

# Explanation of the application form

## Settlement Permit – Artist

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**You may only tick one box under "Application for a residence permit".**

<b>1. EU passport photo</b>	The passport photograph has to be 35 millimetres wide and 45 millimetres high. You can find the exact dimensions here: <a href="http://www.bmi.gv.at/passbild">www.bmi.gv.at/passbild</a> .
<b>2. Signature</b>	You have to sign directly in front of the employee of the Austrian authority or Austrian embassy.
<b>3.</b>	You are not allowed to write anything here.

Type of application	You may only tick one application type (= one box) here.
<b>4. Initial application</b>	Tick this box if you currently do not have a residence permit for Austria.
<b>5. Extension application</b>	Tick this box if your residence permit is still valid and you are already holding the right purpose for your stay and you want to renew it. The purpose of your stay is for example your studies at a university or family reunification. You can apply when there are only 3 months left until your residence permit expires.
<b>6. Application for change of purpose</b>	Tick this box if your residence permit is still valid and you want to stay in Austria for a different purpose than the one you currently have. If you do not get the other purpose of residence, you will again get the same purpose of residence as before, if it is no longer valid. However, you must meet all the requirements for this.
<b>7. Extension application/Application for change of purpose</b>	Tick this box if you want to continue staying in Austria for a different purpose than the one you currently have AND you want to renew your residence permit if your change of purpose is denied. In this case, you will have to pay double the application fee.

A. My data	Information about you
8. surname(s)	Please fill in your last name. If you have more than one last name, please fill in all of your last names.
9. first name	Please list all your first and middle names.
10. Former surnames	If you previously had one or more different last names, please fill them in here (example: before your marriage).
11. sex	<b>male</b> – Tick this box if you are a man. <b>female</b> – Tick this box if you are a woman. <b>divers, inter, open, not specified</b> - Tick your appropriate gender here if you are not male or female.
12. date of birth	When were you born?
13. country of birth	In which country where you born? example: Austria
14. place of birth	What is your place of birth? example: Vienna
15. marital status	<b>single</b> – Tick this box if you are neither married nor in a registered partnership. <b>married/registered partnership (EP)</b> – Tick this box if you are married or in a registered partnership. <b>divorced/dissolved EP</b> – Tick this box if you are divorced or your registered partnership has been dissolved. <b>widowed/dissolution of registered partnership by death</b> – Tick this box if your husband/wife or registered partner died.
16. nationality(s)	Please fill in your nationality here. If you have more than one nationality, please list them here.
17. since	Since when are you holding the nationalities listed under point 16?
18. former nationality	Have you previously had different nationalities? If yes, please write them down.
19. until	Until when did you have these previous nationalities? You only have to answer this question if you filled out point 18!
20. type of previous residence permit (if available)	Please fill in which residence permit you currently hold (if that applies).
21. date of expiration	Until when is your residence permit valid?
22. health insurance that is compulsory in Austria and covers all risks	Do you have health insurance? Please write down the name. The health insurance must be valid in Austria and cover all risks.

<b>23. Austrian social security no.</b>	Please write down your Austrian Social security number (if applicable).
<b>current residence</b>	<b>Where do you currently live?</b>
<b>24. country</b>	In what country are you currently living?
<b>25. postal code</b>	What is your postal code?
<b>26. street, house number, door number</b>	What is your street address? Please include house number, door or apartment number, if that applies.
<b>27. location</b>	In which place or town do you live?
<b>(intended) place of residence in Austria</b>	<b>Where are you planning to live?</b>
<b>28. postal code</b>	What will be your postal code?
<b>29. street, house number, door number</b>	What will be your street address? Please include house number, door or apartment number, if that applies.
<b>30. location</b>	In which place or town do you plan to live?
<b>contact details</b>	<b>Your contact details</b>
<b>31. phone number</b>	Please write down your phone number, if you have one.
<b>32. E-Mail address</b>	Please write down your e-mail address, if you have one.
<b>authorized representative</b>	It is important that the authority can send you letters and that you can make statements to the authority. For this purpose, you can give a power of attorney to a person living in Austria (e.g. spouse, relative, friend, etc.). A lawyer does not need a power of attorney. You can find a sample power of attorney at <a href="https://www.bmi.gv.at/312_EN/60a/start.aspx">https://www.bmi.gv.at/312_EN/60a/start.aspx</a> , point F.
<b>33. first name(s)</b>	What is the first name of your representative?
<b>34. surname(s)</b>	What is the last name of your representative?
<b>35. postal code</b>	What is the postal code of the town where your representative lives?
<b>36. street, house number, door number</b>	What is the street address of your representative?
<b>37. location</b>	In which town does your representative live?
<b>38. phone number</b>	Please write down the phone number of your representative.
<b>39. E-Mail address</b>	Please write down the e-mail address of your representative.

