

TEMPORARY RESIDENCE – SLOVAK LIVING ABROAD

May be obtained for a maximum period of 5 years.

May be granted to a foreign national holding a **Certificate of a Slovak Living Abroad**. A foreign national holding a Certificate of a Slovak Living who applied for temporary residence is **entitled to reside in the territory of Slovakia until the decision on the application**.

A foreign national with a granted temporary residence holding the status of a Slovak Living Abroad is **entitled to work and do business without the need of further permits**. A foreign national with a granted temporary residence holding the status of a Slovak Living Abroad is also **entitled to study**.

APPLICATION

The application must be submitted in person on the official form and in Slovak language.

The application must be submitted together with all of the following documents, otherwise it will not be accepted:

1. Valid passport;
2. Two colour photographs (3 × 3.5 cm);
3. Certificate of a Slovak Living Abroad;
4. Criminal record statement from the country of the foreign national's citizenship and the countries where he/she resided for more than 90 days during 6 consecutive months in the last 3 years (does not apply in the case the foreign national submits the application within 60 days of being granted the Certificate of a Slovak Living Abroad);
5. Administrative fee EUR 4.50 (for issuing a residence document).

CHANGE IN THE TYPE/PURPOSE OF TEMPORARY RESIDENCE

Change in the type of residence means the change from temporary residence to permanent residence (e.g. in the case of marriage with a →

THE APPLICATION MAY BE SUBMITTED AT:

- The diplomatic mission of the SR accredited to the country of the foreign national's citizenship;
- The diplomatic mission of the SR accredited to the country of the foreign national's residence; or
- The Foreign Police competent according to the place of the foreign national's residence;
- When submitting the application at the diplomatic mission, the foreign national will be interviewed for the purpose of a preliminary assessment of the application.

IMPORTANT:

- The documents must not be older than 90 days at the time of submitting the application, except for the Certificate of a Slovak Living Abroad, which may be older than 90 days.
- All documents issued abroad must be officially authenticated (apostille or superlegalization) and officially translated →

citizen of the SR, or after the lapse of 5 years of a legal and uninterrupted residence in the territory of the SR).

This means submitting a **new application** for permanent residence. The application for change in the type of residence must be submitted no later than the **last day of validity of the temporary residence**. In such case, the foreign national's residence is considered legal (only) in the territory of Slovakia until the decision on change in the type of residence.

RENEWAL OF TEMPORARY RESIDENCE

Temporary residence may be renewed (extended) repeatedly. Temporary residence of a person holding the status of a Slovak Living Abroad may be renewed for a maximum period of 5 years.

The application for renewal of temporary residence must be **submitted in person** at the competent Foreign Police Department no later than the **last day of validity of the temporary residence**. It is required that the purpose for which the temporary residence was granted still lasts. The application for renewal of temporary residence must be accompanied by a **valid travel document**, otherwise the Police Authority will not accept the application. The temporary residence is considered legal (only) in the territory of Slovakia until the decision on its renewal.

The application must be submitted together with:

1. Valid passport;
2. One colour photograph (3 × 3.5 cm);
3. Certificate of a Slovak Living Abroad;
4. Document on health insurance;
5. Administrative fee EUR 4.50 (for issuing a residence document).

AFTER BEING GRANTED TEMPORARY RESIDENCE, THE FOREIGN NATIONAL MUST:

1. Enter the territory of Slovakia within 180 days from its granting;
2. Report the beginning of his/her residence at the Foreign Police within 3 working days from entering the territory of Slovakia;
3. Conclude a health insurance policy within 3 working days from collecting the residence document;
4. Reside in the territory of the SR for more than half of the length of the granted temporary residence in a calendar year.

to Slovak language by a certified translator included in the List of Experts, Interpreters and Translators registered with the Ministry of Justice of the Slovak Republic (<http://jaspi.justice.gov.sk>).

- Signatures in affidavits, agreements, and lease contracts must be notarized.
- Copies of documents must be notarized.
- It is recommended not to submit original documents at the Foreign Police/diplomatic mission of the SR, as the Foreign Police does not return documents, but to rather make copies of important documents (e.g. Certificate of a Slovak Living Abroad), have them notarized and submit these at the Foreign Police/diplomatic mission.
- Administrative fees at the Foreign Police are paid in form of electronic fee stamps (eKolok), which may be bought directly at the Foreign Police Department through a vending machine, or at a post office.

Administrative fees at diplomatic missions of the SR are paid in cash or via bank transfers (it is recommended to verify the means of fees' payment with a specific diplomatic mission of the SR).

- The authorities will issue a decision within 30 days from the date of delivery of a complete application.