



WHAT IS AIRE?

A.I.R.E. is the Registry of Italian Citizens Residing Abroad. This registry is managed by the Italian municipalities (Comuni) and it is based on the data they receive from the consular representations.

The Italian law provides for the right-obligation to register with A.I.R.E. with regards to:

- Italian citizens who resides or plan to reside outside the Italian borders for more than 12 months ([art. 6 legge 470/1988](#)):
- People who already reside abroad, both because they were born abroad or for subsequent acquisition of Italian citizenship.

Registration with A.I.R.E. is **FREE OF CHARGE**.

WHY REGISTERING WITH AIRE?

Registration with A.I.R.E. is a citizen's right and duty and it is a prerequisite for benefitting from a series of services provided by the Consular Representations abroad, as well as for exercising important rights, such as:

- Vote for the Italian elections;
- Obtaining/renewing identity documents, travel documents, and certifications;
- Ask for the confirmation of the validity of their Italian driving licence as long as the licence is of A or B category and expired no more than 5 years ago.

WHO NEED TO REGISTER WITH AIRE?

- Citizens who transferred or intend to transfer their residence abroad for more than 12 months. In this case, the registration with A.I.R.E. must be done within 90 days of the transfer of residence. You can always register with A.I.R.E. even after this period of time;
- Those who were born abroad and who have always resided outside the Italian borders;
- Those who acquired Italian citizenship abroad.

The following people shall **not** register with A.I.R.E:

- People who intend to reside abroad for a period of time shorter than 12 months;
- Seasonal workers;
- Permanent civil servants and State employees serving abroad, who are notified under the Vienna Conventions on Diplomatic Relations and Consular Relations of 1961 and 1963, respectively;
- Italian military personnel serving in NATO offices and facilities located abroad.