

EMERGENCY REQUESTS



If you need an expedited appointment please access the website <https://drc.usvisa-info.com/> and first book a regular appointment for one of the dates available. You may then request that your appointment be expedited by selecting the "Request Expedite" link on the "Application Summary Page" and follow the instructions.

NOTE: Vacation travel including marriages, graduations or other leisurely activities DO NOT qualify for an expedited/emergency appointment and will be denied. If you are a student and have been denied a student visa in the past 365 days, your request for an expedited appointment will be denied.

The following is a list of circumstances that may be considered for expedited appointments:

- a. An immediate relative's death, grave illness or life threatening accident taking place in the United States. You must include the name, relationship, place and description of the situation, and contact information for the attending physician or funeral home.
- b. Urgent medical treatment for the applicant or their minor child.
- c. An applicant for a student or exchange visitor (F/M/J) visa whose I-20 or DS-2019 has a start date of courses/program that is earlier than the first available visa appointment.
- d. An unexpected need to travel to the United States for urgent business purposes that is occurring within 10 days after the first available visa appointment.
- e. An unexpected visit that is of significant cultural, political, journalistic, sporting or economic importance that is occurring within 10 days after the first available visa appointment.

In your request, you must explain the nature of your emergency. If you are a student, please include the start date of your I-20 in your request. A Consular Officer will review your request and you will be notified whether your request for an expedited appointment has been approved or denied. You may also contact our call center via the following phone numbers: +243 973 774 050, +243 998 595 301, or +1.703.439.2375 if you are calling from within the United States. Thank you.