

# TEMPORARY RESIDENCE – SLOVAK LIVING ABROAD

May be granted to an applicant who has been issued a Certificate of a Slovak Living Abroad for a maximum of five years.

A person with a Certificate of a Slovak Living Abroad who has applied for temporary residence is entitled to stay in Slovakia until the decision on the application is made.

The temporary residence of a person with the status of a Slovak living abroad allows them to work without the need for further permits, to do business and to study.

## APPLICATION

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

All the following documents must be submitted with the application; 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 applicant's citizenship and the countries where he/she resided for more than 90 days during six consecutive months in the last three years (not applicable if the applicant submits his/her residence application within 60 days of being issued the Certificate of a Slovak Living Abroad, when changing the type/purpose of residence and in the case of a child younger than 14 years of age);
5. Administrative fee EUR 6 (for issuing a residence card).

## CHANGE IN THE TYPE OF RESIDENCE

A change in the type of residence means the change from temporary residence to permanent residence (e.g. in case of marriage to a Slovak citizen or after five years of a legal and uninterrupted residence in Slovakia).

This means submitting a new application for permanent residence. The application for a change in the type of residence must be submitted no later than on the last day of validity of one's temporary residence.

### THE APPLICATION MAY BE SUBMITTED AT:

- The diplomatic mission of the SR accredited to the country of the applicant's citizenship, or
- The diplomatic mission of the SR accredited to the country of the applicant's residence, or
- The Foreign Police Department competent for the applicant's place of residence.

When submitting the application at the diplomatic mission, the applicant will be interviewed for the purpose of a preliminary assessment of the application.

### IMPORTANT:

- The documents (with the exception of the Certificate of a Slovak Living Abroad) must not be older than **90 days** at the time of submitting the application.
- Public documents issued abroad must be officially authenticated (apostille/consular legalization).
- Documents issued in a language other than Slovak must be translated to Slovak by a certified translator registered in the List of Experts, Interpreters and Translators at the Ministry of Justice of the Slovak Republic [http://bit.ly/SK\\_translators](http://bit.ly/SK_translators) →

The applicant's stay is considered authorised (only) in Slovakia until the decision on his/her application is made.

## RENEWAL OF TEMPORARY RESIDENCE

Temporary residence may be renewed, even repeatedly. Temporary residence of a person holding the status of a Slovak Living Abroad may be renewed for a maximum period of five years.

Application for a residence renewal must be submitted in person at the competent Foreign Police Department no later than on the last day of one's temporary residence validity. It is required that the purpose for which the temporary residence was granted still exists.

The application for the renewal of a temporary residence must be accompanied by a valid travel document, otherwise, the police officer cannot accept the application.

The temporary residence is considered authorised (only) in Slovakia until the decision on its renewal is made. 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. Proof of health insurance;
5. Administrative fee EUR 6 (for issuing a residence card).

## OBLIGATIONS AFTER TEMPORARY RESIDENCE IS GRANTED:

- Arrive in Slovakia within 180 days of being granted residence.
- Report the beginning of your stay to the Foreign Police within three working days of entering Slovakia.
- Sign up for health insurance within three working days of receiving the residence card.

- Signatures on affidavits, powers of attorney and tenancy agreements must be notarized.
- Photocopies of documents must be notarized.
- We recommend that you do not submit the originals of important documents (e.g. diploma, rental contract) but rather have certified photocopies made which can be handed over to the Foreign Police/diplomatic mission and the originals retained.
- At the Foreign Police, the administrative fees are paid by means of electronic fee stamps (eKolok), which may be bought directly at the Foreign Police Department through a vending machine, or at a post office.
- The authorities will issue a decision within 90 days of receipt of a complete application.
- The authorities will issue a decision within 30 days from the date of delivery of a complete application.