

## Family reunification

- Legal basis:** EEA and Swiss nationals have the option of bringing their partner to join them in accordance with the provisions of Articles 48 and 49 of the PFZG and Article 18a of the PFZV
- Deadline:** The application must be submitted to the Migration and Passports Office (APA), complete and accurate, at least four weeks before the planned date of taking up residence in Liechtenstein.
- General information:** **Reunification of life partners**  
The following requirements must be met cumulatively:
- Proof of a duly certified long-term relationship. Such a relationship exists, in particular, if the partners can demonstrate that they have maintained a genuine and intact relationship for at least 3 years, or if they share custody of their unmarried children under the age of 18 and reside with them.
  - Both the person following and the person being followed must be unmarried, divorced, in a legally dissolved partnership, or widowed.
  - Both must be over the age of 21.
  - A person who wishes to bring their partner to Liechtenstein must provide proof of a total of at least 5 years of residence in Liechtenstein. The required period of residence may be disregarded if the partners can demonstrate that they share joint custody of their unmarried children under the age of 18 and take up residence together with them. Furthermore, the 5-year residence requirement does not apply if the de facto partner moves to Liechtenstein at the same time as the person with the right of residence.
  - Neither of them may have a criminal record.
  - Neither the spouse nor the person to be joined may have any outstanding debt collection proceedings registered in Liechtenstein or in the country of their last residence.
  - Neither the person seeking to be joined nor the person to join may be dependent on public welfare.
  - To ensure that no social assistance is being claimed, a guarantee from a bank in an EEA country must be provided.

**No** family reunification may be claimed under the provisions of Art. 40 et seq. of the PFZG for children of spouses or partners from previous marriages or relationships who have joined their partner in Switzerland.

### Generally required documents:

- ☐ Application form
  - ☐ Form "Personal Information for the Issuance of a Residence Permit" (ger. „Persönliche Angaben zur Ausstellung des Aufenthaltstitels“) including a passport photo and signature
  - ☐ A copy of a valid passport or valid ID card (EEA or Swiss nationals)
  - ☐ A recent criminal record check (no more than 3 months old) for both individuals from their most recent or current place of residence (if they have moved within the last 6 months, criminal record checks from both places of residence must be submitted)
  - ☐ Current debt collection registry extracts (no more than 3 months old) for both individuals from their most recent or current place of residence (if a move has taken place within the last 6 months, debt collection registry extracts from both places of residence must be submitted)
  - ☐ A current extract from the civil registry for both individuals (e.g., certificate of single status, original or certified copy of the final divorce decree, original or certified copy of the final judgment dissolving the partnership, original or certified copy of the death certificate of the deceased)
  - ☐ Proof of a duly certified long-term relationship of at least 3 years (in addition to a personal letter, which must be signed by both partners, this can be provided by including dated photos, statements from parents and acquaintances, or similar) or proof of joint custody of their unmarried children under the age of 18 (proof of custody, including acknowledgment of paternity)
- The following documents must be submitted after receiving the approval notice, at the latest:
- ☐ A guarantee from a bank based in an EEA country, up to a maximum of CHF 156,000.- (per person)

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