



Instructions on how to proceed after the preliminary approval has been granted (visa procedure)

After the preliminary visa approval has been granted, your Afghan family member must go to the German embassy in the neighboring country of the current place of residence or from Afghanistan to the designated neighboring country to the German embassy.

There he has to apply for the visa procedure. Any necessary documents have to be submitted as originals, such as the valid, unrecognized or invalid passport and other documents (e.g., identity card (e-Tazkira), proof of citizenship [Tazkira; single, certified or online Tazkira], birth certificate).

The preliminary approval will be sent to the responsible German embassy by the Regierungspräsidium Gießen and is available to them. The original preliminary approval will be sent to you again by mail.

Within the scope of the visa procedure, a check of your Afghan family member will be carried out by the security authorities and the existence of the further general requirements for the issuance of the title will be examined. The collection of personal and necessary biometric data, i.e. in particular fingerprints, required for the admission procedure as well as the security check will take place at the mission abroad. Successful completion of the security check is a mandatory prerequisite for admission.

Exceptions to the passport requirement under § 3 Abs. 2 AufenthG may be permitted if the passport presented by the person seeking entry is not recognized or is not valid, but the identity of the person seeking entry is proven by other documents (e.g. identity card (e-Tazkira), proof of nationality [Tazkira; single, certified or online Tazkira], birth certificate). If the person wishing to enter the country cannot present a passport, but can prove his or her identity in an other way (e.g. identity card [e-Tazkira], proof of citizenship [Tazkira; simple, certified or online Tazkira], birth certificate), a travel document for foreigners can be issued in accordance with the requirements of §§ 5 and 7 AufenthV.

The respective German embassy in the bordering country, where the visa application is filed, is responsible for this. You can find out any further requirements for the issuance of a visa from the responsible embassy.

The entry of your Afghan family members is self-determined after the visa has been issued.