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# Applying for an extension of the residence permit for the spouse to join foreigners

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Modul	Sachverhalt
Leistungsschlüssel	99010023020005
Leistungsbezeichnung I	Applying for an extension of the residence permit for the spouse to join foreigners
Leistungsbezeichnung II	Applying for an extension of the residence permit for the spouse to join foreigners
Typisierung	2/3 - Bund: Regelung (2 oder 3), Land/Kommune: Vollzug
Quellredaktion	Nordrhein-Westfalen
Freigabestatus Katalog	fachlich freigegeben (gold)
Freigabestatus Bibliothek	fachlich freigegeben (silber)
Begriffe im Kontext	
Leistungstyp	Leistungsobjekt mit Verrichtung
Leistungsgruppierung	Aufenthaltstitel (010)
Verrichtungskennung	Verlängerung (020)

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SDG-Informationsbereich	Anforderungen in Bezug auf Aufenthaltskarten für Unionsbürger und ihre Familienmitglieder, einschließlich Familienmitglieder, die keine Unionsbürger sind
Lagen Portalverbund	Einwanderung (1080100)
Einheitlicher Ansprechpartner	Nein
Fachlich freigegeben am	27.10.2020
Fachlich freigegen durch	Ministry of the Interior and Municipal Affairs of the State of Brandenburg
Handlungsgrundlage	§ Section 8 (1) in conjunction with. § Section 30 AufenthG <a href="https://www.gesetze-im-internet.de/aufenthg_2004/_29.html">https://www.gesetze-im-internet.de/aufenthg_2004/_29.html</a>
Teaser	You can have your residence permit for the subsequent immigration of spouses extended if you meet certain requirements.
Volltext	<p>The residence permit for the reunification of spouses with foreigners is a temporary residence title. You can apply for an extension of the residence permit if you wish to stay in Germany and your spouse or partner is in possession of a valid residence permit in Germany.</p> <p>In principle, the same conditions apply for the extension of the residence permit as for its issue.</p> <p>If your residence permit is extended, it will be limited in time again. The residence permit is extended for the period of validity of the spouse's or partner's residence permit.</p> <p>As a rule, the residence permit cannot be extended if this was already ruled out when the residence permit was issued or last extended.</p> <p>If you were obliged to take part in an integration course when your residence permit was first issued, this will be taken into account when your residence permit is extended. If you have not yet taken part in an</p>

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integration course, the immigration authority may reject your application to extend your residence permit. If you have not yet completed the integration course, the residence permit will generally only be extended for one year at a time until you successfully complete it or provide proof that you have been integrated into society and social life in another way.

**Erforderliche Unterlagen**

- Passport or passport replacement
- Current biometric photo
- Existing residence permit
- Proof of livelihood
- Proof of your health insurance
- Tenancy agreement
- If you are obliged to attend an integration course: Certificate of successful participation in the integration course or other proof of integration efforts

**Voraussetzungen**

- You have a recognized and valid passport or passport substitute as well as a valid residence permit for family reunification in accordance with §§ 29 and 30 of the Residence Act.
- Your residence permit will expire in the near future.
- Your spouse or partner is in possession of a valid residence permit.
- There are no grounds for deportation against you.
- Your stay does not jeopardize or impair the interests of the Federal Republic of Germany
- Your livelihood is secured.
- Sufficient living space is available for the entire family.

**Kosten**

- Extension of the residence permit to carry out a qualification measure for the recognition of foreign professional qualifications:

for a further stay of up to three months: EUR 96

for a further stay of more than three months: EUR 93

- Under certain conditions, a fee reduction or fee exemption may be possible.

**Verfahrensablauf**

The extension of your residence permit must be applied for at the foreigners authority responsible for your place of residence.

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- Depending on the foreigners authority and your request, it may be possible to apply online. Find out whether your foreigners authority offers electronic application for a residence permit.
- If the application can only be made in person, arrange an appointment with the immigration office.
- During the appointment, your application will be accepted and your supporting documents checked (please bring these with you to the appointment). Your fingerprints will be taken to issue the electronic residence permit (eAT).
- In the case of an electronic application, the Foreigners' Registration Office will contact you after receiving your online application to arrange an appointment at the Foreigners' Registration Office. During the appointment, your documents will be checked (please bring them with you to the appointment) and your fingerprints will be taken for the eAT to be issued.
- If your application is approved, the Foreigners' Registration Office will arrange for the eAT to be issued.
- After about six to eight weeks, you can collect the eAT from the Foreigners' Registration Office.

Fees are charged for the extension of the residence permit. The time and form of payment vary depending on the authority

### Bearbeitungsdauer

about six to eight weeks.

### Frist

- Extension of the residence permit: no later than eight weeks before your valid residence permit expires •
- Objection period: 1 month

### weiterführende Informationen

- You can also obtain free advice on the topics of entry, residence and employment from the "Working and Living in Germany Hotline" of the Federal Government's portal for skilled workers from abroad.

Telephone: 030 1815-1111

Service hours: Monday to Friday from 8:00 to 16:00

## Hinweise

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**Kurztext**

- Residence permit for family reasons Extension for spouses joining foreigners
- The residence permit for the person joining the family member can be extended if it is due to expire in the near future and the marriage/life partnership continues.
- The residence permit for the person joining the family will be extended for the duration of the family member's residence permit in Germany.
- In principle, the same conditions apply for the extension of the residence permit as for its issue.
- The extension must be applied for at least eight weeks before the expiry date.
- The extension is excluded if the extension was already excluded by the immigration authority when the residence permit was issued or when it was last extended.
- If the obligation to attend an integration course was stated when the residence permit was issued, proof must be provided that this obligation has been fulfilled. If the integration course has not yet been completed, the immigration authority may refuse to extend the residence permit or only extend it for one year until the course has been successfully completed or proof has been provided that integration into social life has taken place in another way.
- Depending on the foreigners authority and your request, you can apply online or in person.
- Fees are charged for the extension. The time and form of payment vary depending on the authority
- Responsible: the foreigners authority responsible for the applicant's place of residence

**Ansprechpunkt**
**Zuständige Stelle**

The foreigners authority responsible for the applicant's place of residence is responsible for processing the application.

**Formulare**

- Forms: You can obtain authority-specific forms from your foreigners authority; these may also be available online.
- Online procedure occasionally possible

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Written form required: yes</li> <li>• Personal appearance required: yes</li> </ul>
Ursprungsportal	<p>Verlängerung der Aufenthaltserlaubnis für den Nachzug des Ehegatten zu Ausländern beantragen, Applying for an extension of the residence permit for the spouse to join foreigners</p>