# List of supporting documents to be submitted by applicants for marriage in Belgium

If you are a national of a third country outside the European Economic Area (EEA) and you are travelling to marry a Belgian or a foreigner residing temporarily (Card A or H) or for unlimited duration (holding a CIRE or CIE, or a B, C, D, F or F+ residence card), it is essential that your file contains the following:

You must lodge the original documents, plus two (2) photocopies of these documents. The originals will be returned to you.

## 1. Passport + copy

A valid passport:

- should have been issued within the previous 10 years;
- should be valid at least 3 months after the intended date of departure from the Schengen territory or, in the case of several visits, after the last intended date of departure;
- should contain at least 2 empty pages when applying for the visa.

Provide one copy of the passport (the empty pages don't need to be copied).

# 2. Copy of ID

One copy of your identity card or of your residence permit (for foreigners). Complete extract of the civil registry (Tam Tekmil Vukuatlı Nüfus Kayıt Örneği).

## 3. Application form

One (1) application form fully filled in, signed (two times: at the point nr 37 AND on the last page!) and dated by the applicant. Please follow link to application online.

#### 4. Photo

Three (3) recent (no more than 6-months old) passport size photographs (35x45) in color, preferably biometric type with white background, should be affixed to the application form.

#### 5. Language Preference Form

The applicant has the opportunity to choose one of the Belgian three national languages in which the application will be treated.

Please find it here: FR - NL - DE

If you choose to complete the application in English, please choose "no preference".

#### 6. Proof of sufficient accommodation

Proof that the party being joined has sufficient accommodation: a registered rental contract or proof of property in Belgium.

## 7. Travel arrangements

Only flight reservation is required. The ticket should be bought only after the visa has been issued!

Other proof of intended means of transport, or proof of travel itinerary.

# 8. Proof of a valid travel insurance policy

The insurance must be valid throughout all of the Schengen countries and must cover the whole duration of the stay or transit. The minimum cover is EUR 30,000.

The insurance must cover the cost of repatriation on medical grounds, urgent medical treatment and/or urgent hospital treatment or costs incurred in the event of your death while in the Schengen area.

# 9. Proof of the permanent and stable character of the relationship (\*1)

A history of the relationship and proof of the permanent and stable character of the relationship.

Proof of the permanent and stable character of the relationship:

- Have a child between the partners or
- Have lived together for at least 1 year in Belgium or another country
- Know each other at least since 2 years (regular contact + 3 meetings of a total duration of 45 days).

#### 10.Age

Proof that he is over 21 years old, if the person joined is a third-country national, or proof that he is over 18 years old, if the person contacted is Belgian.

### 11.Deed of Declaration of Marriage

A copy of the deed of declaration of marriage established by the Registry Officer (Civil Status) in the 6 months prior to the visa application

### 12.Applicant's Solvency

The documents indicating that you have sufficient personal means of subsistence( min  $45 \le X$  90 days =  $4050 \le$ ), both for the duration of your stay on the SCHENGEN territory and for the transit to a third country in which your admission is guaranteed, or a commitment that charge will be taken (Annex 3 bis);

if you have a Guarantor in Belgium:

- A letter of guarantee (in the prescribed form "Annexe 3bis"/"Bijlage 3bis") not older than 6 months; (plus two (2) photocopies of this document.)
- Copy of the guarantor's 3 most recent salary sheets /guarantor's most recent tax sheet/ other official proof of the guarantor's solvency;
- A photocopy of the Belgian identity card or the unlimited residence permit of the guarantor;

- An original Certificate of family composition of the guarantor, issued by his/her municipality in Belgium (no residence certificate).
- NOTE
- The guarantor should be able to prove to have a regular net monthly income of at least 1000 € + 150 € for each dependent family member in Belgium + 200 € for each person invited.
- A person with a limited residence permit cannot legally act as a guarantor.
- A letter from the bank or a deposit account statement is not accepted to prove the solvency of the guarantor.

#### 13.Medical Certificate

A medical certificate attesting that you are not carrying any of the diseases which might endange public health. This certificate must not be older than 6 months from the date of issuance. The specific form must be signed and stamped by a doctor approved by the Consulate.

#### 14.Non-criminal Record Certificate

If you are aged over 18, a certificate attesting to the lack of any convictions for crimes or offences under common law + apostille, together with a translation. This certificate must be no older than 6 months from date of issuance.

## 15. Copy of ID Card/residence permit of the person to be joined in Belgium

A copy of the identity card of the Belgian or a copy of the residence permit of the foreigner (Card A, B, C, D, F, F+ or H).

#### 16. Solvency of the person to be joined

Proof that the person being joined has stable, regular and sufficient means of subsistence to meet his own needs and those of the members of his family and avoid them becoming a burden on the public authorities.

## **17.Mutual Insurance Company**

Proof that the person to be joined is affiliated to a Mutual Insurance Company (Mutualité / Mutualiteit) covering the risks for himself and the members of his family.

### Important: Legalization/apostille of the documents + translation

The documents need to be apostilled.

The documents drawn up abroad in a language other than Dutch, French or German are to be translated in accordance with the original by a sworn translator.

The translation must be apostilled as a separate document in line with the procedure laid down in the country of origin.

#### **NOTE**

Applicants, who cannot enclose all documents from the list, should consider adding alternatives or making an explanation about the reason for not handing them in.

The applicant acknowledges that he has provided the documents here above marked as submitted and that he has been informed that some other documents might be requested by the Belgian Consulate.

The Consulate may in justified individual cases, request additional documents during the examination of an application which are not mentioned in the above harmonized list.

The applicant is hereby informed that submitting the above-mentioned documents does not guarantee automatic issuance of a visa.

Non-complete files will be treated as such and sent to the Ministry of the Interior / Immigration Office in Brussels. Incomplete files may lead to a refusal of the visa.