

Procedure for a UK visa



1. Application form

- Fill out the application form at www.allvisumservice.ch/en/countries/c/90-united-kingdom/
- The application will be submitted directly to us after completion.
- AVS checks your information and will contact you if there is any uncertainty or missing information.



2. Receipt of the documents

- As soon as we have completed your application, you will receive an e-mail with your application and information about your appointment.
- Prepare the documents according to the checklist in our e-mail.



3. Visiting the Visacenter Zurich or Geneva

- The Visacenter for UK is a receiving office. Since there is no British authority in Switzerland that issues visas, such Visacenters have been created to receive applications and fingerprints.
- The Visacenter will forward your application to London for verification.
- The consul makes the decision on issuing the visa.



4. Receipt of visa

- Once the visa has been issued, the Visacenter will return your passport with your visa.



Visacenter availability

- Visacenter Zurich, waiting time for an appointment: approx. 2-3 weeks
- Visacenter Geneva, waiting time for an appointment: approx. 1 week

Processing time

- After the Visacenter appointment, the processing time for the standard process is 4-6 weeks.
- After the Visacenter appointment, the processing time for the priority process is 7-10 days (80% of cases).

Express Visa is currently only available for visas with a validity of 6 months. In some cases, an application can undergo a special administrative process, which can take up to 8 weeks, although the express processing has been chosen.

→ You do not have a passport during the processing time. Only in Geneva there is a possibility to choose the option "keep my passport" for a surcharge. This means that on the day of your appointment you visit the Visacenter, provide all your documents and then you can take your passport back with you. Your documents will be sent to the UK for verification. As soon as your visa is approved, you will receive an email asking you to submit your passport.

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