address, telephone number, and email address for notifications).
3. **PHOTOGRAPHS:**
Two (2) recent passport-sized photographs on a white background, attached to the corresponding box on each form: with the face fully uncovered and facing forward.
4. **EMAIL:**
Applicant's email address used to request an appointment for this visa at this Consulate General.
5. INITIAL RESIDENCE AUTHORIZATION FOR THE FOREIGN FAMILY MEMBER (original and copy)

If the Spanish national is in Spain and has applied for a residence permit for their family member, the original and a copy of the initial residence permit issued by the competent authority for the foreign family member.

If both the Spanish national and their family member are abroad, a completed and signed residence permit application form, always indicating their address in Spain (Form EX24), opens in a new window, and documentation proving the existence of the situation that allows them to apply for a residence permit.

6. **COPY OF THE SPANISH ID CARD AND ALL THE PAGES OF THE PASSPORT OF THE SPANISH CITIZEN**
7. **SPANISH BIRTH CERTIFICATE OF THE SPANISH CITIZEN**

8. **VISA APPLICANT'S PASSPORT** (original and copy):

Visa applicant's passport, with a minimum validity of 1 year. We recommend a longer validity period as the visa process is not immediate. Attach a photocopy of the biometric page of the passport, the page where the applicant's photo and information appear. **(RFN)**



9. **PHOTOCOPY OF APPLICANT'S IDENTITY CARD:**

Photocopy of the visa applicant's national identity card (Senegalese or Gambian). Required for ages 12 and up in Senegal and 18 and up in Gambia. **(RFX)**

10. **MEDICAL CERTIFICATE:**

Visa applicant's medical certificate (original and photocopy). This certificate must be recent, no more than 3 months prior to the appointment, and must include the following statement: "This medical certificate certifies that Mr/Mrs/Miss (...) does not have any serious illness that could affect public health in accordance with the provisions of the International Health Regulations of 2005." This sentence must be included in the certificate. This certificate must be properly apostilled or legalized and translated into Spanish (See note at the end of these requirements on translations and apostilles or legalizations).

11. **CRIMINAL RECORD EXTRACT**

Criminal record extract (legalized and translated) for applicants over the age of 16. (See note at the end of these requirements regarding translations and apostilles or legalizations).

12. **DEPENDING ON THE CASE, DOCUMENT PROVING THE RELATIONSHIP:**

➤ **FOR SPOUSES (HUSBAND OR WIFE)**

These documents must be updated no later than 3 months before the appointment.

a) SENEGALESE SPOUSE:

Birth Certificate and Copy of Birth Certificate: both documents must be translated and legalized (See note at the end of these requirements on translations and apostilles or legalizations).

b) Marriage Certificate and Copy of Marriage Certificate accompanied by c) Family Record Book: both documents must be translated and legalized (See note at the end of these requirements on translations and apostilles or legalizations).

b) GAMBIAN SPOUSE:

Marriage Certificate and Family Record Book (original and photocopy) translated and legalized (See note at the end of these requirements on translations and apostilles or legalizations).

➤ **FOR CHILDREN:**

- a) Birth Certificate and Copy of Birth Certificate. Both documents must be translated and legalized (See note at the end of these requirements on translations and apostilles or legalizations).
- b) Family Record Book for married parents or Certificate of Singleness for those who are not (Originals and copies, translated and legalized/See note at the end of these requirements on translations and apostilles or legalizations).
- c) For MINORS, a notarized deed will be required:
- d) A notarized deed from the other parent (in Senegal or Gambia) authorizing their child to live in Spain with the sponsor, indicating the exact address in Spain. If the other parent is deceased, this must be proven with a death certificate (original and photocopy), translated and legalized (See note at the end of this document on translations and and legalization).



IMPORTANT INFORMATION

ALL DOCUMENTS MUST BE PRESENTED IN ORIGINAL AND COPY.

APOSTILLED (mandatory):

In SENEGAL: All Senegalese documents presented must be APOSTILLED, NOT LEGALIZED (Senegal has been a party to the Apostille Convention since April 5, 2023):

- ☐ Criminal record extract
- ☐ Medical visit certificate – usually sent by Fann Hospital
- ☐ Extract from the birth certificate register and a certified copy of the birth certificate
- ☐ Certified copy of the marriage certificate
- ☐ Family record book

ALL APOSTILLED at the Senegalese Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

MANDATORY LEGALIZATION:

In the Gambia: All Gambian documents must be legalized:

- ☐ Criminal Record or Certificate of Character: Gambian Citizen
- ☐ Medical Certificate
- ☐ Birth Certificate
- ☐ Married Certificate

ALL LEGALIZED at the Legalization Service of the Gambian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and then at the Gambian Embassy in Dakar.

MANDATORY TRANSLATION:

Original foreign documents (Senegal, Gambia, etc.) must be accompanied by a Spanish translation (Article 15 of Law 39/2015). The following translations will be accepted:

- a) Those carried out by a certified translator in SPAIN.
- b) Those carried out by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Senegal, and legalized by this same Ministry.
- c) Those legalized by the Gambian Embassy in Dakar.



INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS: Incomplete or defective applications will not be processed in this case, and if possible you will be given a new appointment for the visa application.

PERSONAL INTERVIEW: The Consulate General may require, if it deems necessary, the presence of the applicant in person who wishes to be grouped in order to conduct an interview. As well as the submission of any other document it deems appropriate.

DOCUMENTARY FRAUD: The Consulate General reiterates that the Regulation of Foreigners in Spain highlights that visas will be refused, among others, when false documents or false arguments or bad faith will be presented on the basis of the application. Taking into account that many cases of document fraud have been detected, we warn that the authenticity of all documents presented will be checked and we will contact the Senegalese and Gambian authorities to detect falsifications.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION. •The applicant must enter Spain during the validity period of the visa. The date of entry into Spain must appear on the passport. •The holder of the residence visa will have one month after his return to Spanish territory to apply personally for a foreigner's residence card at the office of foreigners in the province where his residence will be established.

THIS INFORMATION IS NOT RELATED TO AND DOES NOT CHANGE THE CONTENT OF THE APPLICABLE STANDARD, WHICH WILL BE APPLIED IN ALL CASES.