

# Urgent Information For Visa Applicants

Please review the information below before scheduling or attending a visa-related appointment.

[IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE VALIDITY OF YOUR VISA FEE \(/en-ec/iv/information/announcements#797-](#)

[important information about the validity of your visa fee 20230707202213\)](#)

[Important information about the privacy and security of your account on this website \(/en-ec/iv/information/announcements#790-](#)

[important information about the privacy and security of your account on this website 20230530195008\)](#)

[Update on Change to U.S. Travel Policy Requiring COVID-19 Vaccination for nonimmigrant travel \(/en-ec/iv/information/announcements#788-](#)

[update on change to u s travel policy requiring covid 19 vaccination for nonimmigrant travel 20230512005010\)](#)

[Nonimmigrant Visa Processing Fee Increase \(/en-ec/iv/information/announcements#775-](#)

[nonimmigrant visa processing fee increase 20230331193712\)](#)

[Important Announcement on Waivers of the Interview Requirement for Certain Nonimmigrant Visas](#)

[\(/https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/News/visas-news/important-announcement-on-waivers-of-the-interview-requirement-for-certain-nonimmigrant-visas.html\)](https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/News/visas-news/important-announcement-on-waivers-of-the-interview-requirement-for-certain-nonimmigrant-visas.html)

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## U.S. Visa and Travel Updates

For the latest information from the U.S. Department of State regarding visa issues and travel to the United States, please visit: <https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/News/visas-news.html> (<https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/News/visas-news.html>).

[More \(/en-ec/iv/information/announcements#611-u s visa and travel updates 20200916214654\)](#)

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# Welcome, U.S. Immigrant Visa Applicants

You are at the Official Immigrant (permanent) Visa support website for the U.S. Embassy in Ecuador.

## Message from the Embassy of the United States in Quito and Consulate in Guayaquil

Did you know you can apply for a visa at the Embassy in Quito or the Consulate in Guayaquil? The requirements and process are the same, but wait times can vary significantly between Quito and Guayaquil. You can find our wait times here: <https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/us-visas/visa-information-resources/wait-times.html> (<https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/us-visas/visa-information-resources/wait-times.html>).html. Applicants can apply for a visa at the Embassy or the Consulate regardless of which province they live in. If you already filled out the DS-160 and chose one location as your application location, you can also request an appointment the other location without filling out a new DS-160. You will see the date for the first available appointment for each location when you pay your visa fee and can then select either Quito or Guayaquil when you schedule your interview. Just click the drop-down menu for Consular Section Location and choose the location with the earliest appointment. [More \(/en-ec/iv/information/announcements#405-message-from-the-embassy-of-the-united-states-in-quito-and-consulate-in-guayaquil-20181218224625\)](#). [Register \(/en-ec/iv/information/iv\\_services\)](#).

Register your Consular Immigrant Visa appointment date and time or request Returning Resident support services.

[Continue \(/en-ec/iv/users/sign\\_in/iv\)](#).

Review and manage your existing Consular Immigrant Visa Appointment or Returning Resident request.

[Visa Information \(https://ais.usvisa-info.com/en-ec/iv/information/iv\\_overview\)](https://ais.usvisa-info.com/en-ec/iv/information/iv_overview).

Learn more about the Immigrant Visa application process.