



VISA REQUIREMENTS FOR AIRPORT TRANSIT VISA

Please note that only the transit through one airport within the Schengen area is an airport transit. If your flight connection includes more than one airport within the Schengen area, you are entering Schengen and thus need to apply for a Schengen visa.

Each applicant has to present all documents listed below. Note that the originals will not be given back.

- One completed **Schengen visa** application form duly filled in, dated and signed

<https://www.sem.admin.ch/sem/en/home/themen/einreise/visumantragsformular.html>

Minors: (under the age of 18)

Both parents must sign the visa application forms and add copies of their passports as well as the full version of the birth certificate of the child with a copy. If there is only one guardian please present the legal documentation thereof, (divorce papers, birth or death certificate etc.). If one parent is unable to sign the forms, he/she must submit a letter of agreement together with a copy of his/her passport bearing the signature of the holder. If the child is travelling with only one parent, the written consent of the other parent is required as well as a copy of the passport of the latter bearing the signature.

- One recent passport-sized colour photograph with a white background¹, not damaged and stapled.
- Original passport valid for further three months after the intended departure from the territory of the Schengen States and one copy of all relevant passport pages (data page, pages containing previous Schengen, UK, US or Canadian visas). It shall contain at least two blank pages and should have been issued within the previous 10 years. **Please also submit all previous passports, either valid or cancelled.**
- For Non-Ghanaian nationals a photocopy of the valid residence permit (valid for further three months after the intended departure from the territory of the Schengen States) and re-entry permit for Ghana.
- Flight reservation / booking including return flight (no ticket).
- Photocopy of the visa for the country of next or final destination (or guarantee of admission by foreign immigration authority or proof of local immigration requirements if the visa is granted upon arrival).
- Visa fee

In some individual cases, additional documents may be requested. Presentation of the documents does not automatically lead to the issuance of a visa and possession of a visa does not confer an automatic right of entry. The ultimate decision regarding admission to the Schengen territory lies with the Border Authorities upon arrival.

¹See the specifications according to ICAO standards available online
(http://www.icao.int/Security/mrtd/Downloads/Technical%20Reports/Annex_A-Photograph_Guidelines.pdf)