

Renewal of temporary residence

Temporary residence may be extended repeatedly. The maximum period of temporary residence renewal depends on the purpose for which it was granted (for a maximum period of 3 or 5 years). If you wish to apply for renewal of your temporary residence, you must submit the application in person at the competent Alien Police Department **no later than the last day of its validity**. It is required that the purpose for which the residence was granted, still lasts. Your temporary residence in Slovakia is considered legal until the decision on its renewal.

The application has to be submitted together with:

1. Valid passport,
2. One colour photograph (3 x 3.5 cm),
3. Document proving the purpose of residence,
4. Document on your accommodation,
5. Document proving your health insurance (not applicable in case of employment or study),
6. Document on financial coverage of your stay in Slovakia in the amount of monthly life minimum for each month of your residence (not applicable in case of a Slovak Living Abroad, business and performing professional duties by civilian units of the armed forces).

When renewing your temporary residence for the purpose of business, you will have to prove settlement of all your financial commitments and your net income for the previous taxation period amounting to 20 times the monthly life minimum in case of a sole trader and amounting to 60 times the monthly life minimum in case of an executive of a commercial company.



This information may be subject to frequent changes, therefore we recommend to keep updated by calling the **information helpline of the IOM Migration Information Centre (MIC) 0850 211 478**, sending an e-mail to our address mic@iom.int or by visiting the MIC website www.mic.iom.sk.

Change in the purpose of temporary residence

You may perform **only such activity, for which the residence was granted**, or another activity, which this residence allows. If you wish to **perform a different activity** than the one for which the temporary residence was granted, you must apply for **change in the purpose of temporary residence**. Your temporary residence in Slovakia is considered legal until the decision on change in the purpose of temporary residence.

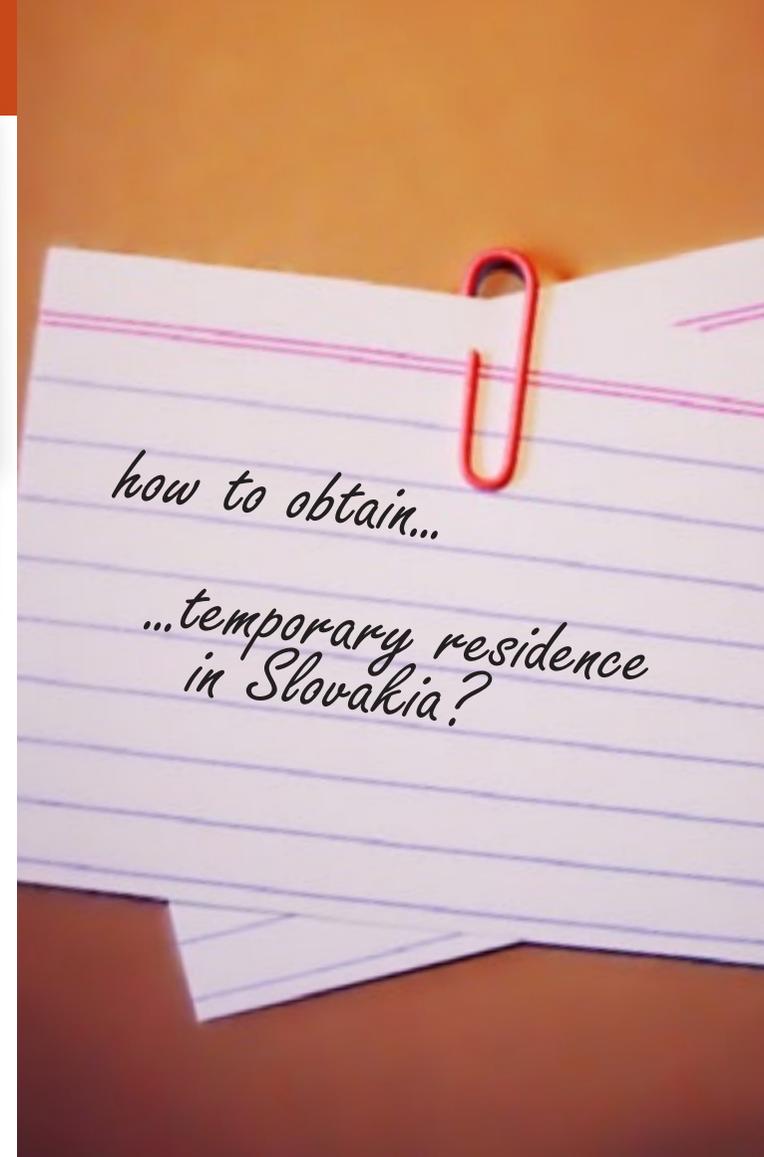
Exceptions

- ✓ If you were granted any type of temporary residence, you are allowed to study during your residence.
- ✓ If you were granted temporary residence for the purpose of study, you are allowed to work during your residence without the need of further permits, if your work does not exceed 10 hours per week or the equivalent number of days or months in a year.
- ✓ If you were granted temporary residence for the purpose of study, you may also do business.
- ✓ If you were granted temporary residence for the purpose of family reunion, you are allowed to do business or work without the need of further permits.

