

FOR TURKISH CITIZENS IN SAN FRANCISCO

Turkish Consulate General in Los Angeles: Guide for San Francisco and Northern California, 2026

There is no Turkish consulate in San Francisco. Passports, ID cards, birth and marriage registration, military service and powers of attorney go through the Los Angeles Consulate General.

SHORT ANSWER

There is no Turkish consulate or honorary consulate in San Francisco or elsewhere in Northern California. Turkish citizens in the area handle consular business at the Turkish Consulate General in Los Angeles, which is actually located in Beverly Hills: 8500 Wilshire Blvd, Suite 900, Beverly Hills, CA 90211, +1-424-313-8800. In-person services run weekdays 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., and each service needs its own appointment on konsolosluk.gov.tr. Beverly Hills is about 380 miles from San Francisco: a long drive or a short domestic flight.

Contact and appointments

TOPIC	DETAILS
Address	In the Beverly Hills business district: 8500 Wilshire Blvd, Suite 900, Beverly Hills, CA 90211
Phone	+1-424-313-8800 · after-hours emergency (Sentinel) line: +1-310-779-3288
Email	consulate.losangeles@mfa.gov.tr
Consular Call Center (24/7)	+1 888 566 7656
In-person hours	Monday to Friday 9:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m., by appointment
General office hours	8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and 2:00-5:00 p.m.
Websites	losangeles-cg.mfa.gov.tr (English), losangeles-bk.mfa.gov.tr (Turkish)
Jurisdiction	Alaska, Arizona, California (including San Francisco), Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, Oregon, Utah, Washington, Wyoming, plus the Northern Mariana Islands, Guam and American Samoa
Consul General	Menekşe Onuk

- 1 konsolosluk.gov.tr → Randevu Al (Book an appointment)
- 2 Türk Vatandaşları İçin Konsolosluk İşlemleri → Los Angeles

- 3 Choose the service. Each service needs its own appointment.

Passports

In person and by appointment only; no mail applications. Bring your Turkish ID card, your old passport and one biometric photo. Fees are set centrally and change from time to time; check the consulate's own information page for the current 2026 fee schedule.

Turkish ID card

In person, by appointment. If you married in the U.S., the marriage must be registered before a new ID card application.

Registering a U.S.-born child (birth registration)

DOCUMENT	NOTES
☐ Application form	From the consulate information note
☐ Original birth certificate and a copy	Parents' names must match Turkish records. For a child born in San Francisco, one office handles it: the County Clerk at City Hall, Room 160. An online order is picked up at the office, and you can also apply in person or by notarized mail. If the record is not found locally, the county requests it from the California Department of Public Health, which can add 4 to 6 weeks. Check the current fee on sf.gov.
☐ Parents' IDs	Turkish ID card or passport
☐ Marriage certificate	If applicable
☐ Multiple citizenship form	Because the child is a U.S. citizen
☐ Translation	Translation of the birth certificate if one parent is not Turkish

Marriage registration

In San Francisco, one office issues marriage licenses: the County Clerk at City Hall, Room 160, by appointment. Public and confidential licenses cost the same, \$129 (fee schedule effective July 1, 2026). There is no waiting period, the license is valid for 90 days, and both people appear in person with valid photo ID (a passport is accepted). A civil ceremony at City Hall is \$113. After the ceremony you can order a certified copy of the marriage record from the Assessor-Recorder (City Hall, Room 190), \$19 per copy by mail. You then register the U.S. marriage with the consulate by appointment. Before you apply, check the consulate's information notes for whether it can be done by mail, the current document list and fees.

Military service

- **Registration (yoklama):** men born in 2007 and others without a deferral must register by December 31, 2026, through the consulate or e-Devlet.
- **Paid military service (dövizle askerlik), July 1 to December 31, 2026:** the foreign-currency equivalent of 472,653.60 TL, collected in U.S. dollars at the Central Bank rate of the payment day. Ask the consulate about any transfer fee and the payment method before your appointment. The amount changes on January 1, 2027.
- **Requirements:** working in the U.S. with residence or work authorization, at least 3 years (1,095 days) of work abroad excluding time in Türkiye, completing the online training at dovizle.msb.gov.tr, and living in the consulate's district. In person, by appointment.
- **Dual citizens:** those born in the U.S. or who came before age 18 can defer until the end of age 35, after registering their U.S. citizenship with the Turkish civil registry.
- **F-1 students:** deferral is handled through an education attaché; ask the consulate which one serves you.

Powers of attorney

In person, by appointment, and only at the consulate building. Bring the application form, your Turkish ID card, and the agent's name, Turkish ID number and date of birth. Some transactions require a photo. Fees vary by subject and length; ask the consulate for current amounts.

Documents for Türkiye: apostilles

Türkiye has been a party to the Hague Apostille Convention since 1985, so a California apostille needs no further consular legalization. There is no apostille office in San Francisco. The nearest permanent office is in Sacramento (1500 11th Street), and the Los Angeles office is about 380 miles away. For most people in San Francisco, mailing the document is the most realistic route: Notary Public Section, P.O. Box 942877, Sacramento, CA 94277-0001, \$20 per document, with no expedited mail service. A one-day apostille event is planned in Richmond (East Bay) on December 9, 2026; check sos.ca.gov closer to the date for the venue and hours.

VISITING THE CONSULATE

- In-person services run in the morning only. The consulate is in an office building on Wilshire Boulevard, so leave time for building security and parking.
- Coming from San Francisco, plan your travel time and appointment time together. Avoid booking on official holidays; check the consulate's site for the current 2026 holiday calendar.

NOT THE SAME AS U.S. IMMIGRATION

The consulate handles Turkish matters. U.S. visas, green cards and naturalization are handled by USCIS and the U.S. Department of State. If a green card application is pending, check your advance parole status before traveling to Türkiye.



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