

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

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 section '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

- Form "Angaben zur Ausstellung einer Aufenthaltskarte" (filled out)
- 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

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- Proof of relationship  
i.e. certificate of birth, marriage certificate, partnership certificate
- For all foreign documents: translation, possibly with an additional apostil or confirmation of authenticity
  - \* Please provide an authenticated translation of all foreign documents.
  - \* Depending on your country of origin, you may also need an apostil or confirmation of authenticity (issued by a German consular official) for your document(s). You can find out more about this topic for example on the website of the Federal Foreign Office: International recognition/Legalisation of documents (see section "More information").
- 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/\\_assets/mdb-f403267-labo\\_4330\\_m\\_antrag\\_daueraufenthaltsbesch\\_f\\_\\_r\\_unions\\_b\\_\\_rger\\_antrag\\_daueraufenthaltskarte\\_angaben\\_aufenthaltskarte\\_f\\_drittstaatsangeh\\_\\_rige\\_familienang\\_.pdf](https://www.berlin.de/formularverzeichnis/?formular=/labo/zuwanderung/_assets/mdb-f403267-labo_4330_m_antrag_daueraufenthaltsbesch_f__r_unions_b__rger_antrag_daueraufenthaltskarte_angaben_aufenthaltskarte_f_drittstaatsangeh__rige_familienang_.pdf)

## Fees

\* From the age of 24 years: 37.00 euros

\* Until the age of 24 years: 22.80 euros

## Legal basis

- Section 5 para. 1 Freizügigkeitsgesetz/EU - FreizügG/EU  
[https://www.gesetze-im-internet.de/englisch\\_freiz\\_gg\\_eu/englisch\\_freiz\\_gg\\_eu.html#p0074](https://www.gesetze-im-internet.de/englisch_freiz_gg_eu/englisch_freiz_gg_eu.html#p0074)

## More information

- 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)
- Residence permit for spouses, parents and children of German citizens  
<https://service.berlin.de/dienstleistung/328191/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/>
- Federal Foreign Office (Auswärtiges Amt): International recognition/Legalisation of documents  
<https://www.auswaertiges-amt.de/en/urkundenverkehrteilb/231968>