

FOR TURKISH CITIZENS IN REDMOND

Turkish Consulate General in Los Angeles: 2026 Services Guide (for Redmond and Washington State)

Passport, ID card, birth and marriage registration, military service, power of attorney and apostille. What the trip from Redmond involves, how to book and how to reach them.

SHORT ANSWER

There is no Turkish consulate in Redmond, and none in Seattle either. Every consular matter for Turkish citizens in Washington State goes through the Consulate General of Türkiye in Los Angeles, at 8500 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 900, Beverly Hills, CA 90211, phone +1 424 313-8800. Passports are issued in person by appointment only. By road it is about 1,140 miles from Redmond, so this is a trip you take by air. In-person applications are taken weekdays 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., booked on konsolosluk.gov.tr.

Contact and booking

ITEM	INFORMATION
Address	8500 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 900, Beverly Hills, CA 90211
Phone	+1 424 313-8800
Consular Call Center (24/7)	+1 888 566 7656
After-hours emergency line	+1 310 779 3288
Email	consulate.losangeles@mfa.gov.tr
Office hours	Weekdays 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.
In-person application hours	Weekdays 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., by appointment
District	Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, Oregon, Utah, Washington, Wyoming and the Pacific islands
Education attaché (students)	5455 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 804, Los Angeles CA 90036 · +1 310 342 5222
Web	losangeles-cg.mfa.gov.tr

- 1 konsolosluk.gov.tr → Randevu Al
- 2 Türk Vatandaşları İçin Konsolosluk İşlemleri → Los Angeles Consulate General
- 3 Pick the service. Fees, document lists and the conditions for applying by mail are updated from time to time, so check the [consulate's site](#) before your appointment.

What this trip means if you live in Redmond

- **Driving is not an option:** about 1,140 miles. Plan a flight, a day off work and usually a night in a hotel.
- **Reaching the airport takes two steps from Redmond:** there is no direct train to Sea-Tac. You ride the 2 Line to International District/Chinatown and change there to the 1 Line toward Federal Way; because the same platforms are used, the transfer is a few steps on foot. No official figure is published for the total journey time, so we give none here; check Sound Transit's trip planner before you set out.
- **Applications are taken only in the morning**, which makes a same-day round trip tight.
- **The district:** living in Redmond, Bellevue or Kirkland makes no difference; the appointment is in Los Angeles.
- **Start early.** Put your passport expiry date in your calendar now. A Turkish passport's validity also matters for U.S. visa renewals and your I-94.
- **Bring every document.** One missing paper means a new appointment and another flight.

SERVICE	HOW
Passport	In person only, by appointment
Turkish ID card	In person, by appointment
Birth registration	In person or by mail
Marriage registration	In person or by mail
Power of attorney	At the consulate building only

Registering a Redmond-born child

Birth registration uses a certified copy of the birth certificate and can be done by mail, so you do not have to fly to Los Angeles for a child's registration. But **there is no vital records counter on the Eastside** and the Bellevue public health center does not provide the service either: in King County the certified copy comes from King County Vital Statistics, 201 S. Jackson St., Suite 220, Seattle WA 98104, 206-837-0719, weekdays 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (opening at 9 a.m. on the first Wednesday of the month). A certified copy is \$25, or \$28.50 from the VitalChek kiosk in the same building, ready in about 10 to 15 minutes; ordering by mail adds \$4. The hospital does not order the certificate for you. Order at least two certified copies.

Because there is no hospital in Redmond

Your baby is most likely born in Bellevue (Overlake) or Kirkland (EvergreenHealth), but the certificate still comes from King County. The baby's SSN application is a separate errand and there is no SSA office in Redmond; the nearest is in Bellevue at 636 120th Ave NE, Suite A100.

Marriage registration

Marriage licenses are not issued in Redmond, and not in Bellevue either. In King County only the Seattle counter issues them: King County Recorder's Office, 201 S. Jackson St., Suite 204 (2nd floor), Seattle WA 98104, weekdays 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., 206-477-6620. **There is no counter anywhere on the Eastside.** The fee is \$169; after the license is issued there is a 3-day wait and then it is valid for 60 days. Both parties must come in person, and the form has no SSN field and no blood test requirement. The county does not publish a list of accepted ID, so bring official photo identification such as a passport and call 206-477-6620 to confirm before you travel. The ceremony takes place in Washington, with two witnesses, performed by someone authorized under state law, and the officiant returns the certificate to the county. Certified copies are \$3 each and are not sent automatically. To register the marriage in Türkiye you need a certified copy with an apostille.

Getting from Redmond to Seattle

Because there is no alternative counter on the Eastside, what this section really means for Redmond is a travel plan. The recorder's office is in Pioneer Square, within walking distance of King Street Station, and you have two sensible options. **On the 2 Line:** about 41 minutes from Downtown Redmond station to International District/Chinatown, \$3.00 one way, with trains every 8 to 10 minutes all day; from the station it is a few blocks on foot to 201 S Jackson St. The office closes at 4:30 p.m., so travel in the morning. **By car:** parking in downtown Seattle costs money and the SR 520 bridge charges \$4.90 one way at peak; going by I-90 there is no bridge toll.

Military service

- **Registration (yoklama):** men born in 2007, and anyone without a deferral, must complete it by December 31, 2026, through the consulate or e-Devlet.
- **Paid military service (dövizle askerlik), July to December 2026:** the foreign-currency equivalent of 472,653.60 TL, collected in U.S. dollars at the Turkish central bank rate of the payment day. Ask the mission whether a transfer fee is added. The amount changes on January 1, 2027.
- **Conditions:** a U.S. residence or work permit, at least 3 years (1,095 days) of work abroad excluding time spent in Türkiye, the [MSB online training](#), and residence in the mission's district. Redmond is in the Los Angeles district. Applications are in person and by appointment only.
- **F-1 students** defer through the education attaché.
- **Timing:** booking a flight and an appointment takes time, so do not leave it to the last week of the window.

Power of attorney

Issued only in person and at the consulate building, so a power of attorney also means a trip to Los Angeles. Check the fee and the documents with the consulate before you apply.

Apostille on a Washington document

There is no apostille counter in Redmond. Documents issued in Washington or notarized by a Washington notary get their apostille from the Secretary of State's apostille program. The fee is \$15 per document, not per page. An apostille goes only on a certified copy. Türkiye and the U.S. are both parties to the Hague Apostille Convention, so no further consular legalization is needed.

ROUTE	WHERE	TIME AND EXTRA FEE
Mail (standard)	PO Box 40228, Olympia WA 98504-0228	About 7 to 10 business days, no extra fee
Same day, in person	243 Israel Rd SE, Tumwater WA 98501 or 960 Washington St, Cheney WA 99004	Same day, extra fee applies

The apostille program's phone number is 360-725-0377. Tumwater is a long way from Redmond, near Olympia, so for anything that is not urgent mail is far easier.

PLANNING THE TRIP FROM REDMOND

- Book the appointment first, then the flight.
- Applications are taken only in the morning, so arriving the evening before is the safest plan.
- Allow for the transfer if you take the train to the airport: you change from the 2 Line to the 1 Line at International District/Chinatown.

DO NOT CONFUSE THIS WITH YOUR U.S. IMMIGRATION MATTERS

The consulate handles Türkiye-related business. Your U.S. visa, green card and citizenship applications are matters for USCIS and the U.S. State Department. Before traveling to Türkiye with a green card application pending, check your advance parole.



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