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National visa

Job Seeker

General Information

All applicants who wish to search for a job in Germany are required to obtain a residence permit in the form of a visa. This residence permit must be issued before entering the country.

- Detailed information about employment in Germany including requirements can be found here.
- Processing the visa application takes up to 12 weeks upon submission of complete documents. The
 residence permit can be issued only upon positive recommendation by the competent authorities
 in Germany. The applicant will receive a prompt notification upon completion of the processing.
 We ask that no status request is made if the required processing period has not yet passed.
- After the application has been approved, the German Embassy will only issue an entry permit in a form of a visa. A final residence permit for the whole duration of the stay will be granted in Germany by the Foreigners Authority. The Aliens Authority requires all residence permit holders to register upon their first arrival.
- After the application has been approved, the German Embassy will only issue an entry permit in a form of a visa with the duration of 180 days. A final residence permit (if a job is found) will be granted in Germany by the Foreigners Authority.
- It is recommended that no flight ticket is purchased until a visa has been granted!
- Foreign documents issued in other languages than English or German have to be submitted with an official translation.
- Please note that foreign certificates must recognized legally for Germany. Therefore, Bahraini certificates need a so-called "Apostille". Please see our website for further information.
- The German Embassy Manama reserves the right to request further documents.

Employment is not permitted during the stay. You are only permitted to participate in a try-out-period of no more than 10 hours per week.

<u>Blocked Account as proof for financial means:</u> The current amounts can be found <u>here</u>. The amount changes yearly.



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Visa Application Checklist

with one copy). Originals will be returned after the application has been processed at the latest.	
	One (1) fully completed and signed application form including declarations pursuant to
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	Declarations according to § 54 (2) no. 8 in conjunction with § 53 of the German Residence Act,
	duly signed.
	Two (2) current biometric passport photos. Digitally processed photos cannot be accepted.
	Original passport (or travel document) valid for at least 3 months longer than the intended stay.
	It must contain at least two blank pages and must have been issued within the last 10 years.
	Provide a copy of the passport data page and if applicable previous visas withing the last three (3) years.
	Bahrain CPR (residence permit) and one (1) copy
	Proof of academic qualifications entitling the applicant to the aspired occupation in Germany (e.
	g. university degree etc.), please check with the recognized information platform ANABIN and
	provide us with a print-out of your results.
	Proof of professional qualifications entitling the applicant to the aspired occupation in Germany,
	please check with the recognized information platform www.anerkennung-in-deutschland.de
	Proof of adequate financial means
	A blocked account (Sperrkonto) at a German bank showing a minimum amount according to the duration of your intended stay NOTE: You have to open the blocked account directly with a bank of choice. Additional information on blocked accounts in Germany can be found on the website of the German Foreign Ministry. Open the blocked account in good time BEFORE you apply for a visa. When applying for a visa, only the official confirmation of the opening of the account including information on the amount paid in and the amount available per month will be accepted. A confirmation that does not include this information is not sufficient.
	<u>a formal letter of obligation</u> (Verpflichtungserklärung) according to paragraph §§66,68 of the Aliens Act, from a resident of Germany and for the duration of the applicant's stay in Germany.
	Proof of accommodation in Germany with full address (e. g. renting contract, hotel reservation or invitation letter in case of private accommodation with name, full address and passport copy of
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	Proof of German language knowledge (B1)
	Motivation Letter



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□ Detailed CV		
☐ Proof of adequate health insurance cover		
Fee		
□ Visa fee of 75 €. Payable in Bahraini Dinar		
Completeness of application		
\square The application is complete: \square Yes \square No, the information/documents indicated above are		
lacking.		