



Information for all Ethiopian applicants

The Council of the European Union has decided to temporarily suspend certain elements of the EU law that regulates the issuing of **Schengen visas** to Ethiopian nationals.

As of June 1, 2024, it will no longer be possible for EU member states:

- to waive requirements with regard to the evidence to be submitted by Ethiopian visa applicants (**all supporting documents will always need to be submitted**)
- to issue multiple entry visas (**only single entry visas will be issued**)
- to waive the visa fee for holders of diplomatic and service passports (**all visa applications for holders of Ethiopian diplomatic/service passports will require payment**)

Furthermore, **the standard visa-processing time now becomes 45 calendar days instead of 15.**

If you apply for a visa where the departure date is scheduled in less than 45 days from the date of submission, there is a chance that your visa will be refused.

The present decision is only applicable for Schengen visas (short-stay visas).

Thank you for your understanding