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Apply for a European Professional Card

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Begriffe im Kontext	
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Handlungsgrundlage	https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/DE/TXT/?uri=CELEX%3A02005L0036-20140117 https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/DE/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX%3A32015R0983&from=HR https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/DE/TXT/?uri=CELEX%3A02005L0036-20140117 https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/DE/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX%3A32015R0983&from=HR
Teaser	With the European Professional Card (EPA), you can have certain professional qualifications recognised within the European Union (EU) or the European Economic Area (EEA) via an online procedure.
Volltext	<p>The European Professional Card is an electronic proof of the recognition of your professional qualification in another country of the European Union (EU) and the European Economic Area (EEA). Upon request, the professional card will be issued to you in an online procedure (EPA procedure). The EPA procedure is simple and fast.</p> <p>You can currently apply for the European Professional Card for the following professional qualifications from the EU and the EEA: Nurse (nurse for general care)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pharmacist • Physiotherapist • Mountain guide • Real estate agent <p>The European Professional Card offers advantages:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The competent authority of your country of origin will help you with your application and check that it is correctly completed and complete. The competent authority also checks the authenticity and validity of

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your documents.

- The competent authority in the host country then automatically receives all documents and checks your professional qualification (professional recognition). With the online procedure, you always know where your documents are being processed.
- Your documents remain in the online system. If you are moving to another host country, you can submit a new application more quickly.
- If the competent authority in the host country does not take a decision within the specified period, you will automatically receive the professional card.
- You can receive a certificate as a PDF file and present it to a potential employer. The employer can check the certificate online.

Attention: Even with the European Professional Card, you often have to apply for a special permit so that you can work in the profession. In some professions, you must also prove your language skills in the language of the host country.

The points of single contact or the competent authorities of the host country will assist you in the procedure.

Erforderliche Unterlagen

The necessary documents depend on the profession for which you are applying for the European Professional Card. The electronic application wizard on the European Commission's website will provide you with the required documents.

As a rule, the following documents are required:

- Proof of identity (passport or identity card)
- If your name has changed: your marriage certificate or an equivalent official document
- Diploma or final certificate of your professional qualification
- Proof that you are allowed to practise the profession in your country of origin and have not been criminally convicted (Certificate of Good Standing)
- Possibly a certificate of conformity
- Possibly a proof of health

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	<p>Note: You may need to have the documents translated into the language of the host country. Translations must be carried out by publicly appointed or authorised translators.</p>
Voraussetzungen	<p>You need one of the following professional qualifications from an EU or EEA country:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nurse (nurse for general care) • Pharmacist • Physiotherapist • Mountain guide • Real estate agent <p>If you did not obtain your professional qualification in the EU or EEA, you may also be able to apply for a European Professional Card. The following requirements apply:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Your professional qualification has already been recognised in an EU or EEA country and • You have practised your profession in that country for at least three years after your professional qualification has been recognised.
Kosten	<p>Costs may be incurred in the country of origin and in the host country for processing your application. The costs differ depending on the country and profession.</p> <p>You can estimate the costs in advance on the European Commission's website on the European Professional Card.</p> <p>In addition, additional costs may arise (e.B. for translations and certification of your documents). These costs vary from person to person.</p>
Verfahrensablauf	<p>To apply for the European Professional Card, you need an online account with the European Commission.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The online account with the European Commission is free of charge. To do so, you register with the authentication service of the European Commission ("EU Login"). • Then create your profile with the details of yourself

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(identity card or passport number, name, nationality) and your contact details (address, e-mail address, telephone number, etc.). Your personal details will be included in your European Professional Card.

- After you have created your profile, you can apply for the European Professional Card. To do so, go to the European Commission's European Professional Card website and select "Access to the EBA procedure".
- When applying, you will find out which documents the host country needs for the recognition of your professional qualification. You can upload the documents directly. Please upload each document as a separate file.
- The competent authority will process your application and, if necessary, transmit it to the competent authority of the host country for further processing.
- Once you have sent your application, you will not be able to change your personal details. An update can only be made by the competent body processing your application. However, you can update your contact details at any time.
- After approving your application, you can create an EBA certificate in PDF format. The EBA certificate contains a reference number. With this reference number, your future employer can check the validity of your European Professional Card online.
- If your application is rejected, you will receive a notification. You can take legal action against the decision of the competent authority. The decision is then reviewed. Details can be found in the notice of appeal at the end of your decision. We recommend that you first talk to the competent authority before taking legal action against the decision.

Note: The competent authority in your country of origin will confirm that your documents have arrived within one week. It tells you if documents are missing.

Bearbeitungsdauer

The processing time depends on your profession and whether you want to work temporarily or permanently in the host country. If your profession could have an impact on public health and safety, a special review in the host country may be necessary. Temporary activity (service) • A maximum of 3 weeks if no special inspection is required in the host country. • A

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maximum of 4 months if a special check is required in the host country. The competent authority in the country of origin will examine your application in a maximum of one month. Subsequently, the competent body in the host country decides in a maximum of 3 months. Permanent activity (establishment) • Maximum 4 months for professions without automatic recognition. The competent authority in the country of origin will examine your application in a maximum of one month. Subsequently, the competent body in the host country decides in a maximum of 3 months. • Maximum 3 months for professions with automatic recognition (pharmacists, nurses and nurses). The competent authority in the country of origin will examine your application in a maximum of one month. Subsequently, the competent authority in the host country decides in a maximum of 2 months. Note: If the competent authority of the host country does not take a decision within the above periods, your professional qualification will automatically be considered recognised.

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Period of validity of the European Professional Card: • in the case of temporary activity (service): in most cases 18 months. If your profession could have an impact on public health and safety and is not automatically recognised (e.B physiotherapists and mountain guides): 12 months • in the case of permanent activity (establishment): permanent

weiterführende Informationen

Hinweise

For other professional qualifications, you must go through the regular recognition procedures of the host country. For more information, contact your point of single contact.

Rechtsbehelf

Kurztext

- European Professional Card (EBA)
- English: European Professional Card (EPC)
- The European Professional Card is an online procedure of the European Union (EU)
- The European Professional Card can be used to recognise certain professional qualifications within the

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EU and the European Economic Area (EEA)

- You can use the European Professional Card if you want to work permanently or temporarily in another EU or EEA country
- Currently, you can apply for the European Professional Card for the following professional qualifications: Nurse (nurse for general care) Pharmacist Physiotherapist Mountain guide Real estate agent
- The European Professional Card is not an identity document or identity card it is an online procedure; the applicant receives proof that can be verified online
- Attention: Even with the professional card, you may still have to apply for a professional license or a permit to use the professional title; only then may you work in the profession or wear the job title
- The competent body and the points of single contact shall assist in the procedure
- Responsible: respective competent authorities in the country of origin and host country

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Zuständige Stelle

Formulare

Forms: no

Online procedure possible: yes

Written form required: no

Personal appearance required: no
https://ecas.ec.europa.eu/cas/login?loginRequestId=ECAS_LR-2638955-Xs9TdFZaqs43PeA5S0iEcK9Nc1KEzqKw5InT86UfAtPd1gmeoF6YyBWVYv7bwun1byfgqZAtWop

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