

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:

<https://5195.f2w.bosa.be/nl/themes/ressortissants-dun-pays-tiers/regroupement-familial/visum-met-het-oog-op-huwelijk> (Dutch)

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

Note the information is not (yet) available in English as the website is under construction. Please have your partner in Belgium help you, if you do not master the languages above.

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 the Embassy of the Netherlands in Paramaribo. 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, we cannot treat your application. You need to apply via the Embassy of the Netherlands.

If the person with whom you wish to marry/cohabit in Belgium is a Belgian national or a non-EU citizen (eg Suriname), we can treat your application.

2/ Amount to be paid

You need to pay for a visa C. You will find the cost and the payment instructions on our website, as well as the exemptions (<https://jamaica.diplomatie.belgium.be/en/consular-costs>).

Proof of the payment needs to be submitted with your visa application.

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.