



## Requirements Written Objections against the decision of a visa refusal

Visa applications refused by this representation are based on a Formal Decision.

This Embassy has informed the applicant about the visa refusal on behalf of the State Secretariat for Migration (SEM) through the visa refusal sheet.

The applicant has the possibility to lodge a "WRITTEN OBJECTION" against the refusal of the Embassy of Switzerland.

- The "WRITTEN OBJECTION" has to be written either in German, French or Italian language stating the name, date of birth of the applicant and a short explanation why the applicant does not agree with the decision of the Embassy. The document has to be signed by the applicant.
- It has to be submitted **within 30 days after notification** of the refusal.
- The administrative fee for a "WRITTEN OBJECTION" is CHF 200. -- / per person or family.

The admission fee will be refunded in case the State Secretariat for Migration (SEM) comes to a positive decision.

The "WRITTEN OBJECTION" can be lodged:

by:

- the applicant or
- the host / company in Switzerland

where:

- direct at the State Secretariat for Migration (SEM) in Switzerland or
- direct at the Swiss Embassy by prior appointment only

The decision lies in the competence of the State Secretariat for Migration (SEM) and takes approx. 8 -12 weeks.

The decision will be given either in German, French or Italian language.

In case the State Secretariat for Migration (SEM) confirms the negative decision, the applicant may appeal with the Federal Administrative Court. The appeal is to be submitted within 30 days of notification of the negative decision to the Federal Administrative Court, P.O. Box, CH-3000 Bern 14. The appeal can only be lodged by an authorized representative in Switzerland (e.g. Swiss lawyer) or the host / company in Switzerland.