

Visa for Family Reunification with a non-citizen of a European Member state nor of the EEA – Art. 10 & 10bis

When applying for a visa, you need to present the following documents at the embassy or consulate responsible for your place of residence:

Documents should be submitted in original + 2 photocopies. All originals are returned

- A valid travel document (e.g. international passport) valid for one year after the visa issuance date.
- Two visa application forms correctly completed, signed and accompanied by two recent passport photographs bearing a true likeness to the applicant.
- Copy of the residence or settlement permit for foreign nationals issued to your spouse/partner or parent living in Belgium
- Certificate of good conduct (Police Clearance) covering the last 5 years (for applicants **older than 18**);
- A medical certificate filled out by a Belgian embassy or consulate approved medical centre not more than six months prior to the date of application.
- Evidence that the person you will join has a medical insurance valid for himself/herself and all his/her family members.
- **ONLY IF YOU WANT TO JOIN A STUDENT** : The student living in Belgium or one of the family members must show that they have regular and sufficient income and that they can support the family without help from public funds.
- **PROOF OF FAMILY RELATIONSHIP** : ***SPOUSE** -marriage certificate -birth certificate -in case of divorce or widowhood : certificate of divorce/death ***REGISTERED PARTNER** -registered partnership certificate -birth certificate -Proof that any previous marriage, registered partnership has broken down (for both partners) -Evidence of the long-lasting relationship between the partner residing in Belgium and yourself (pictures, lettres, e-mails, phone cards, declaration by friends etc.). -a letter of guarantee ("engagement de prise en charge d'un partenaire concubin/tenlasteneming van een partner die in concubinaat samenleeft") signed by your partner living in Belgium, accompanied by proves of financial means (salary slips of the last 3 months, most recent tax roll). ***CHILDREN UNTIL THE AGE OF 18 YEARS OLD** -birth certificate -Evidence that the child is not married -in case the parents are divorced : divorce decision mentioning which parent has the responsibility for the child; -for the parent living abroad : notarized authorization allowing the child to permanently leave the country of origin. ***DISABLED CHILDREN OLDER THAN 18 YEARS** : -all documents required for children until 18 years old; -medical certificate filled out by a Belgian embassy or consulate approved medical centre confirming that , due to his disability, the child can not support himself financially; -Proof that the parent to be joined has personal, regular and sufficient income

***FATHER/MOTHER of an unaccompanied child who is recognized as a refugee** -birth certificate / proof of your blood relationship with the child -proof that the child is recognized as an unaccompanied child refugee and is under guardianship.

Important :

- Spouses/partners must be **at least 21** at the time they apply for the visa except if they can prove that they were already married at the time the spouse started to reside in Belgium. In the latter case, they only need to be at least 18.
- The documents listed above are only the basic documents to be submitted in all cases. Additional documents may be requested by the embassy or consulate.
- Official documents issued in Russia or in Belarus, Georgia, Armenia, Kazakstan, Uzbekistan, Tajikistan and Kyrgyzstan must be apostilled/legalised and accompanied by a certified translation apostilled/legalised.
- The above mentioned type D visa is a one entry national visa and requires registration in the Belgian population registers on arrival.
- For the correct fee, please click on Visa Fee page

Visa for Family Reunification with a student – Art. 10bis Note that only spouse and children under 18 can apply

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- A valid travel document (e.g. international passport) valid for one year after the visa issuance date.
- Two visa application forms correctly completed, signed and accompanied by two recent passport photographs bearing a true likeness to the applicant.
- Copy of the residence permit issued to student;
- Certificate of good conduct covering the last 5 years (for applicants older than 18);
- A medical certificate filled out by a Belgian embassy or consulate approved medical centre not more than six months prior to the date of application
- Proof that the joined person has a medical insurance valid for Belgium for himself and all his family's members.
- Proof of sufficient means : -letter of guarantee (annex 32) signed by the sponsor residing in Belgium or abroad, accompanied by proof of the sponsor's solvency (monthly income should be at least 750 € + 531 € for the student + 150 € for each dependant family member). If the student has a scholarship, proof that the scholarship is sufficient to support the family members (monthly income of 850 € + 150 € for each dependant family member).

Proof of family relationship : **SPOUSE** -marriage certificate -birth certificate -in case of divorce or widowhood : certificate of divorce/death **PARTNER of a REGISTERED PARTNERSHIP** -registered partnership certificate -birth certificate -Proof that both partners are not married -in case of divorce or widowhood : certificate of divorce/death -evidence of the long-lasting relationship between applicant and her/his Belgian partner (photo's, letters, e-mails, phone cards, declaration by friends). This relation must be at least 2 year long (one year in some case) and the partners have to prove that they have been at least 3 times together during the last year, with a minimum of 45 days in total. -a letter of guarantee ("engagement de prise en charge d'un partenaire concubin/tenlasteneming van een partner die in concubinaat samenleeft") signed by the partner residing in Belgium. **CHILDREN UNTIL THE AGE OF 18 YEARS OLD** -birth certificate -proof that the child is not married -in case the parents are divorced : divorce decision mentioning to whom of the parents the full guardianship was entrusted -notarized authorization from the parent, stating that the child can leave the country of origin;

Visa for Family Reunification with a citizen of a European Member state or of the EEA – Art 40

Documents to be submitted with a visa application:

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- a valid travel document (e.g. international passport) valid for one year after the visa issuance date.
- Two visa application forms correctly completed, signed and accompanied by two recent passport photographs bearing a true likeness to the applicant.
- Copy of the Belgian identity card or residence permit for foreign nationals issued to your spouse/parent residing in Belgium
- Proof of family relationship : **Spouse** : -marriage certificate **Children** : -notarized birth certificate -in case the parents are divorced : divorce decision mentioning to whom of the parents the full guardianship was entrusted. -notarized authorization from the parent, stating that the child can permanently leave the country of origin **Ascendants** : - Visa applicant's birth certificate. " Birth certificate of the child(ren) residing in Belgium -certificate of civil status that confirms the relationship between the EEA-citizen and the foreign spouse, if the application is submitted by ascendants of this spouse; -proof of financial dependency of the ascendant -Proof that you are financially dependent on your child(ren) residing in Belgium Documents should be submitted in original + 2 photocopies. All originals are returned