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# Applying for a settlement permit for EU Blue Card holders

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Leistungsschlüssel	99010003001006
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Typisierung	2/3b - Bund: Regelung, Land: Ausführungsvorschriften, Kommune: Vollzug
Quellredaktion	Sachsen-Anhalt
Freigabestatus Katalog	unbestimmter Freigabestatus
Freigabestatus Bibliothek	unbestimmter Freigabestatus
Begriffe im Kontext	
Leistungstyp	Leistungsobjekt mit Verrichtung
Leistungsgruppierung	Aufenthaltstitel (010)
Verrichtungskennung	Erteilung (001)
SDG-Informationsbereich	Anforderungen in Bezug auf Aufenthaltskarten für Unionsbürger und ihre Familienmitglieder,

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	einschließlich Familienmitglieder, die keine Unionsbürger sind
Lagen Portalverbund	Einwanderung (1080100), Arbeit (1040000), Personal einstellen (2030200)
Einheitlicher Ansprechpartner	Nein
Fachlich freigegeben am	02.07.22
Fachlich freigegeben durch	Ministry of the Interior and Municipal Affairs of the State of Brandenburg
Handlungsgrundlage	<a href="https://www.gesetze-im-internet.de/aufenthg_2004/_18c.html">https://www.gesetze-im-internet.de/aufenthg_2004/_18c.html</a> <a href="https://www.gesetze-im-internet.de/aufenthg_2004/_18b.html">https://www.gesetze-im-internet.de/aufenthg_2004/_18b.html</a> <a href="https://www.gesetze-im-internet.de/aufenthg_2004/_9.html">https://www.gesetze-im-internet.de/aufenthg_2004/_9.html</a> <a href="https://www.gesetze-im-internet.de/aufenthg_2004/_18c.html">https://www.gesetze-im-internet.de/aufenthg_2004/_18c.html</a> <a href="https://www.gesetze-im-internet.de/aufenthg_2004/_18b.html">https://www.gesetze-im-internet.de/aufenthg_2004/_18b.html</a> <a href="https://www.gesetze-im-internet.de/aufenthg_2004/_9.html">https://www.gesetze-im-internet.de/aufenthg_2004/_9.html</a>
Teaser	As an EU Blue Card holder, you can apply for a permanent settlement permit under simplified conditions.
Volltext	If you hold an EU Blue Card residence permit, you can apply for a settlement permit after just 21 or 33 months.
Erforderliche Unterlagen	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Recognized and valid identity document (for example, passport or passport substitute)</li> <li>• Current biometric photo in passport format (45 x 35 mm)</li> <li>• Employment contract or binding job offer in the event of a change of employer</li> <li>• Proof of past employment subject to compulsory insurance for a period of 21 or 33 months (including insurance contributions paid, for example by submitting pension information)</li> <li>• Proof of subsistence (e.g. proof of income, proof of</li> </ul>

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receipt of benefits such as parents or child benefit, alimony payments)

- Proof of health insurance coverage (for example, confirmation of health insurance coverage or insurance policy)
- Proof of knowledge of the German language at level A1 (after 33 months) or B1 (after 21 months) of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (e.g. language certificate, German school, training or university certificates).
- Admission to the profession if a regulated profession is practised (e.g. licence to practise medicine or a licence to practise a profession)
- Proof of basic knowledge of German law and society (e.g. certificate of successful participation in an orientation course and successful completion of an orientation test) Please note: This proof can be waived if there is an illness or disability that prevents the acquisition of knowledge. This must be proven in an appropriate form (for example, by a specialist opinion, proof of reasons that make the acquisition of knowledge impossible or unreasonable in the long term).
- Proof of sufficient living space (rental or purchase contract that provides information about the living space)

The documents and information must always be submitted in German.

In individual cases, the Foreigners' Registration Office may require fewer or additional documents.

## Voraussetzungen

- You have a valid EU Blue Card (residence permit).
- Within the framework of the EU Blue Card issued, you have exercised employment corresponding to your qualifications and received a salary that corresponds to the applicable annual minimum gross salary (for example, this amounts to 56,400.00 euros in 2022; for so-called shortage occupations, the limit in 2022 is 43,992.00 euros).
- You would like to continue your work in a job corresponding to your qualifications with the corresponding minimum salary.
- You can secure a livelihood for yourself and your

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family without recourse to public services.

