



Information about how to file a Remonstrations

Your visa application has been rejected and you do not agree with the decision? In this case you or a third person who is authorized by you can remonstrate against the rejection of your visa and ask for a new decision on your application.

The remonstrations can be filed verbally at the Visa Section of the Embassy or in writing (by letter or by fax).

Please note the deadlines that have been changed:

Visa of the category „D“ (nationally issued visa)

The remonstrations can be filed within one (1) year after receipt of the rejection.

Visas of the category „C“ (Schengenvisa)

If your application for a visa was filed and rejected before April 5th 2010, the deadline to file the remonstrations is one (1) year as of the date of the rejection.

If your application for a visa **was submitted and rejected after April 5th 2010**, the deadline for filing the remonstrations is only 1 (one) month after receipt of the rejection

Since the Schengen Visa Codex came into effect on April 5th 2010, rejections are not only to be explained but also an advice regarding the legal remedy must be given. This, according to German Law on Administration, cuts short the deadline for a legal remedy to 1 (one) month.

Example: On April 8th you received your passport and the letter of rejection of your visa application. On the letter of rejection the date of submission (April 8th 2010) is stamped. Your remonstrations must therefore have been received by the German Embassy before or on May 7th 2010 at the latest.

Written Remonstrations must be sent to:

Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany
Visa section
25/F Tower 2, RCBC Plaza,
6819 Ayala Avenue,
Makati City 1200

By fax to:

(632) 7023015 or 702 3045

Your remonstrations must contain the following:

- Your name, first name, date of birth, place of birth, number of your passport
- Date of the rejection
- A serviceable address that contains the street name, house- or apartment number, City/ Town/ Village, postal code, if applicable: please state your e-mail address
- The remonstrations must be signed by your own hand

(A remonstrations by a third party e.g. your sponsor, can only be accepted and be worked on if a power of attorney given by you for the person is presented at the same time. In this case a remonstrations given by you is not necessary any more.)

Please give full details in your letter for which reason you want to go to Germany and for which reasons the stay is so important to you.

Please explain in detail why the rejection is unjustified in your view.

You may submit further documents together with the remonstrations which you did not submit with the first

application.

In principle it is admissible to submit your remonstrations by fax. The German Embassy would like to point out that **entries by fax are not processed preferentially**. There may furthermore be errors in the data transmission. Questions that result from this can not be followed up by the Visa section. Given those circumstances the remonstrations may not meet the minimum requirements and may thus not be processed.

The official language of the German Embassy is **GERMAN**, letters submitted by you in **English** will, however, be accepted.

Remonstrations, that do not meet the above mentioned minimum requirements, will not be processed.

Due to the aforementioned reasons **remonstrations by e-mail are not admissible.**

You may voice your remonstrations against the letter of rejection verbally when picking up your passport in person from the Visa Section of the German Embassy.

Please note:

If your remonstrations is filed against a rejection of a visa for a stay of more than 3 (three) months and / or for a work permit for Germany, please submit your remonstrations in **GERMAN language only**. This because the competent aliens authority in Germany will be involved in this kind of remonstrations.

Following completion of the re-examination, which may take several weeks, the German Embassy will contact you or you will receive an answer in writing from the visa section.

The German Embassy asks you to refrain from inquiries about the process of remonstrations while it is in progress, because inquiries will delay the process of decision of it unnecessarily.

The consultation of a travel agency or of a commercial company dealing with this matter is not necessary for the composition of the letter of remonstrations.