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# Außer Kraft - Deutsche Staatsangehörigkeit Erteilung Entlassung aus der deutschen Staatsangehörigkeit

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Modul	Sachverhalt
Leistungsschlüssel	99099008001001
Leistungsbezeichnung I	Außer Kraft - Deutsche Staatsangehörigkeit Erteilung Entlassung aus der deutschen Staatsangehörigkeit
Leistungsbezeichnung II	Release from German citizenship for persons abroad
Typisierung	1 - Bund: Regelung und Vollzug
Quellredaktion	Bund
Freigabestatus Katalog	fachlich freigegeben (gold)
Freigabestatus Bibliothek	unbestimmter Freigabestatus
Begriffe im Kontext	
Leistungstyp	Leistungsobjekt mit Verrichtung
Leistungsgruppierung	
Verrichtungskennung	Erteilung (1)

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SDG-Informationsbereich	
Lagen Portalverbund	Ausweise (1070100), Auswanderung (1120300)
Einheitlicher Ansprechpartner	Nein
Fachlich freigegeben am	31.05.2021
Fachlich freigegeben durch	Federal Ministry of the Interior, Building and Community (BMI)
Handlungsgrundlage	<a href="https://www.gesetze-im-internet.de/stag/_18.html">https://www.gesetze-im-internet.de/stag/_18.html</a>
Teaser	If you live abroad and have to give up your German citizenship because you want to acquire another nationality, you can apply for a release under certain conditions.
Volltext	<p>The Federal Office of Administration (BVA) is a German higher federal authority within the portfolio of the Federal Ministry of the Interior, Building and Community (BMI). Among other things, it is responsible for citizenship issues for people abroad.</p> <p>If you live abroad and would like to be naturalized in another country and the foreign country requires you to give up your German citizenship, you can apply to be released from German citizenship. If the release can be approved, you will be issued with a certificate of release.</p> <p>If you are a minor, you can only be released with the approval of the German family court responsible for you (at the local court). A minor child does not require permission from the family court if the custodial parent or the parent with sole custody makes the application for themselves and for the minor child at the same time.</p> <p>You can also appoint an authorized person for your application, for example a lawyer. You must submit a power of attorney for this.</p> <p>You can obtain further information by telephone, e-mail or in a personal meeting at the German</p>

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diplomatic mission responsible for you or at the Federal Office of Administration (BVA).

Please note: Renunciation of German citizenship is to be distinguished from dismissal. A renunciation can be declared by anyone who already has at least one other nationality in addition to German nationality and wishes to renounce their German nationality.

You can submit your application to renounce your German citizenship in writing to the relevant German representation abroad, online or in writing directly to the Federal Office of Administration (BVA).

## Erforderliche Unterlagen

When applying, you must submit

- possible proof of German citizenship, such as:
- German identity card,
- German passport,
- (last) certificate of citizenship

and

- assurance of naturalization from the foreign state
- for minors Approval of the German family court

Note:

Unless otherwise stated, please enclose the documents and evidence as officially or notarized copies. For the online application, you first need simple electronic copies. The Federal Office of Administration (BVA) will only request certified copies of any necessary documents and supporting documents in the online procedure after the application has been submitted.

## Voraussetzungen

Applications for release from German citizenship can be submitted by

- Germans with habitual residence abroad

Further requirements:

- the foreign state demands that you give up your German citizenship in order to acquire the other

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citizenship

- there is a written assurance from the foreign state that you will be naturalized
- for minors: Approval from the German family court (at the local court)

Note: If you are liable for military service in Germany, you need the approval of the Federal Office of Bundeswehr Personnel Management. This is obtained from the Federal Office of Administration (BVA).

## Kosten

- for the certificate of dismissal: EUR 51.00
- for the notice of rejection: EUR 38, 00

Please note: Please bear in mind that you may incur additional costs for the procurement of documents, translations and notarizations.

## Verfahrensablauf

You or your authorized representative can apply for the release from German citizenship in writing at the responsible German diplomatic mission abroad, directly in writing or online at the Federal Office of Administration (BVA).

