



List of documents

(FAMILY REUNION - ARTICLE 40ter - with a Belgian citizen)

Third-country nationals who wish to join a Belgian national.

- Applicants, who cannot enclose all documents from the list, should consider adding alternatives or explain the reasons for not providing them
- During the examination of the application, the Consulate may request additional documents which are not mentioned in below list.
- The documents drawn up abroad in a language other than English, Dutch, French or German are to be translated in accordance with the original by a sworn translator.
- The document along with its translation must be [legalized](#) in line with the procedure laid down in the country of origin, and then by the competent Belgian consulate or Embassy.
- Documents issued by local authorities of Angola must be legalized by Ministry Foreign Affairs of Angola (MIREX) and afterwards by the Belgian Consulate. Translations by the Alliance Française in Luanda can be legalized by the Belgian Consulate directly.
- No additional documents could be submitted to VFS or the Embassy if the Embassy has not requested them.
- Applying for marriage visa should be at least 90 days before the marriage date.
- An incomplete file will lead to a visa refusal
- A complete file does not guarantee automatic issuance of a visa.
- Visa fee is non-refundable
- More information can be found on the following [link](#)

It is essential that your file contain the following:

- **The original documents, plus one photocopy of each document.**
- **The originals will be returned along with the passport.**



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➤ **Application form**

- One application form fully filled in, signed on both pages and dated by the applicant. To fill in the form go to: [VisaOnWeb](#)
- The current address in Angola, local contact number and email address should be provided. (all communication is via email)

➤ **Photo**

- One passport photo not older than 6 months

➤ **Original passport**

- The Angolan residence permit and the passport should be at least three months longer than the intended stay or in case of multiple journeys, the date on which you intend to leave for the last time.
- A copy of all pages (excluding the blank pages).
- The passport must have been issued within the last 10 years, in a good shape and have at least 2 empty pages.
- Copies of previous Schengen visas (from the past 3 years only). Copies of entry and exit stamps to Schengen zone must be provided.
- Copies of other respective countries' visas could be provided (UK, USA, Canada, Japan, Australia,...).

➤ **Language preference form**

- The applicant has the opportunity to choose one of the Belgian three national languages in which the application will be treated.
- If you choose to complete the application in English, please choose "no preference".

[Language preference form](#)

➤ **Consular fee**

- The applicant must pay the administrative fee, paid with the bank card at the time of submitting the visa application.

[Visa fee list](#)

➤ **Payment of the immigration fee**

- The applicant must pay the fee in advance into the account of the 'Office des Etrangers en Belgique' and attach the proof of payment to his file. For more information: <https://dofi.ibz.be/fr/themes/fag/long-sejour/redevance>

➤ **Certificate of affiliation to a Belgian health insurance scheme**

- Proof that the person to be joined is affiliated to a Mutualiteit / Mutualité that covers the risks for him/herself and the applicant.

➤ **Proof of relationship**

- Copy of the identity card/unlimited Belgian residence permit AND the foreign passport of the person to be joined in Belgium.

*** If the applicant is the spouse of the Belgian resident**



- The original marriage certificate and its translation in legalized form.
- A birth certificate mentioning the names of both parents and its translation in legalized form.
- In case of divorce or widowhood: a certificate of divorce/death of the spouse, legalized.

*** If the applicant is the child of a Belgian resident and is UNDER 18 years of age**

- A birth certificate mentioning the names of both parents and its translation in legalized form.
- If the child is travelling alone or without both parents: a legalized and translated parental authorization to travel and move permanently accompanied by a copy of the parents' identity document(s); OR a legalized and translated copy of the divorce judgement mentioning to which parent the full custody of the minor has been given.
- If the child has been adopted: a translated and legalized adoption certificate.
- If one of the parents is deceased: a translated and legalized death certificate of the deceased parent.

• If the applicant is the child of a Belgian resident and is aged 18 OR OVER

- A birth certificate mentioning the names of both parents and its translation in legalized form.
- If the child has been adopted: a translated and legalized adoption certificate.

➤ **Sufficient accommodation:**

- Proof that the sponsor has sufficient accommodation: this proof can be provided either by a copy of the title deed of the property assigned to his/her main residence or by a copy of a registered rental contract relating to the accommodation assigned to his/her main residence.
- Certificate of household composition less than 3 months old (Belgian household).

➤ **Solvency of the person to be joined:** Not mandatory if the applicant is a minor child (under 18 years old) of the Belgian resident.

- Proof that the person to be joined has stable, regular and sufficient means of subsistence over the last 12 months to meet his/her own needs and those of his/her family members and not to become a burden on the public authorities (last 12 salary slips).

➤ **Certificate of vaccination - COVID19**

- The applicant must present his/her Angolan digital vaccination certificate, attesting to full vaccination;
- I) An important change regarding vaccination certificates came into effect on 1 September 2021. Vaccination certificates issued in Angola will be recognised by Belgium if they meet the conditions listed on the ODE website: <https://dofi.ibz.be/fr/themes/covid-19/voyages-internationaux>
- II) It is important to note that the certificate must be for a vaccine approved by the EMA and/or Belgium (**Pfizer, Moderna, Johnson & Johnson, AstraZeneca-Vaxzevria-Covishield**).
- III) Therefore, a national of a third country, including Angola, who intends to travel to Belgium, will no longer have to prove the essential nature of the trip if he/she presents such a vaccination certificate. For adults, please include a copy of the COVID19 vaccination certificate in your visa application file. Children accompanying their vaccinated parents do not need to present it.

General and important information :

- Any other document that you consider beneficial to your visa application can be attached to the file.



- Ask directly with VFS before the appointment about the type of visa you need and come with all the documents required for that type of visa.

- Do not forget to sign the visa application form, to attach a copy of each document in the file (copies).

- Please note that no information on the progress of the visa application process will be given by VFS Global, the Consular Section or the Belgian Embassy in Luanda. For this type of verification, please have the file number on the payment receipt ready and access the website: <https://dofi.ibz.be/fr/themes/faq/visa/ou-en-est-ma-demande-de-visa>

- Any specific question that cannot be answered with the information provided on our website will be answered individually by e-mail. No information regarding a pending visa application will be given over the phone.