

Article 33
(Conditions for Visa Issuance)

- (1) Visa applicants shall provide their particulars including biometric data (photo, fingerprint, signature) as requested, as well as other necessary information and the purpose of entry into BiH. The visa application shall be filed on a prescribed form, which must be filled in accurately and completely.
- (2) In addition to the application for issue of a short-stay visa (Visa C), an applicant shall enclose:
 - a) a letter of invitation referred to in Article 34. (*Letter of invitation*) of this Law;
 - b) a copy of court summons or other official invitation by which the applicant is summoned to respond in legal proceedings maintained in BiH;
 - c) a copy of evidence of the paid tourist travel, including the lodging and transportation, or evidence of an arranged travel or paid lodgings, as necessary;
 - d) a certificate confirming the admission to education or training; or
 - e) another document based on which a reasonable conclusion may be drawn about the purpose and conditions of the intended stay in BiH, where possible and necessary.
- (3) Should any suspicion arise as to the indicated purpose of entry into BiH, an officer of DCR of BiH may request the alien to provide a certificate confirming the possession of real property or a certificate confirming the permanent sources of income in the country of origin or the country of initial destination or a certificate on enrollment of studies or the like, or evidence substantiating a reasonable conclusion that the alien shall leave the country after his/her legal stay.
- (4) The officer may also request evidence or explanation of data or information from the visa application, as well as to have an interview with the applicant.
- (5) The condition for issue of a short-term visa is prescribed by paragraph (2) of this Article shall appropriately apply also in cases of issue of a long-term visa (Visa D).
- (6) Technical issues about the conditions for issuance of an airport transit visa (Visa A) shall be regulated by a bylaw of the MoFA after an opinion is obtained from the Ministry.

Article 39
(Refusal of visa issuance and exceptional visa issuance for humanitarian purposes)

- (1) A visa application is refused:
 - a) where the alien has failed to meet the BiH entry requirements referred to in Article 19 (*General entry conditions*) paragraphs (1), (3), (5) and (6), nor he/she shall be subject to application of the international agreement or decision referred to in Article 20. (*Entry on special conditions*) of this Law;
 - b) where the visa issue application has not been filed on an appropriate form or the application form is not filled out completely and legibly;
 - c) where the alien has failed to respond to the summons of the BiH DCR to file the visa application in person;
 - d) where the alien has failed to respond to the summons of a DCR BiH officer to appear at an interview or has failed to meet the request of the officer to produce evidence and clarify the data and information indicated in the visa application;

- e) if an alien already resided in BiH for 90 days and six months from the day of the first entry has not passed;
 - f) if the expiry date of the passport of an alien, in which the visa is issued, is less than three months from the last day of intended stay in BiH or
 - g) if he refuses to provide biometric data when filing an application.
- (2) Under exceptional circumstances, the visa may also be issued in the cases referred to in paragraph (1) of this Article for humanitarian reasons or if it is in the interest of BiH or in accordance with the recognized international obligations.