

**Document checklist
for
Family Reunification Visa Application to join a family member in Schengen Countries**

Basic Documents

1. Duly filled visa application [D Type].
2. Duly filled residences permit application.
3. Current passport.
4. Previous passport with previous visa and stamps.
5. National Id card / Birth Certificate.
6. Photo [35x45] mm with an off-white background.

Proof of Relationship with the Sponsor

1. Marriage Certificate [if applicable].
2. Birth Certificate [if applicable].
3. Family Photograph [if applicable].

Police Clearance of the Applicant

1. If the applicant has lived in any country or countries for more than six months in the last ten years, a police clearance certificate from each of those countries is required.

Evidence of Immigration Status of Sponsor in Schengen Countries

1. A copy of the sponsor's (the family member residing in the Schengen country) residence permit, work permit, residence card or passport or visa.
2. Proof that the sponsor's residence permit is valid for the foreseeable future (e.g., at least one year).

Evidence of Financial Capability of the Sponsor

1. The sponsor must provide their pay slips (usually for the last three to six months), tax returns, bank statements, and/or an employment contract or proof of stable income to demonstrate that they can support their family members in the destination country.
2. For Germany, the sponsor needs to have a monthly income of €1,500 to €1,800 to support a spouse, and an additional €1,200 to €1,500 to support a child alongside the spouse. The amount will increase for each additional child.
3. For Spain, the sponsor needs to have an annual income of €1,800 to €1,900 to support a spouse, and an additional €1,200.00 to €1,400 for each child alongside the spouse. An additional €2,000 to €2,400 will be required to sponsor each parent or grandparent.
4. For the Netherlands, the sponsor needs to have a monthly income of €11,100 to €13,000 to support a spouse, and an additional €3,700 to €4,500 for each child alongside the spouse. An additional €11,100 to €13,000 will be required to sponsor each parent or grandparent.

Evidence of Accommodation

1. Evidence that the sponsor has suitable accommodation for the family members, such as A rental contract, Proof of ownership of the property [if applicable].
2. A declaration stating that the sponsor can accommodate the family in a way that meets the country's legal standards for housing.

Health Insurance

1. Proof that the sponsor or the family members will have access to health insurance, either public or private, during their stay in the Schengen area.

Language Requirements

1. In some Schengen countries, there are requirement for the family members to demonstrate a basic knowledge of the country's official language(s). This could include language proficiency certificates, particularly for spouses.
2. France requires language proficiency [A1 level] for spouse.

Other documents

1. Any other supporting documents that demonstrate the authenticity of the relationship such as photos, joint bank accounts, shared address history, etc. and / or the necessity of the family reunion

