

What to expect the day of your visa interview at the U.S. Consulate General, Karachi

- Please plan to arrive no more than 15 minutes prior to your scheduled appointment time in order to go through security screening.
- No personal items are allowed into the Consular waiting area. You may bring only the documents necessary for your interview, including your passport, appointment packet, and other supporting documentation. You will be asked to check all bags, phones, computers, cameras, and other devices in the security area. You will receive a numbered token for reclaiming your items after the interview. ***Families with children and those with medical conditions may bring limited supplies of medicine, formula, diapers, or other necessities.*** All items will be subject to security screening.
- After security screening, you will proceed across the courtyard to the Consular waiting area.
- You will receive a numbered ticket. This number will be called when it is time for fingerprinting and again for your interview. The number will be displayed on the electronic signboard in the waiting area when it is time for your interview.
- You may be called to Window #2 for a double check of your passport and application information. After this, please have a seat until you are called for fingerprinting.
- When your ticket number is called, line up as instructed by the American Express attendants. When you enter the fingerprinting room, present your receipt to the attendant. The attendant will measure the height of all male applicants. The attendant may assist you by placing your fingers on the green screen and pressing down lightly.
- Fingerprints are taken in this order:
 1. Four fingers of the left hand
 2. Four fingers of the right hand
 3. Both thumbs together
- After fingerprinting, please have a seat in the waiting area. When your ticket number is called, proceed to the window indicated for your interview.
- The officer may ask questions regarding your purpose of travel, ties to Pakistan, work or schooling, family history, or other topics. Please answer honestly and in detail. You may be asked to show documents, but the officer is not required to review documentation in most cases.
- At the end of the interview the officer will do one of three things:
 - **Issue your visa.** In this case, we will retain your passport for completing the visa process. You should expect to receive your visa through AmEx in about one week's time.
 - **Put your case into administrative processing.** In this case, we are required to do some additional, routine processing on your case. We will be unable to issue the visa until the processing is completed. The officer will give you a letter explaining the administrative processing and details of how to proceed.
 - **Refuse your visa.** In this case, the officer has found that you do not qualify for a visa. The officer will return your passport and documents, provide you with a verbal explanation of the decision, and a letter outlining the section of U.S. immigration law related to the refusal.
- Your appointment is complete and you are free to depart the Consulate. Do not forget to pick up your personal items on the way out.

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PLACE FOUR FINGERS
OF YOUR LEFT HAND
AS SHOWN

اپنے بائیں ہاتھ کی چاروں انگلیاں
اس طرح رکھیے



2

PLACE FOUR FINGERS
OF YOUR RIGHT HAND
AS SHOWN

اپنے دائیں ہاتھ کی چاروں
انگلیاں اس طرح رکھیے



3

PLACE BOTH OF
YOUR THUMBS AS
SHOWN

اپنے دونوں انگوٹھے اس
طرح رکھیے