IOM Migration Information Centre of the International Organization for Migration (MIC) provides third country nationals with **free of charge** counselling and information on various areas of life in Slovakia.

MIC provides the information and counselling by means of:

- ✓ **Personal consultations in Bratislava**, Grösslingová 4, on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 9 - 17, on Wednesday from 13 - 17 and on Friday from 9 - 13
- ✓ **Personal consultations in Košice**, Poštová 1, from Monday to Thursday from 13 - 17 and on Friday from 9 - 13
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HOW TO OBTAIN TEMPORARY RESIDENCE IN SLOVAKIA?

Purposes of temporary residence

If you want to stay in the territory of the Slovak Republic longer than 90 days within a six - month period, you may apply for temporary residence. It is always granted for **one specific purpose only** and only exceptionally entitles you to perform other activities as well. It may be granted for the following purposes:

- ✓ **Business,**
- ✓ **Employment,**
- ✓ **Study,**
- ✓ **Special activity** (artistic, sports, lecturing, volunteering activity, internship, medical treatment etc.),
- ✓ **Research and development,**
- ✓ **Family reunion,**
- ✓ **Performing professional duties by civilian units of the armed forces,**
- ✓ **Person with acknowledged status of a Slovak Living Abroad,**
- ✓ **Person with acknowledged long-term residence in another EU Member State.**

The EU Blue Card is also considered a temporary residence. Specific procedure applies to issuance of EU Blue Cards.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Submitting an application for temporary residence does not entitle you to reside in Slovakia. Until you obtain the temporary residence, you are entitled to stay in Slovakia only on basis of a valid visa, another residence permit, or within the visa-free regime.

Application for temporary residence

The application for temporary residence must be submitted at the diplomatic mission of the Slovak Republic accredited to the country of your citizenship or the country of your residence. When applying at the diplomatic mission, you will be **interviewed** for the purpose of preliminary assessment of your application. If you reside in Slovakia legally, you may submit the application at the competent Alien Police Department according to the place of your residence.

The application must be submitted in person on the official form in Slovak language. The application must be submitted together with:

1. **Valid passport,**
2. **Two colour photographs** (3 x 3.5 cm),
3. **Document proving the purpose of residence**, e.g.:
 - ✓ an authenticated copy of a Trade Licence
 - ✓ an authenticated copy of a Work Permit
 - ✓ a document from a school on enrolment for study
4. **Criminal Registry Extract from the country of your origin and the countries where you resided in the last 3 years for more than 90 days during 6 consecutive months** (not applicable in case of change in the purpose of residence, long-term residence, performing professional duties by civilian units of the armed forces and in case of a secondary school student),
5. **Document on your accommodation in Slovakia** (for a minimum of 6 months or for the entire stay, when applying for temporary residence for a shorter time), e.g.:
 - ✓ an authenticated lease contract and ownership deed extract
 - ✓ an authenticated affidavit of the property owner to provide you with accommodation and ownership deed extract
 - ✓ confirmation from an accommodation facility (hotel, dormitory) on the provision of accommodation
6. **Document on financial coverage of your residence** in Slovakia in the amount of monthly life minimum for each month of your residence (not applicable in case of a Slovak Living Abroad and performing professional duties by civilian units of the armed forces), e.g. a bank account statement, confirmation from the employer on the agreed height of salary etc.

7. **Financial coverage of business activity (applicable only for temporary residence for the purpose of business)**, documented by a business bank account statement amounting to 20 times the monthly life minimum in case of a sole trader and amounting to 100 times the monthly life minimum in case of an executive of a commercial company,
8. **Administrative fee in the form of a fee stamp** (in the amount of EUR 33 to 232, depending on the purpose of residence).

The documents **must not be older than 90 days** at the time of submitting the application. All documents issued abroad must be officially **authenticated** (apostille or super-legalization) and **officially translated** to Slovak language.

The authorities will issue a **decision within 90 days** from the date of submitting your complete application (within 30 days in case of study, special activity, research and development and in some cases while working for a foreign investor). There is an administrative fee of EUR 4.50 for issuing the temporary residence document.

After being granted temporary residence, you must:

- ✓ **Enter the territory** of Slovakia within 180 days from its granting,
- ✓ **Report the beginning of your residence** at the Alien Police within 3 working days from your arrival to Slovakia,
- ✓ **Conclude a health insurance policy** within 3 working days from collecting the residence document,
- ✓ Within 30 days from collecting the residence document, submit at the Alien Police a **document on your health insurance** in Slovakia (not applicable in case of employment, study and performing professional duties by civilian units of the armed forces) and a **medical report** not older than 30 days, **confirming you do not suffer from a disease endangering public health** (not applicable in case of long-term residence and performing professional duties by civilian units of the armed forces),
- ✓ In case of temporary residence for the purpose of business, submit a **Commercial Register Extract** (if applicable) at the Alien Police, within 60 days from collecting the residence document.