

Schengen visa for the spouse/parent of a German citizen

General Information

- The visa application can be submitted at the earliest six months prior to the planned trip.
- Documents that are not issued in German or English must be submitted together with a translation.
- Each visa application is reviewed individually. Therefore, the requested documents might vary. The Embassy reserves the right to request further documentation.
- Submission of an incomplete application may lead to a refusal of your visa application.

Visa application checklist

**Please use the following checklist to make sure that your documents are complete.
Please submit the documents listed below in according order.**

Original required	Copy required	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fully completed and signed application including and signed declaration
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	One (1) recent biometric passport photo (see specimen photos)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Signed passport meeting the following requirements: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Its validity must exceed the duration of the intended stay in Germany by at least 3 months b. It must contain at least 2 blank pages c. It must have been issued (not extended!) within the past 10 years
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	US alien registration card or valid US resident visa (type A, E, F plus endorsed I-20, G, H, I, J plus J1 document, L, O, R)
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Proof of address, e.g. valid driver's license, utility bill, lease
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Proof of relationship to the German citizen: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Marriage certificate and/or b. Birth certificate
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Passport of the German citizen
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Proof of adequate financial means: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Your Checking account statements of the last three months stating your name and address, b. If you are financially supported by your spouse: signed sponsor letter, bank statements, proof of relationship, passport copy <p>We cannot accept bank statements for saving accounts, Travel Money Cards or cash as proof of sufficient funds.</p>

→ more information on following page(s)

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<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Confirmed flight (roundtrip)/travel reservations with the name of passenger
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Proof of travel health insurance stating: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Name of the applicant Coverage of at least 30,000 EUR for medical expenses and repatriation Validity for the entire Schengen area Validity for the entire duration of stay in the Schengen area Only insurance confirmation, no letters of employer, is accepted. The insurance has to be issued either in the US or in Germany.

Visa application fees

[Processing fee:](#)

Payable in cash only.

Conversion into USD is made based on the exchange rate at the time of the application.

Completeness of application

The application is complete:

Yes No, the documents/information indicated above are lacking.

Declaration when application is not complete:

I have been informed that my application is not complete. I am aware that submitting an incomplete application can lead to the application being rejected.

I would like to submit my application nevertheless.

_____ place, date, signature

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