

INFORMATION FOR FOREIGN NATIONALS

1. Every foreign national who enters Italy legally must report to provincial law enforcement authorities at the "Questura" within 8 days of his/her entry into the country to request a "permesso di soggiorno". The "permesso di soggiorno" is issued by the "Questura" for the length of stay indicated on the visa and, together with a valid passport, will permit the foreign national to circulate in Schengen countries. He or she must however report to law enforcement authorities in the said countries within 3 days of entry.
2. At the moment of entry into Italy the foreign national in possession of a visa must demonstrate, if requested by the Italian border authorities, the possession of adequate means of support in proportion to the duration of the visa (see chart below). The sums are calculated in Euro. For those in possession of Canadian dollars (or other currency), it is the responsibility of the visa holder to control the exchange rate between the Euro and the Canadian dollar (or other currency) in order to obtain the minimum sum required under Italian law.

The possession of these financial means can be demonstrated by:

- a) Cash
- b) Performance letter of credit or stand-by letter of credit
- c) Guaranteed insurance policy
- d) Prepaid services
- e) Documents proving the existence of financial means in Italy

Besides the above-mentioned proof of financial means, the holder of the visa must also be able to prove that he/she has adequate accommodation in Italy, as well as the necessary means of return to his/her country of residence (demonstrated by the possession of a return ticket).

It is important to note that failure to prove the possession of adequate means of support and the other aforementioned requisites for entry will result in denial of entry into Italy, even in the presence of a valid visa.

MINIMUM REQUIRED FUNDS FOR TRAVEL IN ITALY (As established by the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs)		
DURATION OF STAY	ONE PERSON	TWO OR MORE PEOPLE
1-5 days – TOTAL AMOUNT	270	213
6-10 days – DAILY RATE PER PERSON	45 (daily)	27 (daily)
11-20 days – FIXED AMOUNT PLUS DAILY RATE PER PERSON	52 + 37 (daily)	26 + 23 (daily)
Over 20 days – FIXED AMOUNT PLUS DAILY RATE PER PERSON	207 + 28 (daily)	118 + 17 (daily)