



**Consulate General of Italy
Lagos**

ENTRY VISA FOR “SPORTS COMPETITION” (V.S.U.)

The sports competition visa allows entry, for a short stay, to foreign athletes intending to participate in individual competitions or a series of sporting events – whether professional or amateur – as well as to coaches, technical directors, athletic trainers, or accompanying staff.

To apply for the visa, the following must be submitted:

1. Residence visa application form duly completed and signed;
2. Valid passport with an expiry date at least three months beyond the duration of stay;
3. One recent ICAO-format photo;
4. Written communication from C.O.N.I. or the relevant Italian sports federation confirming the importance of the competition and the participation of the athlete or sports group;
5. Documentation proving the availability of adequate financial means of support not less than the amount established by regulations (pursuant to the Directive of the Ministry of the Interior of 1/3/2006);
6. Round-trip flight reservation;
7. Documented availability of accommodation (hotel booking, hospitality declaration, etc.);
8. Travel health insurance valid for the entire visa period, with minimum coverage of €30,000 for emergency hospitalization and repatriation expenses.

ATTENTION: The above list of documents should be considered indicative for applicants. The Consulate reserves the right to carry out further checks depending on the case and to request additional documentation.