VISA FOR COHABITATION or MARRIAGE in BELGIUM

1/ Documents

You will find all information, including the overview of the documents to be submitted and the procedure to be followed to apply for visa for cohabitation or marriage in **Belgium** via the following link:

<u>Visa with the purpose of marriage or legal cohabitation in Belgium | IBZ (bosa.be)</u> (English) <u>https://5195.f2w.bosa.be/nl/themes/ressortissants-dun-pays-tiers/regroupement-familial/visum-met-het-oog-op-huwelijk</u> (Dutch)

https://5195.f2w.bosa.be/fr/themes/ressortissants-dun-pays-tiers/regroupement-familial/visa-envue-de-se-marier-ou-de-cohabiter (French)

Other than the documents requested via the above link, you also need to submit:

- Print of your online application form, filled out correctly and signed
- Recent passport picture
- Your passport. Please note we strongly advise to ensure your passport is still valid for at least 12 months at the time of your application, to avoid all problems.

Attention: In certain cases the **directive 2004/38** is applicable. This directive provides an exceptional policy concerning visa applications of family members of EU citizens (non-Belgians). They can obtain a visa C that will allow them to travel to Belgium and rejoin their EU family member (also for marriage or cohabitation), after which the residence can be applied for in Belgium. This visa C needs to be applied for in person at our embassy. When applying you need to communicate that you are applying under directive 2004/38.

If the person with whom you wish to marry/cohabit in Belgium does not have Belgian nationality but is a EU citizen, you need to apply for a visa C, with reference to directive 2004/38.

If the person with whom you wish to marry/cohabit in Belgium is a Belgian national or a non-EU citizen (eg Jamaican), you need to apply for a visa for cohabitation/marriage.

If you need further information please send us an email.

2/ Amount to be paid

There are normally two amounts to be paid:

1. The visa fee to be paid to our Embassy

You pay for a visa D. You will find the cost and the payment instructions, as well as the exemptions on our website https://jamaica.diplomatie.belgium.be/en/consular-services/consular-fees

2. The administrative fee to be paid to the Immigration Office (if you are over 18 years of age)

You will find the instructions via https://dofi.ibz.be/en/themes/faq/fee

Proof of these payments needs to be submitted with your visa application, at the time of your appointment.

Remarks:

Always submit a copy of every original document you submit, including your passport (picture page and each used page). We do not make copies, and original documents will only be returned if you provide a copy for us. The Embassy will analyze the submitted documents and has the right to request any additional documents at any point in time, when and where it is deemed necessary.