

Residence permit

If you are a non-EU national and plan to come to Italy for a period exceeding three months, you must apply for a residence permit.

If it is your first time in Italy, you have **8 days** to apply for a residence permit.

To obtain the **issue** of a residence permit you need:

- The application form;
- Your valid passport or any other equivalent travel document bearing an entry visa, if required;
- A photocopy of your passport or another valid travel document bearing an entry visa, if required;
- 4 recent and identical passport-size photographs;
- A €14.62 electronic revenue stamp;
- Documents supporting your request for the type of residence permit you are applying for.

If you are already in Italy and your residence permit is close to its expiry date, you must apply for **renewal** at least:

- 90 days before expiry date if your residence permit is valid for 2 years;
- 60 days before expiry date if your residence permit is valid for 1 year;
- 30 days before expiry date in all other cases.

The validity of your residence permit is the same as that indicated on your visa, i.e.:

- Up to **6 months** for seasonal work or up to **9 months** for seasonal work in the specific sectors requiring this extension;
- Up to **1 year** if you are attending a duly documented course of study or a vocational training course;
- Up to **2 years** for self-employment, open-ended employment and family reunification.

If you are planning to come to Italy for **short visits, business, tourism or study** for a period not exceeding 3 months you are not required to apply for a residence permit.

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