



Marriage Visa

If you will get married in Germany and wish to seek permanent residency, you are required to obtain a residence permit in the form of a visa.

Please note that you cannot convert a “tourist visa” into a “marriage visa”.

General Information

- The application can be submitted at the earliest 6 months before the planned entry.
- The standard processing time can take up to 3 months.
- Documents that are not issued in German or English must be submitted together with a translation.
- The Consulate General reserves the right to request further documentation.

Checklist

Please submit the documents listed below in according order in original and two copies each (copies distributed into two sets).

Originals will be returned after examination. Copies will not be made by Consulate General staff.

- Fully completed and signed [visa application form](#)
- [Declaration of genuineness of submitted documents](#)
- Passport, which is valid for at least six months, which was issued in the last ten years and with at least two free pages (copy of photo page and pages with visas, stamps, etc. required)
- Proof of residency in Hong Kong
 - Hong Kong stay permit and Hong Kong Identity Card or
 - Hong Kong Permanent Identity Card (only applicable for non Hong Kong passport holders)
- Three passport photos according to [biometric specifications](#) (not older than 3 months)
- Passport copy of the applicant's fiancé/e (copy of photo page)
- “Anmeldung zur Eheschließung”
Proof of confirmation of marriage registration from local German registry office
- “Meldebescheinigung”
Certificate of registration (not older than 3 months)
- Invitation letter of the fiancé/e to set up joint residence in Germany with informal declaration on how to secure livelihood in Germany
- Proof of financial means of applicant's fiancé/e
e. g. employment contract or bank statements of the last 3 months
- Evidence of a basic command of German
Goethe-Institut Level A1 or any language certificate based on the standards of the Association of Language Testers in Europe (ALTE) not older than 12 months

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Proof of travel health insurance stating <ul style="list-style-type: none">- name of the applicant- coverage of at least 30.000 EUR for medical expenses and repatriation- valid for the entire Schengen area- valid for at least three months after the date of departure |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Visa application fee
75 EUR, in cash in HKD. The exact amount in HKD depends on the exchange rate. |
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*Foreign certificates require legalisation, 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.