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# Permission to use the professional title of nurse for professional qualifications from third countries

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Leistungsschlüssel	99150049001000
Leistungsbezeichnung I	Permission to use the professional title of nurse for professional qualifications from third countries
Leistungsbezeichnung II	Application for a professional permit as a health and nursing professional from third countries (recognition until 2024)
Typisierung	2/3 - Bund: Regelung (2 oder 3), Land/Kommune: Vollzug
Quellredaktion	Hamburg
Freigabestatus Katalog	unbestimmter Freigabestatus
Freigabestatus Bibliothek	unbestimmter Freigabestatus
Begriffe im Kontext	<div lang="en-x-mtfrom-de">Foreign qualification</div> , <div lang="en-x-mtfrom-de">Equivalency assessment</div> , <div lang="en-x-mtfrom-de">Recognition in Germany</div> , <div lang="en-x-mtfrom-de">adaptation course</div> , <div></div>

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lang="en-x-mtfrom-de">foreign degree</div>, <div  
 lang="en-x-mtfrom-de">professional  
 qualification</div>, <div lang="en-x-mtfrom-de">work  
 permit</div>, <div lang="en-x-mtfrom-de">Permission  
 to use the professional title</div>, <div  
 lang="en-x-mtfrom-de">professional recognition</div>,  
 <div lang="en-x-mtfrom-de">Access to  
 occupation</div>, <div  
 lang="en-x-mtfrom-de">adaptation period</div>, <div  
 lang="en-x-mtfrom-de">notice of recognition</div>,  
 <div lang="en-x-mtfrom-de">recognition  
 procedure</div>, <div lang="en-x-mtfrom-de">Aptitude  
 test</div>, <div lang="en-x-mtfrom-de">professional  
 recognition</div>, <div  
 lang="en-x-mtfrom-de">Certificate of  
 Equivalence</div>, <div  
 lang="en-x-mtfrom-de">healthcare profession</div>,  
 <div lang="en-x-mtfrom-de">Professional  
 Qualifications Assessment Act</div>, <div  
 lang="en-x-mtfrom-de">Recognition in Germany</div>,  
 <div lang="en-x-mtfrom-de">Directive  
 2005/36/EC</div>, <div  
 lang="en-x-mtfrom-de">LPA</div>

**Leistungstyp**
**Leistungsgruppierung**
**Verrichtungskennung**
**SDG-Informationsbereich**
**Lagen Portalverbund**
**Einheitlicher  
Ansprechpartner**

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**Fachlich freigegeben am**

02.02.2025

**Fachlich freigegeben durch**
**Handlungsgrundlage**

§ 1 Nursing Act  
 Section 66 Nursing Professions Act (PflBG)  
 <[https://www.gesetze-im-internet.de/pflbg/\\_66.html](https://www.gesetze-im-internet.de/pflbg/_66.html)>

**Teaser**

Would you like to work as a nurse in Germany? Then  
 you need a state permit. To do this, you must submit

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an application and have your foreign professional qualification recognised.

**Volltext**

The profession of nurse is regulated in Germany. This means that you need a state permit so that you can work as a nurse in Germany. With the permit, you are allowed to use the professional title "health and nurse" or "health and nurse" and work in the profession. Even with a professional qualification from a so-called third country, you can obtain a state permit from the competent authority in Germany. Third countries are all countries that do not belong to the European Union (EU), the European Economic Area (EEA) or Switzerland. In order to obtain the permit, you must have your foreign professional qualification recognised. Nursing training in Germany was reformed on January 1, 2020 and the new Nursing Professions Act applies. The profession based on this is called "nursing specialist" or "nursing specialist" and is new. There is a transitional period for the recognition of foreign professional qualifications based on the Nursing Act. Until December 31, 2024, foreign professional qualifications may still be temporarily recognized as a registered nurse. The competent authority will advise you. In the recognition procedure, the competent authority compares your professional qualification from abroad with the German professional qualification and checks the equivalence. The equivalence of the professional qualification is an important prerequisite for the granting of the state permit. In addition to the equivalence of the professional qualification, you must also meet other requirements for the granting of the permit. Other requirements are e.g. B. sufficient German language skills and health suitability. If your professional qualification comes from the EU, the EEA or Switzerland, other regulations apply. You can also apply for the procedure from abroad.

