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Applying for an extension of your residence permit to take part in the Federal Volunteer Service

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Leistungsschlüssel	99010020020026, 99010020020026
Leistungsbezeichnung I	Applying for an extension of your residence permit to take part in the Federal Volunteer Service
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Typisierung	3b - Bundesaufsichtsverwaltung: Regelung, Land: Ausführungsvorschriften, Kommune: Vollzug
Quellredaktion	Niedersachsen
Freigabestatus Katalog	unbestimmter Freigabestatus
Freigabestatus Bibliothek	unbestimmter Freigabestatus
Begriffe im Kontext	
Leistungstyp	Leistungsobjekt mit Verrichtung
Leistungsgruppierung	Aufenthaltstitel (010)
Verrichtungskennung	Verlängerung (020)

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SDG-Informationsbereich	Anforderungen in Bezug auf Aufenthaltskarten für Unionsbürger und ihre Familienmitglieder, einschließlich Familienmitglieder, die keine Unionsbürger sind
Lagen Portalverbund	Weiterbildung (1040100), Einwanderung (1080100), Engagement und Beteiligung (1100100)
Einheitlicher Ansprechpartner	Nein
Fachlich freigegeben am	05.04.2024
Fachlich freigegeben durch	Lower Saxony Ministry of the Interior and Sport
Handlungsgrundlage	https://www.gesetze-im-internet.de/aufenthg_2004/_19c.html https://www.gesetze-im-internet.de/aufenthg_2004/_8.html
Teaser	Your residence permit can be extended if the Federal Volunteer Service is extended.
Volltext	<p>You can apply to extend your residence permit if you wish to continue participating in the Federal Volunteer Service.</p> <p>In principle, the same conditions must be met for the extension of the residence permit as for the initial issue.</p> <p>The residence permit will be extended for the duration of your participation in the Federal Volunteer Service, but for a maximum of 18 months in total. Exceptionally, an extension of up to 24 months is possible if this can be justified within the framework of a special educational concept.</p>
Erforderliche Unterlagen	<p>In principle, the same documents are required for the extension of your residence permit as for the initial issue:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recognized and valid identity document (e.g. passport or passport substitute) • Current biometric photo in passport format (45 x 35 mm)

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- Proof of intended further participation in the Federal Volunteer Service (e.g. extended agreement with the Federal Volunteer Service provider). If a total duration of more than 18 months is intended, the extension must be specially justified.
- Proof of means of subsistence (e.g. equity capital, proof of income, blocked account, pension certificate, proof of receipt of benefits such as parental or child benefit, maintenance payments, declaration of commitment)
- For minors: Declaration of consent from the legal guardian to continue participation in the Federal Volunteer Service

The documents and information must always be submitted in German. In individual cases, the foreigners authority may require less or further proof.

Voraussetzungen

The same requirements must be met for the extension of the residence permit as for the initial issue of the residence permit, i.e:

- You are a citizen of a non-EU or non-EEA country.
- You are already performing a Federal Voluntary Service whose originally agreed duration was limited to less than 24 months.
- You have agreed an extension of your service with the host organization and can justify the need if the total duration of your service exceeds 18 months.
- You can secure your livelihood (including health insurance cover) for the entire duration of your voluntary service without claiming public benefits. The subsidization of the Federal Volunteer Service by the Federal Government is not an obstacle to the granting of a residence permit.
- There are no reasons of public safety and order to prevent your stay in Germany. There is no interest in deporting you.
- If you are a minor: you have the consent of the person entitled to take care of you to continue your stay.

Kosten

Fee amount (fixed):

- 96.00 Euro for a further stay of up to three months

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- 93.00 Euro for a further stay of more than three months

Remarks:

Additional fees may apply for the issuing of a residence permit in the form of an electronic residence permit (eAT card), which can also be used as electronic proof of identity.

The time and form of fee collection and payment vary depending on the authority.

In certain cases, fee reductions or exemptions may apply (e.g. for persons entitled to asylum or recognized refugees). Lower fees may apply for Turkish nationals.

