



1. **Renewal of Business/Tourism visas (B1/B2)**
2. **Renewal of other visa categories**

### **1) Business/Tourism visas Renewal**

This option requires 1 or 2 appointments depending on the issuance date of the visa you are renewing

**This option can be used by Argentine citizens or residents who** possess a valid 10-year B1/B2 visa or one that has expired within the past 12 months. Depending on the issuance date of such visa, the applicant will be required to schedule only one appointment at the ASC (Applicant Service Center) in order to submit the documents and have his/her fingerprints and photo captured, or two appointments, one of them at the ASC (fingerprints and picture capture) and the other at the Embassy (fingerprints verification.)

#### **Requirements:**

Applicants who:

- Are **Argentine citizens applying with an Argentine passport** and possess a B1/B2 visa (Tourism and Business) **issued for 10 years at any US Consulate** and which is valid or has expired within the **past 12 months – ; or applicants who**
- Are **Argentine residents** (with DNI) who possess a B1/B2 visa (Tourism and Business) **issued for 10 years at any US Consulate** and which is valid or has expired **within the past 12 months**
- Have never been arrested or convicted of a crime, deported from the United States, denied entry to the United States, or have had any other problems or difficulties with U.S. Customs and Border Patrol when attempting to enter the United States.

#### **Procedure:**

Applicants who meet the requirements listed above shall complete the following steps:

**Step 1: Complete the DS-160 online application form and print the confirmation sheet (barcode) per each applicant. Please, complete the application at: <https://ceac.state.gov/genniv>**



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**Step 2:** Go to the [Applicant Service Center](#) website and register online by creating an account (e-mail and password), choose the visa category you will apply to, select DHL's branch where to pick up your visaed passport after the interview, pay the application fee (MRV fee) and schedule your appointments. In order to fulfill this step, you will need:

- Current passport
- Previous passport including the visa to be renewed
- DS-160 form's barcode per each applicant.

**Step 3:** Print and read thoroughly the PDF file including useful information about your application. [Download PDF file HERE](#) (pdf 557KB)

Please use one of the numbers below to obtain information on this program:

Buenos Aires 54-11-5984-1910

Córdoba 54-351-5269220

Pilar 54-230-4650909

La Plata 54-221-5138038

Mendoza 54-261-5244788

Rosario 54-341-5122121

### Where do I submit the documentation?

There are two different procedures: applicants who are required to schedule two appointments (ASC and Embassy) and applicants who qualify to schedule only one appointment (ASC only), depending on when their previous visa was issued (the system will guide you):

- Applicants with two appointments will bring their documentation to both of their appointments and leave it at their second interview at the Consular Section where the visa is going to be processed.
- Applicants with only one appointment will take their documentation to the ASC appointment at Av. Santa Fe 4569 and leave it there.



**FOR APPLICANTS WHO DO NOT LIVE IN BUENOS AIRES CITY:** Send all your documents together with the instructions sheet and the confirmation of your registration in the system to the ASC (Applicant Service Center – Avenida Santa Fe 4569 CABA). This service is available for no additional cost at the following DHL branches:

- Mar del Plata: Bartolomé Mitre 1911
- Córdoba: Ayacucho 23
- Rosario: Avenida Pellegrini 1075 y
- Mendoza: San Martin 93

All other cities: If you do not live in those cities, you will have to pay to send the documents to the ASC by any courier at your own expense. Your documents will be returned to your home address by DHL if you pay the premium fee for home delivery. If you do not pay the additional fee, you will need to collect your documents from the ASC or one of these designated DHL locations.

### **Where do I pick up the passport? – NOT at the Consulate**

After the visa is processed, the consulate will send the passport(s) via DHL to the branch selected by the applicant at the beginning of the registration process. **The delivery is FREE OF CHARGE to any branch in Buenos Aires and the rest of the country (selected when registering).** Within 10 working days after submitting the documentation, you may access your account and find the tracking number to pick up your passport(s). You will find the message “**ready for pick up**” in the Applicant Summary.