**Erforderliche Unterlagen**

- Application (available online)
- Documents according to leaflet (available online)
- Proof of language proficiency B2/ technical language test (see leaflet)
- Medical certificate (available online)
- Official certificate of good conduct according to § 30

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	Para. 5 BZRG
Voraussetzungen	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• You have successfully completed training as a registered nurse outside the European Union (EU), the European Economic Area (EEA) or Switzerland and are entitled to work there as a self-employed registered nurse to work.</li> <li>• You want to work as a nurse in Germany.</li> <li>• Personal suitability: You are reliable for work as a registered nurse and have no criminal record.</li> <li>• Medical suitability: You can work mentally and physically as a registered nurse.</li> <li>• You have German language skills at the required language level. This is usually language level B2 according to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR).</li> </ul>
Kosten	at least EUR 225, depending on the effort up to EUR 600 plus EUR 42 for the certificate
Verfahrensablauf	<p><b>**application**</b></p> <p>You compile your documents using the leaflet that you can find on our website or that you have received from us. Submit the documents together with the application in the required form.</p> <p><b>**equivalence test**</b></p> <p>The competent authority will then check whether you meet all the requirements. An important prerequisite is the equivalence of your professional qualification. The competent authority compares your professional qualification from abroad with the German professional qualification as a nurse. The professional qualification is equivalent if there are no significant differences between your foreign professional qualification and the German professional qualification.</p> <p><b>**Possible results of the test**</b></p> <p>If there is equivalence, submit proof of your health, language and personal suitability (instruction sheet).</p> <p>If there is no equivalence, you will complete an adjustment measure in the form of a knowledge test or an adjustment course. You will receive further</p>

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	information from us on this.
Bearbeitungsdauer	• up to 2 months in the accelerated procedure • up to 4 months in the regular procedure
Frist	No
weiterführende Informationen	<a href="https://www.hamburg.de/go/lpa">https://www.hamburg.de/go/lpa</a> <a href="https://www.hamburg.de/landespruefungsamt/">https://www.hamburg.de/landespruefungsamt/</a>
Hinweise	
Rechtsbehelf	An objection to a negative decision can be raised within one month of notification at the office specified in the letterhead.
Kurztext	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Apply for recognition as a registered nurse with professional qualifications from third countries under the Nursing Act by the end of 2024.</li> <li>• In Germany, you need a state permit to work as a nurse.</li> <li>• With the permit, you can officially call yourself a "health and nurse" and work in the profession.</li> <li>• Even with a professional qualification from a so-called third country, you can get a state permit in Germany. Third countries are all countries that do not belong to the European Union (EU), the European Economic Area (EEA) or Switzerland.</li> <li>• Nursing training in Germany was reformed on January 1, 2020 and the new Nursing Professions Act applies. The profession based on this is called "nursing specialist" or "nursing specialist" and is new. There is a transitional period for the recognition of foreign professional qualifications based on the Nursing Act. Until December 31, 2024, foreign professional qualifications may still be temporarily recognized as a registered nurse.</li> </ul>
Ansprechpunkt	If you want to find out exactly who is responsible for your request, please follow the link to [Hamburg Service]( <a href="https://www.hamburg.de/service/info/hasi/12361">https://www.hamburg.de/service/info/hasi/12361</a> )
Zuständige Stelle	Authority for Labor, Health, Social Affairs, Family and Integration
Formulare	

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Ursprungsportal	Hamburg Service, Hamburg Service (Currently this link is only available in german)