

FOR TURKISH CITIZENS IN ROSWELL

From Roswell to the Turkish Consulate General in Miami: 2026 Guide

There is no Turkish consulate in Georgia. Steps for a passport, an ID card, birth and marriage registration, military service, a power of attorney and the apostille you get in Atlanta.

SHORT ANSWER

There is no Turkish consulate in Georgia. Turkish citizens in the state are served by the **Turkish Consulate General in Miami**: 80 SW 8th St, Suite 2700, Miami FL 33130, on +1 786 655 03 15. Its district is Florida, Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina and Puerto Rico. In-person applications are taken on weekdays between **9 a.m. and 1 p.m.** only. The drive is long: about **683 miles** from Roswell and more than 12 and a half hours of pure driving, by our own calculation rather than an official figure. Group everything that needs you in person into one appointment.

Contact and appointments

DETAIL	INFORMATION
Address	80 SW 8th St, Suite 2700, Miami FL 33130
Phone	+1 786 655 03 15 · fax +1 786 310 75 84
Emergency (duty line)	+1 305 646 82 08
Email	consulate.miami@mfa.gov.tr
In-person applications	Weekdays 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., by appointment
Phone and postal matters	Weekdays 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.
District	Florida, Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina and Puerto Rico
Is there a nearer mission	No. The Turkish Embassy in Washington and the Consulate General in Houston do not list Georgia in their districts

From Roswell to Miami: this is not a day trip

- **Driving is a two-day journey.** From the Roswell City Hall area the drive is about **683 miles** and more than 12 and a half hours of pure driving. We computed that with open road map data; it is not an official statement, and it excludes stops, meals and traffic.

- **Flying is more reasonable**, about two hours from ATL to Miami. But this round **we could not verify a single flight time or fare** (airline pages are closed to automated reading), so we print no schedules or prices. MIA to the consulate is about 12 miles.
- **Book the appointment at the start of the window.** In-person intake closes at 1 p.m., so setting out with a 12:30 appointment is a risk.
- **Count the airport run.** From Roswell the route to ATL is GA 400 south and then I-285 or I-85, through some of the most congested stretches in the metro. **We print no minutes here:** no official travel time for Roswell is published, and the neighboring city's "30 minutes from the airport" is its own marketing line. At peak the Holcomb Bridge Road exit alone takes time, so allow generously for an international flight.
- **Plan one hotel night from the start.** Returning the same day is theoretically possible but needs a very early flight out and an evening flight back, which is not reasonable for a family with children. That is our assessment, not a statement by the consulate.
- **Do not buy the ticket before the appointment is confirmed**, and check the holiday calendar before you book.
- **Do not count on a mobile consulate:** we saw no announced mobile consular visit to Atlanta or Georgia on the consulate's announcement and appointment pages. Do not hang an urgent matter on such a visit appearing.
- **By transit to the airport:** MARTA rail does not reach Roswell. You take bus 85 or 185 to North Springs Station and change to the Red Line for Airport Station, which is inside the Domestic Terminal. Because the bus comes every 40 minutes it is not realistic for an early flight; driving to North Springs and taking the train is more predictable.

How to book

- 1 konsolosluk.gov.tr, or the appointment menu on the consulate's own site.
- 2 Consular services for Turkish citizens, then the Miami Consulate General.
- 3 Pick the service. Each service needs its own appointment. Fees and required documents are updated from time to time, so check them item by item on miami-cg.mfa.gov.tr before you travel.
- 4 **Group everything that has to be done in person into one appointment:** try to put your passport, ID card, power of attorney and military service business on the same day. A missing document means a new appointment and a new plane ticket.

Which service works how

SERVICE	HOW
Passport	In person only, by appointment
ID card	In person, by appointment
Birth registration	In person or by post
Marriage registration	In person or by post
Military service (deferment, paid service, exemption)	By appointment

SERVICE	HOW
Citizenship, death, criminal record, service of documents	By appointment
Power of attorney	At the consulate building only
Formula A, B and C documents and civil registry extracts	Can be requested by post through online.konsolosluk.gov.tr

