

FOR TURKISH CITIZENS IN SEATTLE

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

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

SHORT ANSWER

There is no Turkish consulate in Seattle. 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, so you have to fly from Seattle to Los Angeles and usually stay a night. 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 and document lists are updated from time to time, so confirm them when you book or on the consulate's site.

What this means if you live in Seattle

- **The consulate is not in Seattle.** Living in Seattle, Bellevue or Tacoma makes no difference; the appointment is in Los Angeles.
- **Passports are in person.** Passport and Turkish ID card applications cannot be done by mail. Plan a flight from Seattle to Los Angeles, a day off work and usually a night in a hotel. Applications are taken only in the morning, which makes a same-day round trip tight.
- **Do not count on a mobile consulate.** The mission's announcement archive shows mobile consular services in Seattle only in 2013. Nothing is announced for 2026.
- **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.
- **Closed days:** the mission's remaining 2026 holidays are October 12, October 29 (Turkish Republic Day), November 11, November 26 and December 25, then January 1, 2027.

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 Seattle-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. 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. A copy is \$25, or \$28.50 from the kiosk in the same building, ready in about 10 to 15 minutes. The hospital does not order the certificate for you, so request it yourself. Order at least two certified copies.

Marriage registration

To marry in Seattle you get a license from the King County Recorder's Office (201 S. Jackson St., Suite 204): \$169, a 3-day wait, valid for 60 days. Certified copies of the marriage certificate are \$3 each and are not sent automatically, so ask for them. To register the marriage in Türkiye you need a certified copy with an apostille.

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 at dovizle.msb.gov.tr, and an in-person appointment in the mission's district. Seattle is in the Los Angeles district.
- **Dual citizens:** people born in the U.S., or who arrived as minors and naturalized, can defer until the end of age 35 once their U.S. citizenship is recorded in the Turkish civil registry.
- **F-1 students** defer through the education attaché.
- **Timing:** booking a flight and an appointment from Seattle takes time, and the mission is closed on December 25, so do not leave it to the last week.

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 Seattle. 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. By mail (PO Box 40228, Olympia WA 98504-0228) it takes about 7 to 10 business days. Same-day service exists only at the Tumwater office (243 Israel Rd SE) and the Cheney office (960 Washington St), for \$150 extra. Tumwater is south of Seattle, so mail is usually the easier route. 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.

PLANNING THE TRIP FROM SEATTLE

- Book the appointment first, then the flight.
- Applications are taken only in the morning, so arriving the evening before is the safest plan.
- Keep your appointment away from the closed days (October 12, October 29, November 11, November 26, December 25).

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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