

## Residence permit in cases of hardship - Extension

Extension of a temporary residence permit issued by the Senator for the Interior and Sports upon petition by the Berlin Hardship Commission.

### Prerequisites

- Possession of a valid temporary residence permit according to Section 23a Residence Act.
- Conditions for the extension are satisfied (in the individual case)  
Extension of the temporary residence permit may have been made conditional on the satisfaction of certain requirements, e.g. the assurance of subsistence through economic activity, the start of vocational training or certain integration measures.  
The details shall be set out in the letter from the Senate Department for the Interior and Sports, in which the issue of a temporary residence permit pursuant to Section 23a Residence Act is ordered due to hardship.
- Main residence in Berlin  
The Berlin Immigration Office shall not be able to extend the temporary residence permit if it was issued by another foreigners office upon condition that the person take up residence within the jurisdiction of that foreigners office.  
  
*<https://service.berlin.de/dienstleistung/120686/>*
- 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](http://www.berlin.de/labo/_assets/kraftfahrzeugwesen/foto-mustertafel.pdf)*
- Proof of livelihood (refer to Prerequisites)  
All documents must be submitted in original:  
\* \*For Employees:\* Employment contract, current certificate of employment (not older than 14 days), all salary statements since the granting of the residence permit  
\* \*For self-employed persons:\* Documents on an income from self-employment  
\* \*Social benefits (also supplementary):\* Current proofs of receiving benefits according to SGB II or XII or the Asylum Seekers Benefits Act, child benefit and so on
- Proof of efforts to integrate (refer to Prerequisites)  
e.g. current certificate of school attendance or a vocational training, apprenticeship contract, certificates showing participation in the integration

course and so on

Proof of main residence in Berlin

- \* Certificate of registration at the main residence or
  - \* lease and written confirmation of occupancy from the landlord
- More on the topic in the section "More information".

## Fees

\* Adults: 96.00 euros

\* Minors: 46,50 euros

\* Turkish citizens: 28.80 euros

Free of charge when presenting current proof of receiving benefits according to SGB II or XII or the Asylum Seekers Benefits Act.

## Legal basis

- Section 23a Aufenthaltsgesetz - AufenthG

[http://www.gesetze-im-internet.de/englisch\\_aufenthg/englisch\\_aufenthg.html#p0533](http://www.gesetze-im-internet.de/englisch_aufenthg/englisch_aufenthg.html#p0533)

## 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

- Certificate of registration at the main residence (Meldebestätigung)

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- Example: confirmation of occupancy from the landlord

[http://www.berlin.de/formularverzeichnis/?formular=/labo/zentrale-einwohnerangelegenheiten/\\_assets/mdb-f402544-20161102\\_wohnungsgeberbestaetigung.pdf](http://www.berlin.de/formularverzeichnis/?formular=/labo/zentrale-einwohnerangelegenheiten/_assets/mdb-f402544-20161102_wohnungsgeberbestaetigung.pdf)

- Information about the work of the Berlin Hardship Commission

<https://www.berlin.de/sen/inneres/buerger-und-staat/auslaenderrecht/haertefallkommission/artikel.25538.php>

## Responsible authority

This service can only be taken advantage of in the Berlin Immigration Office (Landesamt für Einwanderung - LEA) at Friedrich-Krause-Ufer.

## Information on this location

### Berlin Immigration Office, Friedrich-Krause-Ufer

#### Address

Friedrich-Krause-Ufer 24  
13353 Berlin

#### Current information on this location

Currently, the number of hits on our online appointment scheduling has increased massively. Unfortunately, this can mean that the service is temporarily unavailable. A maintenance page will then be displayed. Please note our current information on the subject on our website.

#### Sonstige Hinweise zum Standort

Photo booth and copier (charge) are located at the cashier (house A, first floor).

#### Barrier-free access

This facility is wheelchair accessible.  
Handicapped parking space available.  
A wheelchair-accessible elevator is available.  
A wheelchair-accessible WC is available.

Elevators in the houses A and C

#### Opening hours

Monday: Bis mindestens 26.04.2021 nur mit Termin  
Tuesday: Bis mindestens 27.04.2021 nur mit Termin  
Wednesday: By appointment only  
Thursday: Bis mindestens 29.04.2021 nur mit Termin  
Friday: By appointment only

#### Changes in opening hours

Zur weiteren Eindämmung des Corona-Infektionsgeschehens (Lockdown) wird die Bedienung an unseren Standorten Friedrich-Krause-Ufer und Keplerstraße eingeschränkt.

Bis mindestens 30.04.2021 findet die Bedienung nur mit Termin statt.

## **Information for customers with an appointment**

\*We ask for your understanding for the following hygiene precautions:\*

\* Entering our service building is \*only permitted with a medical mask\*. Medical masks in this sense are surgical masks as well as masks of the standards KN95 / N95 or FFP2.

\* We can't serve you if you are displaying symptoms of infection.

\* Please note: Due to current COVID-19 restrictions, access to our office buildings is limited \*only\* to customers with \*personal\* appointments. We kindly ask you - if possible - to come without accompanying persons to the appointment.

## **Public transportation**

S-Bahn S 41/42 (Westhafen)

U-Bahn U 9 (Amrumer Str.)

Bus 123, 142, M27

## **Contact**

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Internet: <https://www.berlin.de/einwanderung/en>

E-mail: <https://www.berlin.de/einwanderung/ueber-uns/kontakt/>

## **Payment methods**

You can pay in cash or with a debit card (Girocard) (with PIN) at this location.