<b>B. My family members</b>	<b>Data about your family</b>
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<b>parents (fill in for children under the age of 18 only)</b>
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<b>40. father surname(s)</b>	Please list all of your father's last names.
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<b>41. first name(s)</b>	Please list all of your father's first and middle names.
<b>42. date of birth</b>	When was your father born?
<b>43. nationality</b>	Please write down your father's citizenship.
<b>44. Austrian SV no.</b>	If your father has an Austrian social security number, please write it down here.
<b>45. type of residence permit (if available)</b>	If your father has a residence permit in Austria, please write down here which permit he holds.
<b>46. date of expiration</b>	Until when is your father's residence permit valid? <b>You only have to fill in this point, if you filled out point 45.</b>
<b>47. mother surname(s)</b>	Please list all of your mother's last names.
<b>48. first name(s)</b>	Please list all of your mother's first and middle names.
<b>49. date of birth</b>	When was your mother born?
<b>50. nationality</b>	Please write down your mother's citizenship.
<b>51. Austrian SV no.</b>	If your mother has an Austrian social security number, please write it down here.
<b>52. type of residence permit (if available)</b>	If your mother has a residence permit in Austria, please write down here which permit she holds.
<b>53. date of expiration</b>	Until when is your mother's residence permit valid? <b>You only have to fill in this point, if you filled out point 52.</b>
<b>wife or husband or registered partner</b>	
<b>54. surname(s)</b>	<b>Are you currently married or living in a registered partnership?</b> If yes, please fill in your husband's/wife's/partner's last name(s) here.
<b>55. first name(s)</b>	Please write down all of your husband's/wife's/partner's first and middle names.
<b>56. date of birth</b>	What's your husband's/wife's/partner's birth date?
<b>57. nationality</b>	Please fill in your husband's/wife's/partner's nationality.
<b>58. Austrian SV no.</b>	If your husband/wife/partner has an Austrian social security number, please write it down here.
<b>59. type of residence permit (if available)</b>	If your husband/wife/partner has a residence permit, please write down here which permit he/she holds.
<b>60. date of expiration</b>	Until when is your husband's/wife's/partner's residence permit valid? <b>You only have to fill in this point, if you filled out point 59.</b>

<b>children</b>	<b>All natural and adopted children should be listed here.</b>
<b>61. surname(s)</b>	Do you have children? Please write down your child's last name. If your child has more than one last name, please write all of them down.
<b>62. first name(s)</b>	Please write down your child's first and middle name.
<b>63. date of birth</b>	What is your child's date of birth?
<b>64. nationality</b>	Please write down your child's nationality.
<b>65. residence permit</b>	<b>yes</b> – Please tick here, if your child has a residence permit for Austria. <b>no</b> – Please tick here, if your child does not have a residence permit for Austria.

### C. Own funds available to secure the livelihood for the duration of residence

**Do you have assets? Do you have income?**

#### 1. property/assets

<b>66. type of assets (savings book, account)</b>	What kind of income/property do you have (e.g. a bank account, regular income from renting out a house)?
<b>67. height (EUR)</b>	How much is your income/property worth in euros?
<b>68. Where does the money come from (e.g. savings, parents' income)?</b>	Where did you get the money (for example, savings, parents' income)? Who provided you with the money (name, date of birth, nationality, close relationship)?
<b>69. The money belongs only to me (or the person specified in point 54) and I do not have to share it with anyone else</b>	<b>yes</b> – Please tick here, if you have to share the money with somebody other than your husband or your wife. <b>no</b> – Please tick here, if you have to share the money with somebody.

