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# Residence permit for spouses and children of holders of an EU Blue Card

Issuing or extending a residence permit for

- spouses,
- same-sex life partners or
- minor children

of foreigners who hold a EU Blue Card.

## **Important note:**

Does the relative with whom you want to live in Berlin have a

- temporary residence permit or
- permanent residence title or
- German citizenship?

Then please choose another service (see section "More information").

## **Prerequisites**

- **Main residence in Berlin**  
A second home in Berlin is not sufficient.
- **Joint visit of the family**  
You can only make the application at our location in Keplerstrasse. Please book an appointment if possible.
- **Living in a family unit**  
You live together in a common housing.

## **Documents required**

- **Application form (filled out)**  
Please fill in one form for each person who wishes to apply for a residence permit.  
(not necessary for the extension of the residence permit)
- **Valid passport**
- **current biometric photo**  
([https://www.berlin.de/lab0/\\_assets/kraftfahrzeugwesen/foto-mustertafel.pdf](https://www.berlin.de/lab0/_assets/kraftfahrzeugwesen/foto-mustertafel.pdf))  
35mm x 45mm, frontal shot with neutral facial expression and closed mouth, looking straight into the camera, light background
- **To join your spouse: marriage certificate**  
(not necessary for the extension of the residence permit)
- **To join your same sex civil partner: partnership certificate**  
(not necessary for the extension of the residence permit)
- **To join your parents: birth certificate**  
(not necessary for the extension of the residence permit)
- **In certain circumstances: proof of custody**  
If you want to join one of your parents in Berlin, and the other parent does not live in Germany.  
(not necessary for the extension of the residence permit)
- **For all foreign documents: translation, possibly with an additional**

### **apostil or confirmation of authenticity**

(<https://www.auswaertiges-amt.de/en/urkundenverkehrteilb/231968>)

Bitte legen Sie von allen ausländischen Urkunden eine beglaubigte Übersetzung vor.

Je nach Herkunftsland benötigen Sie zu der Urkunde auch eine Apostille oder Legalisation.

- **Lease that states the current rental cost**

- **Health insurance**

Proof of a secure livelihood must also include sufficient health insurance.

Those with statutory health insurance are sufficiently insured. Those with private health insurance must consider the type and extent of their health insurance.

Please read the leaflet for more information.

- **Proof that the livelihood of the family is / has been secured**

- Employment contract,
- Current certificate of employment (not older than 14 days) and the
- Last 6 salary slips

- **Proof of main residence in Berlin**

- Certificate of registration at the main residence (Meldebestätigung) or
- lease and written confirmation of occupancy from the landlord

## **Forms**

- **Antrag auf Erteilung eines Aufenthaltstitels (Application for Issuance of a Residence Permit) - in German, English, French, Italian**

([https://www.berlin.de/formularverzeichnis/?formular=/labo/zuwanderung/\\_asets/lea-agen1-antrag\\_engl\\_frz\\_ital-112021.pdf](https://www.berlin.de/formularverzeichnis/?formular=/labo/zuwanderung/_asets/lea-agen1-antrag_engl_frz_ital-112021.pdf))

- **Antrag auf Erteilung eines Aufenthaltstitels (Application for Issuance of a Residence Permit) - in German, Greek, Turkish, Vietnamese**

([https://www.berlin.de/formularverzeichnis/?formular=/labo/zuwanderung/\\_asets/lea-agen2-antrag\\_griech\\_tuerk\\_viet-112021.pdf](https://www.berlin.de/formularverzeichnis/?formular=/labo/zuwanderung/_asets/lea-agen2-antrag_griech_tuerk_viet-112021.pdf))

- **Antrag auf Erteilung eines Aufenthaltstitels (Application for Issuance of a Residence Permit) - in German, Spanish, Portuguese, Russian**

([https://www.berlin.de/formularverzeichnis/?formular=/labo/zuwanderung/\\_asets/lea-agen3-antrag\\_span\\_port\\_russ-112021.pdf](https://www.berlin.de/formularverzeichnis/?formular=/labo/zuwanderung/_asets/lea-agen3-antrag_span_port_russ-112021.pdf))

- **Antrag auf Erteilung eines Aufenthaltstitels (Application for Issuance of a Residence Permit) - in German, Serbian, Bosnian**

([https://www.berlin.de/formularverzeichnis/?formular=/labo/zuwanderung/\\_asets/lea-agen4\\_-antrag\\_serb\\_bos-112021\\_final.pdf](https://www.berlin.de/formularverzeichnis/?formular=/labo/zuwanderung/_asets/lea-agen4_-antrag_serb_bos-112021_final.pdf))

- **Information on adequate health insurance**

([https://www.berlin.de/formularverzeichnis/?formular=/labo/zuwanderung/\\_asets/mdb-f131960-labo\\_4326\\_merkblatt\\_krankenversicherungsschutz\\_05.13\\_engl\\_.pdf](https://www.berlin.de/formularverzeichnis/?formular=/labo/zuwanderung/_asets/mdb-f131960-labo_4326_merkblatt_krankenversicherungsschutz_05.13_engl_.pdf))

## **Fees**

For the first issuance of the residence permit:

- Adults: 100.00 euros
- Minors: 50.00 euros

- Turkish citizens: a maximum of 37.00 euros

For the extension of the residence permit:

- Adults: 93.00 euros
- Minors: 46.50 euros
- Turkish citizens: a maximum of 37.00 euros

## Legal basis

- **Aufenthaltsgesetz (AufenthG) §§ 27, 29, 30, 32**  
([https://www.gesetze-im-internet.de/englisch\\_aufenthg/englisch\\_aufenthg.html#p0743](https://www.gesetze-im-internet.de/englisch_aufenthg/englisch_aufenthg.html#p0743))

## Average time to process request

Around 5–6 weeks

A personal visit four to six weeks before the existing temporary residence title expires is best. If possible you should book an appointment for this.

## More information

- **Residence permit for spouses, parents and children of foreign citizens (general)**  
(<https://service.berlin.de/dienstleistung/305289/en/>)
- **Residence permit for spouses and children of skilled workers, students, trainees, scientists and teachers**  
(<https://service.berlin.de/dienstleistung/327471/>)
- **Residence permit for spouses, parents and children of German citizens**  
(<https://service.berlin.de/dienstleistung/328191/en/>)
- **Residence permit for spouses, parents and children of persons eligible for subsidiary protection**  
(<https://service.berlin.de/dienstleistung/328281/en/>)
- **Certificate of registration at the main residence (Meldebestätigung)**  
(<https://service.berlin.de/dienstleistung/120686/>)
- **Example: confirmation of occupancy from the landlord**  
([https://www.berlin.de/formularverzeichnis/?formular=/labo/zentrale-einwohnerangelegenheiten/\\_assets/mdb-f402544-20161102\\_wohnungsgeberbestaetigung.pdf](https://www.berlin.de/formularverzeichnis/?formular=/labo/zentrale-einwohnerangelegenheiten/_assets/mdb-f402544-20161102_wohnungsgeberbestaetigung.pdf))

## Hinweise zur Zuständigkeit

This service can only be taken advantage of in the Berlin Immigration Office (Landesamt für Einwanderung – LEA) at Keplerstrasse.