



VISA FOR FAMILY REUNION (MINOR CHILD)

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General information:

- If you wish to stay in Germany on a long term basis (more 90 days) you are required to obtain a residence permit. This visa in form of a national visa must be issued before you enter the country.
- The national visa will generally be issued for 90 days and needs to be extended after your arrival in Germany. Please contact the local authorities (Einwohnermeldeamt/ Bürgerbüro) to register and apply for the (extension of) the residence permit with the aliens authority (Ausländerbehörde)
- Processing of the visa takes **about 6 to 8 weeks** upon submission of complete documents. The residence permit can be issued only upon approval by the competent authorities in Germany. You will receive a prompt notification upon completion of the processing. We ask that no status request is made if the required 8 weeks processing period has not yet passed.
- Kindly note that you cannot apply for a residence permit in Germany and that you cannot convert a "tourist, business or visitor visa" into any kind of "national visa".
- It is recommended that at no time a flight ticket should be purchased until a visa has been granted.
- The **fee** for the processing of the visa application is the equivalent of EURO 75.00 (paid in SGD).
- All documents must be submitted in **original + 2 copies**. Copies will not be made by the Embassy.
- This fact sheet is regularly updated but makes no claim to be complete. Further documentation can at all times be requested or provided by the applicant, in support of the application.

Please submit:

- 2 duly completed visa application forms** (please ensure that you sign the forms of both parents)
[Online application form](#)
Both parents have to sign the application form personally at the Embassy! The child has to be present!

Evidence of a **basic command of German** may be required if the minor child is **16-18 years old**.

Together with the following documents in original plus 2 photocopies (complete applications only!):

- passport** (at least 2 free pages, not older >10 years)
- dependent pass/ student pass**
(please bring along a printout of your current Singaporean residence permit validity (no QR-Code)).
- 2 recent passport photographs** (not older than 3 months) according to biometric specifications ([see sample photos](#))
- proof of health insurance
- Certificate of birth**
 - Singaporean certificate: certified by the Singapore Ministry of Foreign Affairs as "**true signature**".
Only originals and not laminated certificates can be processed for legalization at the Embassy!
 - Other foreign certificates require **legalization, apostille or certification** before they can be accepted for a visa application. Please check the website of the German mission in the respective country well in advance!
- If a parent is abroad: consent letter with signature verified by a German mission or German Aliens Authority
- Marriage certificate of parents
- If application is filled by a single parent: the court decision on sole care and custody
- Copy of the passport and visa/ residence permit of the applicant's parent (original not required)
- Certificate of registration ("Meldebescheinigung") **OR** employment contract, of parent in Germany