

residency permit card for family members of nationals of EU member states (except Germany), Norway, Iceland or Liechtenstein (EEA states)

Please note: This service is *not available for family members* (spouses, parents, children) *of German citizens*. If you are a family member of a German citizen, please read the following information and apply for a [\[\[https://service.berlin.de/dienstleistung/305289/en/Residence permit for spouses, parents and children\]\]](https://service.berlin.de/dienstleistung/305289/en/Residence%20permit%20for%20spouses,%20parents%20and%20children)

The residence card is issued to family members who

* are not nationals of a Member State of the European Union - EU or the European Economic Area - EEA (Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway)

and

* who are cohabiting as a family with a citizen of the EU or the EEA
* who is entitled to free movement.

The residence card is generally issued for 5 years. It certifies the right of entry and residence. Any gainful employment (employment or self-employment) is therefore permitted.

Family members of Germans do not receive a residence card in pursuance of the Freizügigkeitsgesetz [Freedom of Movement Act]. They may receive a residence permit in pursuance of the Aufenthaltsgesetz [Residence Act], if they are not themselves EU or EEA citizens (see under 'More information').

Prerequisites

- Family member is not an EU or EEA citizen
- Right of freedom of movement applies
 - Family members only enjoy a right of residence derived from the EU/EEA citizen, if the latter enjoys the right to free movement, e.g. as
 - * an employee
 - * a self-employed person
 - * a non-employed person
- Family relationship with a citizen of the EU (except Germany) or EEA
 - Family members in pursuance of the Freedom of Movement Act are, in particular,
 - * spouses/same-sex registered life partners or

- * minor, unmarried children or
- * parents

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- Living in a family unit
The family member and the EU/EEA citizen must be living in a family unit in Berlin.
- Main residence in Berlin
- A personal interview is required

Documents required

- Valid passport
- 1 current biometric photo
35mm x 45mm, frontal shot with neutral facial expression and closed mouth, looking straight into the camera, light background

http://www.berlin.de/labo/_assets/kraftfahrzeugwesen/foto-mustertafel.pdf
- form "Angaben zur Ausstellung einer Aufenthaltskarte" (filled out)
- Proof of relationship
i.e. certificate of birth, marriage certificate, partnership certificate
- Proof of registered residence of the EU or EEA citizen
- Proof of the right to free movement of the EU/EEA citizen
In individual cases, proof of the right of freedom of movement of the EU/EEA citizen may be required. Please therefore bring the following documents with you:
 - * for employees: confirmation from the employer of the appointment or employment
 - * for self-employed workers: business registration, tax number, current tax demand
 - * for non-employed persons: proof of health insurance and means of subsistence
- Proof of main residence in Berlin
 - * Certificate of registration at the main residence *or*
 - * lease and written confirmation of occupancy from the landlord

Forms

- Angaben zur Ausstellung einer Aufenthaltskarte (Information on the issue of a residency permit card)
https://www.berlin.de/formularverzeichnis/?formular=/labo/zuwanderung/_asets/mdb-f403267-labo_4330_m_antrag_daueraufenthaltsbesch_f_r_unions_b_rger_antrag_daueraufenthaltskarte_angaben_aufenthaltskarte_f_drittstaatsangeh_rige_familienang_.pdf

Fees

From 1 September 2017:

* 10.00 to 28.80 euros (depending on the technical effort)

Legal basis

- section 5 para. 1 Freizügigkeitsgesetz/EU - FreizügG/EU
http://www.gesetze-im-internet.de/englisch_freiz_gg_eu/englisch_freiz_gg_eu.html#p0071

More information

- Certificate of registration at the main residence (Meldebestätigung)
<https://service.berlin.de/dienstleistung/120686/>
- Example: confirmation of occupancy from the landlord
http://www.berlin.de/formularverzeichnis/?formular=/labo/zentrale-einwohnerangelegenheiten/_assets/mdb-f402544-20161102_wohnungsgeberbestaetigung.pdf
- Residence permit for family members of Germans or foreigners (except EU or EEA citizens)
<https://service.berlin.de/dienstleistung/305289/standort/121885/en/>
- Permanent residence card for family members of citizens of the EU (except Germany) and the EEA
<https://service.berlin.de/dienstleistung/324283/en/>
- Daueraufenthaltsbescheinigung for members with citizenship of an EU member state or of Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway
<https://service.berlin.de/dienstleistung/324284/en/>

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