Written application:

- You can obtain the application form locally from your local German diplomatic mission abroad or download it online from the BVA website.
- If you live in Germany, please contact your local city or district administration. They will provide you with the appropriate application forms.
- On request, the local diplomatic mission abroad will help you fill out the application form.
- Complete the application form in full and sign it.
- Submit the signed application by post or in person together with the required supporting documents to your local German diplomatic mission abroad.
- However, it is not compulsory to contact the diplomatic mission abroad. You can also send the declaration directly to the BVA by post.
- The BVA will check your application and inform you if further documents and information are required to process the application.

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Online application:

- Go to the website of the federal portal and fill out the application form for the release from German citizenship electronically. Note: For the online function, you will need your ID card with PIN number or another eIDAS-compliant form of authentication.
- Attach the other required documents as a file.
- Send your application.
- The BVA will check your application and request any necessary documents as certified copies.

Completion of the procedure (written and online):

- Once the decision has been made, you will receive a request to pay the procedural fee.
- If your application is approved, the BVA will send your certificate of release to your competent German diplomatic mission abroad. They will inform you about the further procedure for handing over the certificate.
- The release becomes effective when the release certificate is handed over. Your German identity documents will become invalid as a result. They will be confiscated by the diplomatic mission abroad.
- In order to complete the process, naturalization in the foreign country must take place within one year of receiving the discharge certificate. Proof of naturalization must be submitted to the Federal Office of Administration.
- If naturalization has not taken place within the one-year period, the discharge procedure becomes retroactively invalid in order to avoid statelessness. The certificate of release must be returned to the Federal Office of Administration.
- If the BVA rejects your application, you will receive a notice of rejection.

### Bearbeitungsdauer

- for processing the application: usually 2 to 3 months

### Frist

- Once you have received your discharge certificate, you must naturalize in the foreign country within one year for the discharge to take effect.

### weiterführende Informationen

<https://www.bva.bund.de/staatsangehoerigkeit-entlassung>

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	<a href="https://www.bva.bund.de/staatsangehoerigkeit-merkbl-entlassung">https://www.bva.bund.de/staatsangehoerigkeit-merkbl-entlassung</a> <a href="https://www.bva.bund.de/staatsangehoerigkeit-datenschutz">https://www.bva.bund.de/staatsangehoerigkeit-datenschutz</a> <a href="https://www.auswaertiges-amt.de/de/service/konsularinfo/beurkundungen-beglaubigungen">https://www.auswaertiges-amt.de/de/service/konsularinfo/beurkundungen-beglaubigungen</a>
Hinweise	
Rechtsbehelf	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Contradiction</li> </ul>
Kurztext	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• German citizenship Dismissal</li> <li>• for Germans with habitual residence abroad who wish to acquire another nationality</li> <li>• Applications can be submitted: Germans with habitual residence abroad, if: the foreign state requires the renunciation of German citizenship before naturalization and there is a written assurance of naturalization from the foreign state</li> <li>• Naturalization must take place within one year after the certificate of release has been issued</li> <li>• Advice can be provided by the competent diplomatic mission abroad or the Federal Office of Administration if required</li> <li>• It is possible to authorize a third party to submit the application</li> <li>• Application is subject to a fee</li> <li>• Information from: Federal Office of Administration (BVA)/competent German diplomatic mission abroad</li> <li>• Application via: Application must be submitted online to the Federal Office of Administration (BVA), in writing to the competent German diplomatic mission abroad or directly to the Federal Office of Administration (BVA)</li> <li>• Responsible: Federal Office of Administration (BVA)</li> </ul>
Ansprechpunkt	
Zuständige Stelle	
Formulare	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Forms: yes</li> <li>• Online procedure possible: yes</li> <li>• Written form required: no</li> <li>• Personal appearance required: yes (for handing over the certificate of release)</li> </ul> <a href="https://www.bva.bund.de/SharedDocs/Downloads/DE/Buerger/Ausweis-Dokumente-Recht/Staatsangehoerigk">https://www.bva.bund.de/SharedDocs/Downloads/DE/Buerger/Ausweis-Dokumente-Recht/Staatsangehoerigk</a>

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	<a href="#">eit/Entlassung/Paket1.html?nn=183146</a>
Ursprungsportal	Außer Kraft - Deutsche Staatsangehörigkeit Erteilung Entlassung aus der deutschen Staatsangehörigkeit, Außer Kraft - Deutsche Staatsangehörigkeit Erteilung Entlassung aus der deutschen Staatsangehörigkeit