#### 2. income (e.g. salary, wages or other claims such as maintenance)

<b>70. type</b>	Do you have a job or another form of regular income? Do you receive maintenance? Maintenance means that somebody has to give you money every month, e.g. after a divorce.
<b>71. monthly amount (EUR)</b>	How much money do you get per month in euros? Income and maintenance are included.

#### 3. declaration of liability

This is a written statement by a person who is responsible for your accommodation and financial support in Austria. The person must also pay for the costs incurred by a territorial authority if, for example, you do

not leave Austria voluntarily despite a return decision, expulsion or a residence ban. A territorial authority is, for example, the federal government, state or municipality.

The declaration of liability is valid for five years and must be certified by an Austrian notary or domestic court.

The declaration of liability is possible with:

- "Settlement Permit – Artist"
- "Settlement Permit" according to § 56 NAG
- "Residence Permit – Pupil"
- "Residence Permit – Student"

The declaration of liability is mandatory for:

"Settlement Permit – Dependent"

"Stay Permit – Volunteers"

You can find a declaration of liability at

<https://bmi.gv.at/312/60a/start.aspx> (only in German).

72. **yes**  **no**

**yes** – Please tick here, if somebody signed a declaration of liability for you.

**no** – Please tick here, if you do not have a declaration of liability.

#### 4. regular expenses

73. **I have the following regular expenses**

Do you have regular expenses? For example: Do you have to pay rent? Do you have to repay a debt?

74. **rental costs**

How much do you pay for rent?

75. **credit charges / installment payments**

Do you have a loan? How much do you have to pay back each month?

76. **seizures / executions**

Did a court order you to make monthly payments?

77. **maintenance payments (e.g. after divorce)**

Do you have to pay maintenance for somebody?

78. **other**

Do you have to make regular payments?

79. **I have no regular expenses.**

Tick here if you do not have any regular payments.

### Which documents do you need for the application?

- Valid travel document, e.g. a passport.
- Photo of yourself (see point 1 of this explanation).
- A document stating whether you have been convicted by a court. You can get this document for example from the police or from a court in your home country.

You only need this document for the initial application.

- Certificate of marriage or a partner certificate, if that applies.

- Document about your divorce or dissolution of your registered partnership, if that applies.
- Proof or document of relationship.  
If you want to prove that a person is related to you (for example: your child), you must bring a confirmation. This is, for example, a birth certificate or an adoption certificate. In all other cases, you do not need to present a birth certificate.
- Death certificate, if that applies.
- Proof about sufficient health insurance in Austria.
- Proof to a locally customary accommodation.  
For example your housing agreement (Wohnrechtsvereinbarung), rental contract or proof of ownership of an apartment or house.
- Proof that you have sufficient income.  
For example a work contract, a pay slip or a confirmation that you receive a pension. It may also be a proof that you own property.
- Proof that you have already learned German at the simplest level (A1).  
You only need this evidence for the first application. Please also note that most artists are exempt from having to provide proof of German language skills.

As a **self-employed artist** you also need:

- a written contract about your planned artistic activity in Austria
- a proof of your artistic education or
- a description of how you have worked artistically up to now.

As an **employed artist** you also need:

- an employer declaration.  
This is a declaration from your future employer.  
The Aliens Employment Act states what the declaration must look like.
- a proof of your artistic education or
- a description of how you have worked artistically up to now.

**ATTENTION:**

**Even if you have already submitted all the listed documents, the authority may still require more information/documents from you. This may be necessary if not everything is clear for the authority yet. Therefore, please send these documents to the authority quickly.**

**If you do not pay the fees, you cannot get a residence permit. Please pay the fees as soon as possible. If you pay later, your procedure will take longer.**