

Visa for family members of non-German EU citizens

You are

- the spouse, the partner in life or a relative in the direct descending line of a EU citizen or
- a relative in the direct descending line of the spouse or partner in life of a EU citizen and are under 21 years of age or
- a relative in the direct ascending and direct descending line of a EU citizen or of his/her spouse or partner in life, for whom these persons or their spouses or partners in life provide maintenance and the relevant EU citizen lives in Germany or you want to accompany him/her to Germany?

Should you meet the above criteria you may apply for a visa through our Service Provider TLS (<https://de.tlscontact.com>) or directly at the locally competent German Mission in South Africa. As a family member of a non-German EU citizen you are allowed to submit your application without prior appointment during the opening hours. However, we recommend you schedule an appointment to avoid extended waiting times.

Please note:

According to the Visa Code, the German Missions in South Africa are only responsible for processing your application if your main destination is Germany.

Submission of false documentation or incorrect information will most likely result in a refusal or even a travel ban to Germany or other Schengen States.

The submission of incomplete documentation can result in a refusal.

The German Missions in South Africa reserve the right to ask for additional documentation at any time during the processing of the application whenever deemed necessary.

Documentation sent via fax or e-mail, which has not been requested, will not be allocated to an application.

The relevant information pertaining to the application process can be found on our website: www.southafrica.diplo.de

Checklist for Filing Your Application

Please read the checklist and fill out the application form thoroughly. We require that the printed and signed checklist is submitted with the application form at your appointment. Please sort them exactly in the following order:

			to be filled out by TLS	to be filled out by the German Mission
1	One completed visa application form	1. Please open the online application form (https://videx.diplo.de). 2. fill it fully and correctly 3. download the completed form as a PDF-file, then 4. print it and 5. please date and sign it children: signed by both parents	<input type="checkbox"/>	
		Signed declaration in accordance with Article 54 paragraph 2 number 8 in conjunction with Article 53 Residence Act (This is the last page of the visa application form)	<input type="checkbox"/>	
2	photograph	Recent passport photograph according to biometric specifications	<input type="checkbox"/>	
3	Passport Original + 1 copy of the data page	Valid and signed passport which must have at least one blank page and has been issued within the last 10 years.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
4	Documents proving relationship as dependents in accordance with Freedom of Movement Act/EU	Marriage certificate or other proof of relationship with EU citizen or his/her spouse / partner in life (original and copy)	<input type="checkbox"/>	
		Copy of the EU citizen's passport's data page and -if he/she is residing in Germany- proof of residence	<input type="checkbox"/>	
		Proof of support/maintenance payments (only for family members of European Union citizens and their spouses /partners in life older than 21 years)	<input type="checkbox"/>	
5	Additional documents for children under the age of 18	Full unabridged birth certificate (containing father's and mother's name) in original and copy	<input type="checkbox"/>	
		Guardian's/parents declaration of consent signed by both guardians/parents in original and copy	<input type="checkbox"/>	
		Copy of first page of passport of parents/legal guardian(s)	<input type="checkbox"/>	
6	Special cases for children under the age of 18	One parent/legal guardian is deceased: ➡ copy of death certificate	<input type="checkbox"/>	
		Sole custody has been granted: ➡ copy of decree of the competent court	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Please note, that the Embassy/The Consulate General may issue the visa with a shorter validity than applied for, without prior consultation, as long as it is legally permissible or necessary.

The applicant's passport has to remain with the German mission and cannot be withdrawn during the processing of the application.

VAC employee

Place, date, signature