How long does it take to get an apostille from the US Department of State?

It all depends on the U.S Department of State (USDOS).

Pre-COVID, we (or any other company like ours) used to be able to file and obtain **Department of State apostille** and authentication certificates for our clients in only 3-4 business days because we could physically walk into the United States Department of State building in Washington D.C to hand file documents.

From March 2020 to March 2024, the United States Department of State was taking an insane 8-14 weeks to turn around documents once they received them from us (or any person or company).

In 2025, it's currently taking the US Department of State around 7-9 business days to issue a federal apostille or federal authentication certificate on any type of document for any country once we hand submit documents to them in person, excluding Friday (they are no longer open on this day) and all major federal holidays.