

Technical possibility of issuance of visas to Italy returned from May 30, 2022

Bank «Inteza» starts to accept payments for the Consular and service fees from May 30, 2022

Information that the Italian Visa Application Center and the «Inteza» bank are operating as usual appeared <u>On the website of the authorized Italian Visa Application Center VMS</u>. Earlier, the Italian Visa Application Centre temporarily suspended the acceptance of visa applications for applicants who needed to pay Consular and service fees. Earlier, «Inteza» bank, through which these payments were made, had reported technical problems which raised due to sanctions.

Also, in continuation of our <u>news</u>, we remind you that the Italian Visa Application Centres resumed accepting documents for issuing tourist visas for citizens of the Russian Federation, starting from March 01, 2022. The conditions for entry into Italy have also been simplified.

We draw your attention to the fact that the requirements for the financial guarantees which need to be provided have changed from March 21, 2022. Thus, you now need to provide an extract from the bank with the movement of funds for the last three months as a financial document (previously it was enough to have a certificate with the balance of the account). The statement must be "personal", sponsorship is only allowed for minors and only by their parents. The sum of financial guarantee required to travel to Italy is still calculated on the basis of the parameters approved be the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Italy and does not include the costs of travel tickets and accommodation.

At the same time, financial guarantees can be provided in rubles, dollars and pounds sterling in relation to the euro. If the currency in the certificate is not one of the above, it is necessary that the bank displays the currency conversion rate in the certificate at the time of its issuance.

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