Registering a child born in Roswell

DOCUMENT	NOTES
☐ A certified copy of the birth certificate	There is no vital records counter inside Roswell. The nearest walk-in point is the Fulton County Board of Health center in Alpharetta, 4700 North Point Parkway, on (770) 520-7500, weekdays 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.: \$25 including one certified copy, each extra copy \$5. Call before you go; two pages of the same agency are inconsistent about that counter. Postal and online orders can take up to 10 weeks, so going in person is much faster
☐ Parent identification	A Turkish ID card or passport
☐ Marriage certificate	If you have one
☐ Multiple citizenship form	Because the child is a U.S. citizen
☐ Ask for at least two certified copies	One stays with the U.S. passport application and one goes for the apostille; at \$5 an extra copy, taking several usually makes sense. Get the certificate in hand before you book the Miami appointment
☐ A baby born in Roswell	The record is filed with the Georgia vital records system by the city's hospital, Wellstar North Fulton Medical Center, but the hospital does not order for you and the first certified copy is not free; it can take a few weeks for the record to reach the system
☐ Spelling of the name	Make sure the spelling on the birth certificate matches your passport and your immigration file; a later correction costs both money and time. There is no passport acceptance facility in Roswell for the baby's U.S. passport either, the nearest being the Fulton County counter on Roswell Road, where only a money order is accepted

The apostille: the GSCCCA is the only authority in Georgia

The **Secretary of State does not issue apostilles**; it only does Great Seal authentications for countries that are not party to the Hague Convention (404-656-2871). Türkiye has been a party since 1985, so your document goes to the **Georgia Superior Court Clerks' Cooperative Authority (GSCCCA)**: 1875 Century Blvd, Suite 100, Atlanta GA 30345, on 404-327-6023, notary@gsccca.org, weekdays 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., no appointment, **\$3 per document**, and walk-in service usually takes under 20 minutes. The office is in the Century Center area, reached on GA 400 and I-285 with no need to go downtown. Take the certified original with you; a photocopy does not work, and the GSCCCA recommends a copy issued after the year 2000

because the signature is on file. By mail it is 1 to 2 business days after arrival: enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope and **state the country the document is going to**. Payment is a check or money order payable to the GSCCCA, or a credit card through the agency's online pre-payment voucher. Federal documents such as an FBI criminal record go not to the GSCCCA but to the Authentications Office of the Department of State, and a document from another state cannot be apostilled in Georgia. An apostille does not require a translation; if you want to apostille a translation, the translator has to sign an affidavit before a Georgia notary.

Military service and the time difference

- **Registration (yoklama):** those born in 2007 and anyone liable without a deferment must complete registration through the consulate or e-Devlet **by December 31, 2026**.
- **Paid military service (July 1 to December 31, 2026):** the foreign currency equivalent of 472,653.60 Turkish lira. The Miami consulate collects it in dollars at the central bank rate on the day of payment; ask before your appointment whether a transfer charge applies. The amount changes on January 1, 2027.
- **Conditions:** living in the United States with a residence or work authorization, having worked abroad for at least 3 years (1,095 days) excluding time spent in Türkiye, completing the online course at dovizle.msb.gov.tr, and living in the mission's district. Roswell is in the Miami district. Applications are in person and by appointment only.
- **Dual citizens:** people born in the United States, or who arrived as minors and naturalized, can defer until the end of age 35 once the U.S. citizenship is registered with the Turkish civil registry; for them the work condition does not apply and 3 years abroad is enough. **F-1 students:** deferment runs through an education attaché, so ask the consulate which one applies to you.
- **Timing matters especially from Roswell:** because the transaction is in person and the Miami trip means a flight plus a hotel night, do not leave the appointment to the last week of the window; the new year and holidays fall in the way.
- **The time difference:** Türkiye stays on UTC+3 all year while Roswell is on Eastern Time and changes clocks twice a year. The gap is **7 hours until November 1, 2026** and **8 hours** between November 1, 2026 and March 14, 2027. When it is 9 a.m. in Roswell it is 4 p.m. in Istanbul in summer and 5 p.m. in winter, so use the early morning to reach an office in Türkiye during its working hours.
- **The Istanbul flight:** Turkish Airlines flies nonstop between Hartsfield-Jackson (ATL) and Istanbul Airport (IST), averaging about 11 hours. We could not find the number of weekly flights on the official page, so check the current days and times on the airline's Atlanta page; the U.S. reservation line is (800) 874-8875. At ATL the MARTA train arrives at the Domestic Terminal, and reaching the international terminal needs the free shuttle or the Plane Train inside security.

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

The consulate handles matters relating to Türkiye. Your U.S. visa, green card or citizenship applications are for USCIS and the U.S. State Department. If you have naturalized, remember to register your U.S. citizenship with the Turkish civil registry through Miami; for dual citizens that step also comes before a military service deferment. Before you travel to Türkiye with a pending green card application, check your advance parole status: leaving the country without it can mean you are treated as having abandoned the application, with some exceptions such as H-1B and L-1. For green card holders, a long stay abroad can also create problems in keeping the card. If you are taken into custody, Article 36 of the Vienna Convention on Consular Relations lets you ask that your consulate be notified.



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