- You have sufficient health insurance coverage.
- You have a permanent employment permit.
- If you work in a regulated profession, you must be in possession of the required professional license (for example, license to practice medicine or professional license).
- If you want to obtain a settlement permit after 21 months: You have been in possession of the EU Blue Card for a period of 21 months and can prove that you are in employment subject to compulsory insurance for this period. You have sufficient knowledge of the German language at level B1 of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages.
- If you want to obtain a settlement permit after 33 months: You have been in possession of the EU Blue Card for a period of 33 months and can prove that you are in employment subject to compulsory insurance for this period. You have a basic knowledge of the German language at level A1 of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages.
- You have basic knowledge of German law and society. Please note: Orientation courses offered by the BAMF impart this knowledge.
- You have sufficient living space for yourself and your family members.
- You have no criminal record.
- There is no interest in expulsion against you

## Kosten

Fee: 113,00 Euro

Remark:

The timing and form of charging and payment vary depending on the authority.

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

## Verfahrensablauf

- The settlement permit must be applied for before the validity of your current EU Blue Card expires.
- Find out whether your immigration authority allows you to submit your application online or has a special

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application form.

- If the application is only possible in person, please arrange an appointment with the locally responsible immigration authority. In the case of an online application, the Foreigners' Registration Office will contact you upon receipt of your application to make an appointment.
- During the appointment at the Foreigners' Registration Office, your identity and proof will be checked (please bring your documents, if possible in the original, to the appointment).
- If your application is granted, the Foreigners' Registration Office will arrange for the establishment permit to be issued by Bundesdruckerei (in the form of an electronic residence permit, or eAT card for short). For this, your fingerprints will be taken.
- After completion, you will receive information and can pick up the eAT card from the responsible office. Since the eAT card is linked to an online ID function, you must always pick it up in person.
- If your application is rejected, you will receive a rejection notice.

## Bearbeitungsdauer

Duration: approx. 6 to 8 weeks Note for further information on processing time: The processing time may vary depending on the workload of the Foreigners' Registration Office. The production of the electronic residence title by Bundesdruckerei takes about 4 to 6 weeks.

## Frist

Application deadline: 6 to 8 weeks Remark (for more information on the deadline): At the latest 6 to 8 weeks before the expiry of the current EU Blue Card, the application should be received by the Foreigners' Registration Office. Duration: The settlement permit is issued for an unlimited period. Only the electronic residence title (eAT card) is issued for a limited period and must be renewed after the end of its validity.

## weiterführende Informationen

You can also get free advice on the topics of entry, residence and work from the "Hotline Working and Living in Germany" from the Federal Government's portal for skilled workers from abroad. Phone: 030 1815-1111 Service hours: Monday to Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

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<https://www.bamf.de/DE/Themen/MigrationAufenthalt/ZuwandererDrittstaaten/Migrathek/BlaueKarteEU/blauekarteeu-node.html>  
<https://www.europaeischer-referenzrahmen.de/>

## Hinweise

- The minimum salary limits are announced annually at the end of the year for the following year in the Federal Gazette by the Federal Ministry of the Interior and for Home Affairs and also updated on the corresponding websites.
- If the conditions for the extension of the EU Blue Card are met, the settlement permit can also be issued in addition to the EU Blue Card. It is possible to hold a settlement permit and an EU Blue Card at the same time.
- The procedure is usually carried out in German.
- Make sure that your information is correct and complete to the best of your knowledge and belief. This is the only way the Foreigners' Registration Office can process your request without major delays.
- Inaccurate or incomplete information may slow down the process and be detrimental to you. In an emergency, incorrect or incomplete information that is not completed or corrected in time vis-à-vis the immigration authority may result in the withdrawal of residence rights already granted, a fine, imprisonment of up to three years or expulsion from the federal territory.

## Rechtsbehelf

- Appeal against the decision of the Foreigners' Registration Office
- Action before the court named in the notice of opposition if the objection is not complied with

## Kurztext

- Settlement permit issuance for EU Blue Card holders
- Holders of the EU Blue Card can apply for a settlement permit after 33 months if they have been in employment subject to compulsory insurance during this period and can easily communicate with German (language level A1).
- If you have sufficient knowledge of German (language level B1), the deadline is reduced to 21 months.
- Over the entire period, a salary corresponding to the annual minimum gross salary must have been received.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The livelihood for oneself and family members of the household must be secured without recourse to public benefits.</li> <li>• In the case of regulated professions, the authorisation required for the permanent exercise of the profession must be available.</li> <li>• Basic knowledge of the German legal and social system is required.</li> <li>• Sufficient living space for oneself and family members of the household must be proven.</li> <li>• Responsible: the immigration authority responsible for the place of residence of the applicant</li> </ul>
Ansprechpunkt	The immigration authority responsible for the place of residence of the applicant.
Zuständige Stelle	
Formulare	<p>Forms available: No</p> <p>Written form required: No</p> <p>Informal application possible: Yes</p> <p>Personal appearance required: Yes</p>
Ursprungsportal	Niederlassungserlaubnis für Inhaber einer Blauen Karte EU beantragen, Applying for a settlement permit for EU Blue Card holders