

Consulate General of India
Chicago

Resumption of all over-the-counter Miscellaneous Consular services at the Consulate]

Applications for Miscellaneous Consular Services (Attestation, Power of Attorney, Police Clearance Certificates, etc.) can be sent to the Consulate through postal mail or in person on any working day (except declared Holidays) between 09.00 AM - 12.15 PM by taking prior appointment by email at cons.chicago@mea.gov.in.

Before visit in person or sending by post.

Please visit the website,
<https://www.cgichicago.gov.in/page/launching-of-esewa-portal-for-misc-consular-service-seekers/> for availing various Miscellaneous Consular Services through Online Consular Services System (eSewa Portal).

It is mandatory to register the applicant on the above mentioned eSewa portal before in-person visit of sending applications through mail to the Consulate.

Queries related to Miscellaneous Consular services may also be emailed at cons.chicago@mea.gov.in

NOC For Transportation of Mortal Remains and Ashes

Death-related documents for carrying mortal remains and ashes of the deceased to India will be processed as per the convenience of the applicant irrespective of consular jurisdiction.

How to Apply in person:

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1. Download and fill the Miscellaneous Application form. Applicant may fill it up carefully and affix his/her photograph on the same. Here the 'applicant' is defined as a person who is a

relative/friend of the deceased or representative of a funeral home, authorized for processing documents.

2. Current Passport of the deceased in original and its photocopy.

3. Current Passport of the applicant in original and its photocopy. If the documentation is being done through a funeral home, the representative may submit his/her photo I/card and duly signed authorization letter issued by the funeral home.

4. Original and photocopy of the document showing valid US Visa Status of the relative or friend who is processing the documents on behalf of the deceased.

5. Original and photocopy of any of the following documents as proof of residence of the relative/friend who is doing the documentation work: US Driving License, Utility Bill, Lease Agreement, State Identity Card, or Mortgage Deed.

6. Carry all original supporting documents for presentation to the Consular Officer. Photocopies of these documents may be attached with the application. Ensure that photocopies are legible.

7. To carry Mortal Remains: Original and one copy of the following:

(a) Death Certificate, clearly stating a cause of death.

(b) Embalming Certificate from the concerned local authority or funeral home.

(c) Certificate from the concerned local authority stating that body of the deceased is free from any kind of infection (non-communicable disease).

8. To carry Ashes: Original and one copy of the following: (a) Death Certificate and (b) Cremation Certificate.

9. Applicant may also ascertain with the concerned Airlines about any additional documentary requirements and obtain those from the mortuary/funeral home. The Consulate provides only the NOC which is required for the transportation of Mortal Remains or Ashes. Rest is to be taken care of by the applicants themselves.

10. Fee: If deceased held an Indian passport: Gratis (No Fee). For non-Indian passport holders: US\$ 40.00 (Forty only) for carrying ashes and US\$ 60.00 (Sixty Only) for carrying mortal remains / body. In addition, a fee of US\$2.00 (Two Only) towards Indian Community Welfare Fund (ICWF). The fees should be paid as two separate money orders / cashier's cheques, drawn in the favour of 'Consulate General of India, Chicago'. Personal cheques, debit cards, credit cards or other banking instruments are not accepted.

11. Processing Time: Same day, however, if unforeseen technical reasons occur, services can be delayed till those problems are resolved.

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1. Applicants are required to send notarized copies of the above-mentioned documents except passport which is required in original if the deceased is an Indian passport holder (for cancellation of passport after death). For non-India passport holders notarized copy of passport is required. A traceable pre-paid self-addressed return mailing envelope is also required.

2. Fee: As given in the above section. **Cash is not accepted.**

3. All the above-mentioned required documents should be sent along with the requisite fee and the traceable pre-paid return mailing envelope to the following address :

Consulate General of India, Chicago
455 North Cityfront Plaza
Suite 850, NBC Tower
Chicago, IL 60611

Please mention "Consular Services - Miscellaneous (NOC FOR DEATH CASE)" on top of the envelope.