

1. Entry Process & Security

- You will need to form a single line at your scheduled appointment time at the hallway entrance of the U.S. Consulate.
- All visitors must be screened upon entering the U.S. Consulate and are subject to inspection via walk-through and hand-held metal detectors. Moreover, personal items are also subject to full inspection by use of x-ray and other detection equipment.

Any visitor refusing to submit to security screening shall be prohibited from entering the U.S. Consulate.

The following items are prohibited inside the U.S. Consulate:

- Electronic or recording equipment of any kind, including, but not limited to: laptops, cell phones, keyless remotes, Fitbits, cameras, tape/CD/MP3 players, pagers, etc.
- Backpacks, bags, luggage, or large purses (purses 12 x 10 x 6 in. and smaller will be permitted although we strongly encourage you not to bring any bags in order to expedite the screening process)
- Weapons, knives, lighters or tools of any kind
- Food and beverages
- Any oils, aerosols or pump sprays, liquids, lotions and powders
- Any type of fire starter
- Tools, including any sharp or bladed objects
- Weapons, including mace or pepper spray
- Strollers
- Helmets of any type

This list is not all-inclusive. As we have no facilities for storing these items, please **DO NOT BRING** them when you visit the consulate. An alternative would be to leave them at home, your hotel, or in your vehicle.

The U.S. Consulate reserves the right to deny entry of any items deemed suspicious and you may be required to reschedule your appointment and any cost associated with this change.

2. Document check

- After passing through security, you will be assigned a number and guided to a small waiting room where you will be seated until your number is called.

- Your documents will be placed in a specified order by our security personnel and returned to you prior to taking your seat.

3. Submit your documents at Window #1 or Window #2

- When your number is called, please proceed to either Window #1 or Window #2, present your Confirmation DS-160 application, Passport, Status in Canada, and recent passport style photo, without eye glasses and 2" x 2" in size.
- Application processing time varies according to visa category. We recommend that applicants bring reading material to pass the time.

4. Fingerprinting Procedures

- You will be asked to place four fingers of your left-hand flat on the green square as shown below (1), and again with your right-hand (2). Then you will need to place your two thumbs together on the green square (3).

1



Four fingers of your **left** hand.

2



Four fingers of your **right** hand.

3



Two thumbs.

5. Interview

- After you have been fingerprinted, you will be asked to return to your seat in the waiting room and listen for your number to be recalled at which time you will be interviewed by a Consular officer.
- When your number is called, please go to the window Number #4 for your interview. The consular officer will tell you the results of your application at the end of your interview.
- If you are found eligible, your passport, with the visa inside, will be returned to you through Canada Post within 5 – 10 business days, depending on your address of residency.

Note: We do not guarantee that every case will be processed within seven to fourteen days. Some cases may require administrative processing, which could result in a delay of up to six weeks or more. Do not make any irrevocable travel plans until your visa is approved and your passport, with the U.S. visa, is back in your possession.

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