



Visa for Reunion with a minor German child

This type of visa can be granted if you move to your minor, single child with German citizenship already residing in Germany or moving there together with you and you have custody for that child.

Please refer to our general information on long-term stays in Germany that complement this information.

An application for a family reunion visa can only be made if an appointment was booked in the correct appointment category. The booking can only be made through the [Embassy's website](#) in the category "National Visa (Long Term)" and then "National Visa - long term visa (duration of stay more than 90 days)".

The application takes place at the
Visa Section – German Embassy in Nairobi
113, Riverside Drive
P. O. Box 30180
00100 Nairobi
Mail: visainfo@nair.diplo.de

This and all other information leaflets of the Embassy are free of charge, as are all application forms.

All visa documentation has to be handed in as an **original with 2 copies**, unless stated otherwise, so that two complete, identical sets of application documents are handed in.
Please sort your documents in the order in which they appear on this information.

The Embassy reserves the right to request further documents if considered necessary.

Incomplete application forms and applications with incomplete documents cause delays in processing your application and can cause a rejection of your application.

A list of necessary documents for a complete application can be found on page 2.

For your application you require the following documents:

1. **Passport** and two copies of the data page. The passport has to be valid for at least three months more than the validity of the visa.
If you are a foreigner residing in Kenya, Burundi or Eritrea you have to show a valid residence permit for the country of residence.
2. 2 completed and duly signed **application forms**
A digital application form which can be completed online can be found at <https://videx-national.diplo.de>
3. 2 current, identical biometric **passport photos** with a white background
4. **Birth Certificate** of the child
5. **Proof of the German citizenship of the child:**
2 copies of the data page of the German passport of the child and
 - a) Marriage Certificate of the parents OR
 - b) Acknowledgement of paternity
6. **Proof of custody**
Generally, this would be done through the child's birth certificate. If the need arises, further documents will be requested.
7. current **Registration** ("Meldebescheinigung") of the child in Germany or of the other parent if they already reside in Germany (not older than 6 months at the time of application). If no one yet residing in Germany: Rental contract, proof of real estate property or similar with the future residential address
8. **Letter of consent** to the move by the parent already residing in Germany with no particular form. If the parents share custody and one parent continues to reside outside of Germany: Declaration of consent to the move of the child in the form of an Affidavit, signed in front of a Notary Public.