



Checklist for **COHABITATION**

If you are a national of a third country outside the European Economic Area (EEA) and you are travelling to declare a cohabitation with 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.

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.

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

Copy of ID

One copy of your Turkish identity card or of your residence permit (for foreigners).

Application form

Two (2) application forms fully filled in, signed (two times: at the point nr 37 AND on the last page!) and dated by the applicant.

This form is available free of charge from consulates. You complete it in French, Dutch, German or, if you do not have a command of any of the national languages, ideally in English.

Any person appearing in your travel document must complete a separate application form.

Minor children must submit an application form signed by a person with parental authority or by a legal guardian;

Please follow link to application [online](#) .

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.

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".

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.

Age

Proof that both parties are aged over 21 (or over 18 if they cohabited for at least one year before the arrival in Belgium of the person applicant wants to join).

Celibacy

Proof that both parties are single.

Applicant

A **notarized** and **legalized** certificate of celibacy together with a translation
OR

A **notarized** and **legalized** certificate of divorce together with a translation.

Future cohabitant in Belgium

Proof that the partner you are going to live with in Belgium is not married.

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.

Applicant's Solvency

The documents indicating that you have **sufficient personal means of subsistence**, 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)**;

Medical Certificate

A **medical certificate** attesting that you are not carrying any of the diseases which might endanger 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 **recognized hospital**.

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 + Apostil, together with a translation.

This certificate must be no older than 6 months from date of issuance.

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).

Sufficient Accommodation

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

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.

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.

(*1) 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 **or**
- Know each other at least since 2 years (regular contact + 3 meetings of a total duration of 45 days).

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 legalized as a separate document in line with the procedure laid down in the country of origin, and then by the competent Belgian consulate or Embassy.

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 Embassy / Consulate General.

Please note that our 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.