

Documents required for ELECTIVE RESIDENCY

*all to be presented in English or Italian, in proper physical hard copies;
pls. no screengrab prints, no docs on pen drives, phones, or on laptops*

☛ All the **forms** listed herein below are available from the **Visa forms** webpage ([click here](#))

1. D-type application form for Italian National/long stay (for 91-365 days).
2. Your passport or travel document, which must be valid for at least three (3) months after the visa expiry date, as well as photocopies of the first 2 pages and of visas previously issued, if any. Furthermore, there must be at least two blank pages in the passport left for visa and stamps of custom authorities.
3. One passport-style colour photo (must have been taken within six months prior to the application), sized 35mm x 40mm, full-face on a light coloured background. Face must be correctly centered and must be seen from a front view, with both sides visible. Styled poses (looking over one shoulder, head bowed etc.) are not allowed. The head must be free of all headgear, no hats, scarves, headbands or other decorative objects.
4. Valid provincially-issued picture ID, such as driver's license, services card, health care card, or identity card from out consular jurisdiction that encompasses AB, BC, SK, & YT.
5. **Personalized** one/way flight ticket to Italy. The applicant is free to submit a personalized flight reservation, or flight booking plan, or flight itinerary for visa application purposes.
6. **Personalized** proof the applicant has signed a long-term rental contract that has been registered properly with the local Italian fiscal authority, called *Agenzia delle entrate*, and that is valid at least for the duration of the first visa, if granted, or document/s that confirm the ownership of a residential property under the applicant's name in Italy.
7. **Personalized** proof of financial means with high self-sustaining **passive** incomes. The minimum threshold for the relevant income generated from valid sources is assessed currently at **EUR 31000/per/person/year after-tax**, to be calculated in its equivalent in CAD. Eligible funds shall originate from large economic resources, assessed to be substantial and steady in the most recent two-three years prior to the visa request. There shall be guaranteed continuity in receiving them the future. Such resources may come from the ownership of various sources of incomes, such as, but not limited to, pensions, annuities, real estate rental income, or ownership of steady economic activity or from other sources **except subordinate/employee-type/self-employment work**. Therefore, please be aware that the focus is on a passive rather than on actual bank balances. Furthermore, lines of credit will not be considered towards the visa requirements. This type of visa does not allow to carry out any work activity in Italy. The ERV can also be issued to the cohabiting spouse, to underage children and adult children both cohabiting and dependant, as long as the above mentioned financial means are sufficient for them as well. In case of additional visa application for a spouse, the amount of monthly income must be increased by at least 20%. A further increase of 5% should be applied for every eligible child who is applying for a visa. Please provide vital statistics certificates in order to establish the family relationship for the visa purposes.
8. # 6 & 7 do not apply to those who are applying for an ERV on the basis of an official employment contract with one of the organizations in Vatican City State, endorsed by the Secretary of State.
9. Italian National/long stay visa fee: shall be paid in **Canadian dollars only**, by cash, bank draft, or money order, payable to the "Consulate General of Italy in Vancouver". No other means of payment are accepted at this time.

☛ Where the ERV applications at the Visa Office in Vancouver are concerned, it is imperative potential ERV applicants email visa.vancouver@esteri.it the following documentation for pre-assessment purposes, for each applicant, and **prior to scheduling a visa appointment**:

→ Canada Revenue Agency Notice of (Tax) Assessment from the most recent three fiscal years available (-2022; pages 1 & 2 only; there is no need to show RRSP limits on the following pages);

→ copies of the CRA T1 General Tax Form from the most recent three fiscal years available (please kindly provide pages that show **10100** to **15000** lines – i.e. up to, and including, your total income before taxes, otherwise known as your gross income).

→ PDF attachments would highly advisable (<10Mb in one email).

Please be kindly advised the Diplomatic or Consular Representative reserves the right to request additional supporting documentation.

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