

Amount of the Contribution and Purpose of stay

Some applicants don't pay the contribution as they are automatically exempted:

- The foreigner under the age of 18 years
- The family member of a citizen of the European Union who requests a family reunion (article 40bis or 47/1)
- Diplomatic or consular staff going on a posting to Belgium
- The Swiss citizen

For applicants aged 18 years and above:

- The amount of the fee depends on the purpose of the stay

Purpose of the stay	Article of the law of 15.12.1980 (to be mentioned in the notice of the bank transfer)	Amount of the contribution	Exceptions
Temporary residence permit for more than 3 months: - working permit B - professional card - person of independent/private means - humanitarian reasons - Student enrolled in a private educational institution	Article 9	215 €	(a)
Family reunion with a foreigner who stays for an unlimited period in Belgium (card B, C, D, F or F+)	Article 10	160 €	(a), (b), (c), (d), (e)

Family reunion with a foreigner who stays temporary in Belgium (card A or H)	Article 10bis	160 €	(a), (c), (d), (e)
Family reunion with a Belgian	Article 40ter	160 €	(d), (f)
Student enrolled in an educational institution recognized or subsidized by the Belgian government	Article 58	160 €	
Researcher with hosting agreement	Article 61/11	215 €	
Highly qualified worker - European blue card (card H)	Article 61/27	215 €	
Authorization to return to Belgium after an absence of + 1 year (RD 07.08.1995) or Re-acquisition of long-term resident status (AR 22.07. 2008)	Article 19, §2	215 €	(a), (g)

- (a) unless the applicant benefits of the agreement establishing an association between the European Economic Community and Turkey signed on 12.09.1963: free of charge
- (b) unless the foreigner to be joined in Belgium has refugee status: free of charge
- (c) unless the foreigner to be joined in Belgium benefits of subsidiary protection: free of charge
- (d) unless the applicant is a single disabled child older than 18 years who submits a certificate from a licensed physician by the post (embassy/consulate) mentioning that he is unable to support himself because of his disability: free of charge
- (e) unless the applicant is a family member of a foreigner to whom another member State had granted a long stay resident status, and was already member of the family living in that other member State: 60 €
- (f) unless the family member to be joined is a Belgian citizen who exercised his right to free movement (directive 2004/38/CE): free of charge.

A Belgian who has exercised his right of free movement is a Belgian who can prove that he has resided legally for more than 3 months in another state of the European Union (for instance a Belgian who submits a resident permit issued by another EU member) before returning to Belgium.

- (g) unless the applicant has refugee status, or is a family member of the foreigner who has refugee status: free of charge