

## IMPORTANT NOTICE

Failure to meet the mentioned obligations may result in **cancellation of your permanent residence** or in imposition of a **fine of up to EUR 165** or in certain cases, of up to **EUR 1,600**.

**You must avoid not having a valid permanent residence for even one day.**

If you are planning to apply for permanent residence in Slovakia, get married, work, do business, study or perform other activities, **verify what documents you need for that specific purpose before your arrival to Slovakia or well in advance.**

The Alien Police will **cancel your permanent residence** (applicable for permanent residence for five years and for permanent residence for an unlimited time period), if:

- ✓ you apply for benefits in material need during your residence in Slovakia,
- ✓ you do not lead a mutual family life with your spouse (if you obtained permanent residence based on marriage with a Slovak citizen).

The Alien Police will **cancel your long-term residence**, if:

- ✓ you stay **outside the territory of Slovakia for more than 6 years**,
- ✓ you stay **outside the territory of EU Member States for a period longer than 12 consecutive months** (if your long-term residence was granted based on your previous residence in Slovakia).



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](mailto:mic@iom.int) or by visiting the MIC website [www.mic.iom.sk](http://www.mic.iom.sk).

## Other important tips

- ✓ All official documents issued by foreign authorities and presented to Slovak authorities must be officially **authenticated** by means of apostille or superlegalization and must be **translated** to Slovak language by a certified translator.
- ✓ The data in your travel document must always **reflect reality**.
- ✓ The application for **permanent residence for five years** may be submitted in person at the Alien Police or at a diplomatic mission of the Slovak Republic abroad.
- ✓ The application for **permanent residence for an unlimited time period or long-term residence** must be submitted in person at the Alien Police in Slovakia.
- ✓ If you duly apply for permanent residence for an unlimited time period or long-term residence (i.e. no later than the last day of validity of your current residence), your residence is **considered legal until the decision on your application**.

**IOM Migration Information Centre of the International Organization for Migration (MIC)** provides third country nationals with **free of charge** counselling and information in 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
- ✓ **Email** [mic@iom.int](mailto:mic@iom.int)
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not to forget...

...when you have a permanent residence in Slovakia



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# WHAT ARE YOUR OBLIGATIONS IF YOU HAVE PERMANENT RESIDENCE?

There are 3 types of permanent residence:

- ✓ **Permanent residence for five years,**
- ✓ **Permanent residence for an unlimited time period,**
- ✓ **Long-term residence.**

Different conditions for granting apply to each type of permanent residence. Therefore there may be differences in obligations applicable to holders of individual types of permanent residence.

## BEFORE arrival in Slovakia

- ✓ **Enter the territory of Slovakia within 180 days** from granting of your permanent residence.

## AFTER arrival in Slovakia

- ✓ **Inform** the competent Alien Police Department about the **beginning of your residence within 3 working days** from your arrival to Slovakia.
- ✓ **Conclude health insurance policy within 3 working days** from collecting the residence document (applicable only for permanent residence for five years).
- ✓ **Within 30 days** from collecting the residence document, submit at the Alien Police a **medical report confirming you do not suffer from a disease endangering public health, not older than 30 days** (applicable only for permanent residence for five years).

## DURING your residence in Slovakia

- ✓ **Within 30 days** from submitting the application, submit at the Alien Police a **medical report confirming you do not suffer from a disease endangering public health, not older than 30 days** (applicable only for permanent residence for an unlimited time period applied for by a child under the age of 18).
- ✓ **Notify** the Alien Police **of all important changes within 5 working days** from the day the change has occurred. What is an important change?
  1. Change of the place of your permanent residence,
  2. Change in your name or surname (e.g. marriage, divorce),
  3. Change of your marital status (married, divorced, widower, widow),
  4. Change of your citizenship,
  5. Change of data in your travel document.
- ✓ **Notify** the Alien Police that you **will reside in a place not corresponding to your issued residence continuously for more than 30 days.**
- ✓ **Notify** the Alien Police in writing that you intend to **stay outside Slovakia continuously for a period longer than 180 days.**
- ✓ **Provide truthful and complete data** when communicating with the Alien Police and other authorities.
- ✓ **Inform** the Alien Police of the **change of your travel document.**
- ✓ **Apply** for issuance of a **new residence document**, if the contained data does not reflect reality, within 5 working days at the Alien Police.
- ✓ **Report any loss, theft or damage** to your travel document or residence document to the Alien Police within 5 working days from the day you learn thereof.
- ✓ If you want to apply for **permanent residence for an unlimited time period or long-term residence**, you must do so **no later than the last day** of validity of your current residence.

## Administrative fees

Administrative fees at the Alien Police are paid by means of fee stamps, which may be bought at a Post Office.

**Application for permanent residence:** EUR 165.50

**Residence document:** 4.50 EUR

In certain cases you may be exempt from paying the administrative fee.

- ✓ **Report termination of the purpose** for which your residence was granted at the Alien Police, within 3 working days.
- ✓ **Apply** for residence for a child (who is a foreigner) born in Slovakia or another EU Member State **within 90 days from the child's birth**, otherwise you must ensure his/her departure within this period.
- ✓ Upon request of a policeman, prove your **identity and the legitimacy of your residence** by submitting your travel document and residence document.
- ✓ During inspection of your residence, **prove financial coverage of your residence** in Slovakia in the amount of statutory life minimum for each month of your remaining residence, but for a maximum of 1 year ahead.
- ✓ **Leave the country no later than the last day of validity of your permitted residence**, if you have not applied for permanent residence for an unlimited time period or long-term residence or if you are not authorized to stay in Slovakia based on another reason.
- ✓ **Leave the country within 30 days from validity of the decision** (if you are not authorized to stay in Slovakia based on another reason), if the Alien Police:
  - ✓ rejected the application for permanent residence for an unlimited time period,
  - ✓ cancelled your permanent residence.