



4-STEP STRATEGY

**Residency for family members
of Italian citizens**

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RESIDENCE PERMIT FOR FAMILY MEMBERS

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INTRODUCTORY NOTE: Entry to Italy

Please note that, before requesting a residence permit in Italy, the family member might need a VISA to enter Italy. That depends on their nationality and country of current residence. Find here the information to obtain a VISA for family members of Italian citizens.

In any case, before traveling to Italy and joining your Italian family member, it is important to have a formal invitation to show to the border police. Such form has to be signed by the Italian citizen. [Download the official form here: "Dichiarazione di alloggio"](#) The Italian citizen may or may not offer a bank guarantee as described in the official form. that is not mandatory.

The family members of Italian citizens within the second degree cannot be removed from Italy and can apply for a residence permit by making the following 4 steps:

STEP # 1. Official statement of hospitality

As soon as you move in with your Italian family member, have her/him sign a Statement of hospitality signed by the Italian citizen at the local police office *within 48 hours* from the arrival ("Cessione di fabbricato"). The competent office is the Questura or, where not available, the Commissariato di Pubblica sicurezza. Do not forget this: the the fine amounts to € 206,00 (if paid within 60 days. Otherwise it can escalate up to €1,500,00). [Download the official form here](#)

STEP # 2. Register your arrival

File in your form of Dichiarazione di Presenza within 8 days tot he local police office. [Download the official form here: "Dichiarazione di Presenza"](#)

STEP # 3. Tax Code

Request your tax code (Codice fiscale) before your visa expires by showing your passport at the local Tax Agency (Agenzia delle Entrate).

STEP # 4. Residence permit

Apply for your residence permit (called "Permesso per famiglia parenti di cittadino italiano entro il II° grado e conviventi (ex art. 19, comma 2, lett.c d.lgs. 286/1998) with the following documents:

1. A copy of your passport (no blank pages; show the original)
2. An official vital records proving your relationship to the Italian citizen:
 - for adult children or siblings, a birth record;
 - for aunts/uncles: birth records of the applicant and of the Italian citizen showing that they have at least one parent in common

NOTE: each official vital record issued outside of Italy must be original, in full format, legalized by the Italian consulate of the area in which the record was issued or with Apostille, then translated into Italian. The translation must be stamped with Apostilled or legalized by the Italian Consulate or by an Italian Court of Justice. If the vital record is issued by the Consulate of your country in Italy, it is necessary to make sure it contains the parents' data and to legalize the record at the local *Prefettura*;
3. Copy of your Italian family member's Italian ID-card or passport

4. Value stamp for € 16,00
5. Passport photos (5)
6. Post receipt of payment of € 30,46: costs for the residence permit in magnetic card format ("bollettino di 30,46 euro per permesso elettronico")
7. Post receipt of payment of € 50,00: process fees
8. Statement of hospitality signed by the Italian citizen at the local police office within 48 hours from the arrival ("cessione di fabbricato")
9. your current residence permit in Italy, if you have any, or your statement of arrival ("Dichiarazione di presenza" within 8 days from the arrival in Italy)
10. Your Italian tax code (to be requested asap at the local Agenzia delle Entrate, *before* the applicant's visa expires).