### **2) Renewal for OTHER visa categories: (C1/D, F (except for Optional Practical Training), M, I, J (except for J1 Summer Work and Travel), H, L (NO blanket) O, P, Q, R)**

Type of procedure: documentation drop-off WITHOUT A VISA INTERVIEW

**This option can be used by Argentine citizens** possessing an Argentine passport and a valid visa (or one that has expired within the last 12 months) from among those mentioned above. Applicants who qualify shall only submit the required documents.



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### Requirements

Applicants who:

- Are **Argentine citizens** applying with an Argentine passport
- Possess the exact visa category to be renewed:
- Issued at the Embassy in Buenos Aires
- Which is valid or has expired within the **past 12 months – 1 year**
- Have never been arrested or convicted of a crime, deported from the United States, denied entry to the United States, or have had any other problems or difficulties with U.S. Customs and Border Patrol when attempting to enter the United States.
- Are physically present in Argentina at the time of the application

### IMPORTANT NOTE:

- Applicants seeking to renew work/student/exchange visas must be returning to the same institution or workplace as was indicated in the previous visa application;
- **J1 Summer Work & Travel** applicants do not qualify to use this program.

### Procedure:

Applicants who meet the requirements listed above can drop off their documents **without** scheduling an appointment and must complete the following steps:

**Step 1:** Complete the DS-160 online application form and print the confirmation sheet (barcode) per each applicant. Please, complete the application at: <https://ceac.state.gov/genniv>

**Step 2:** Go to the **Applicant Service Center** website and register online by creating an account (e-mail and password), choose the visa category you will apply to, select DHL's branch where to pick up your visaed passport after the interview, pay the application fee (MRV fee) and schedule your appointments. In order to fulfill this step, you will need:



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- Current passport and previous passports of the child(ren), if any.
- DS-160 form's barcode per each applicant.

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Mendoza 54-261-5244788  
Rosario 54-341-5122121

**Step 3:** Print and complete the following two-page instructive. Submit it together with the documentation. **Renewal program for OTHER visa categories: (C1/D, F, M, I, J, H, L [NO blanket], O, P, Q, R)** [Download PDF file HERE](#) (pdf 268KB)

### Additional Documents

**Applicants should submit the following additional documents according to the visa category they are applying for:**

\*If you are renewing a Petition-Based visa (H, L, O, P, Q, or R) you will need:

- a) Original or copy of the I-797, the I-129 form (if you have it), and the contract.**
- b) Accompanying family members (spouse, child) will need to submit a copy of the Principal Applicant's I-797 or visa
- c) Family book or birth/marriage certificates that show ties with the principal alien.

\*If you are renewing a crew member (C1/D) visa, you will need **the official letterhead from the company requesting the crew member visa, indicating your occupation, seniority and duration of the contract.**



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\*If you are renewing a journalist (I) visa, you will need **to submit a letterhead from the company requesting the journalist visa, indicating your occupation, seniority, purpose and duration of the trip.**

\*If you are renewing a student or exchange (F, M or J) visa, **you will need to submit the I-20 or DS-2019 form, respectively.**

### **Where do I submit the documentation?**

Submit your documents at the Applicant Service Center (ACS) at Avenida Santa Fe 4569, CABA, from Monday through Thursday from 7:30 am to 12:30 pm, except on **Argentine holidays and American holidays.**

**APPLICANTS WHO ARE IN THE REST OF THE COUNTRY**, please take all the documents with the specific instructions sheet and the **system registration confirmation** to DHL. This no-cost service is only available for DHL branches in:

- Mar del Plata: Bartolomé Mitre 1911
- Córdoba: Ayacucho 23
- Rosario: Avenida Pellegrini 1075 y
- Mendoza: San Martín 93

The rest of branches are available at no cost only for the return of passports upon the procedure ending.

### **Important note:**

- Please verify that you are submitting all the required documentation. Incomplete applications shall not be accepted and documents shall be returned to the applicant.
- For cases involving children, it is required that one of the parents submits the documents. Third parties are not allowed to submit such documents.
- For applicants over 80, the applicant himself or an immediate family member showing proof of the relationship can submit the documents.



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**NOTE:** The Consular Officer not only does reserve the right to request an in-person interview for any applicant for any reason, but may also request further documentation.

An applicant should not make final travel plans until the visa has been approved and delivered.

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