Verfahrensablauf

- The residence permit must be applied for before your current residence permit expires.
- Find out whether your foreigners authority allows you to apply online or has a special application form.
- If you can only apply in person, make an appointment with the immigration office responsible for your place of residence. If you apply online, please follow the instructions provided by the foreigners authority for making an appointment.
- During the appointment, your identity and documents will be checked (please bring your original documents with you to the appointment). Your fingerprints and signature will also be recorded for the electronic residence permit (eAT card).
- You will receive notification by post that your application has been approved and that Bundesdruckerei has been commissioned to produce the eAT card, or that your application has been rejected.
- You will be informed when you can collect the eAT card from the Foreigners' Registration Office. As the eAT card is linked to an online ID function, you must collect it in person.

Bearbeitungsdauer

Approximately 6 to 8 weeks The processing time may vary depending on how busy the immigration office is. The production of the electronic residence permit by the Bundesdruckerei takes about 4 to 6 weeks.

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Application deadline: The residence permit should be applied for at least 6 to 8 weeks before your valid residence permit expires. Period of validity: When the residence permit is extended, it will be renewed for the planned duration of the Federal Volunteer Service, usually for a maximum of 18 months. Exceptionally, the residence permit can be extended for up to 24 months if this can be justified as part of a special educational concept.

weiterführende Informationen

<https://www.bundesfreiwilligendienst.de/>
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Hinweise

- There is no entitlement to an extension of the residence permit for participation in the Federal Volunteer Service. It is always a case-by-case decision.
- The residence permit is only valid for participation in the Federal Volunteer Service. If the purpose of your stay changes, you must inform the relevant immigration authority immediately.
- The procedure is usually carried out in German. If your knowledge of German is insufficient, it is advisable to speak to a person who can act as a translator.
- All information provided to the Foreigners' Registration Office should be correct and complete to the best of your knowledge and belief so that your application can be processed without major delays.
- Incorrect or incomplete information can slow down the procedure and be detrimental to the person concerned. In serious cases, incorrect or incomplete information that is not completed or corrected in good time vis-à-vis the immigration authority can result in the revocation of previously granted residence rights, a fine, a prison sentence of up to three years or expulsion from the federal territory.
- Due to the complexity of residence law, this description is for information purposes only and is not legally binding.

Rechtsbehelf

- Appeal against the decision of the immigration authority within one month of notification
- Legal action before the court named in the objection notice if the objection is not upheld

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- An appeal against a negative decision of the Foreigners' Registration Office can be brought before the competent administrative court.
- A preliminary procedure (opposition) does not take place in Lower Saxony.
- Detailed information can be found in the rejection notice.

Kurztext

- Residence permit for the purpose of gainful employment Extension for participation in the Federal Volunteer Service.
- In principle, the same requirements must be met for the extension of the residence permit as for the initial issue of the residence permit.
- The residence permit can be extended for the duration of participation in the Federal Volunteer Service (BFD).
- The Federal Voluntary Service usually lasts a maximum of 18 months. Exceptionally, it can be extended up to a duration of 24 months if this can be justified within the framework of a special educational concept.
- Living expenses must be secured for the entire duration of the BFD.
- In the case of minors, the consent of their legal guardians must be obtained for participation in the voluntary service.
- Responsible: the foreigners authority responsible for the applicant's place of residence

Ansprechpunkt

The competent authority for processing the application is the Foreigners' Registration Office responsible for the applicant's place of residence.

Which one this is can be determined online here:

<https://bamf-navi.bamf.de/de/Themen/Behoerden/>

Zuständige Stelle

The authority responsible for processing the application is the foreigners authority responsible for the applicant's place of residence.

Formulare

Forms available: No Written form required: No
 Informal application possible: Yes Personal appearance necessary: Yes

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Ursprungsportal

Verlängerung der Aufenthaltserlaubnis zur Teilnahme am Bundesfreiwilligendienst beantragen, Applying for an extension of your residence permit to take part in the Federal Volunteer Service