

Required Documents for the Job Seeker Visa and a Red-White-Red Card

THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS HAVE TO BE SUBMITTED ALONG WITH THE APPLICATION FOR A JOB SEEKER VISA:

General documents

- Valid travel document (passport)
- Birth certificate or equivalent document
- Photograph (dimensions: 45x35mm) which is not older than six months
- Proof of accommodation at least for the time of arrival (e.g. tenancy agreement or proof of freehold property purchase)
- Proof of health insurance covering all risks (compulsory health insurance or equivalent insurance policy)
- Proof of adequate means of subsistence (payslips, pay certificates, employment contracts, insurance benefit certificates, evidence of retirement or other pension or insurance benefits, investment capital or sufficient own assets)

Points system

The following documents have to be submitted for examination of the individual criteria for a Job Seeker Visa under the points system:

1. Special Qualifications or Abilities

Graduation or higher academic qualification

- Certificate proving successful graduation from a tertiary educational institution in a course with a four-year minimum duration
- Confirmation of university status or status of other tertiary educational institution by the competent authority
- Document furnishing proof of successful completion of a programme in a MINT subject (= mathematics, informatics, natural sciences, technology)
- Document furnishing proof of habilitation

Gross annual salary in a senior management position

- Tax assessment notice or pay certificate
- Confirmation by the previous employer that the applicant worked in a senior management position
- Proof that the company is listed on the stock exchange or positive report from the competent Austrian foreign trade office about its activities or business segment

Research and innovation activities

- Proof of scientific publications, stating titles and sources
- Certificate issued by a university or research institution that the applicant worked in R&D or academic scientific teaching
- Proof of patent application(s) through extracts from national or regional patent registers

Recognised awards and prizes

- Document proving the conferral of the award or prize

2. Work experience

- Testimonials and work certificates

3. Language skills

- Language diploma or language course certificate at the A1 or A2 levels of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages:

German language diplomas and certificates may in particular be obtained from the following institutions: ÖSD, Goethe-Institut, Telc GmbH, Österreichischer Integrationsfonds.

The following diplomas and certificates in particular are recognised as evidence of proficiency in **English**: Cambridge Certificate, TELC, IELTS diploma, TOEIC diploma, TOEFL diploma.

4. Studies in Austria

- Course record book and related examination certificates
- Document reflecting the successful completion of a programme of studies in Austria

Originals and copies of the documents must be submitted. If the documents are not available in German or English, translations into German or English must be provided. For easier review, the authority may require certified versions of the documents.

THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS HAVE TO BE SUBMITTED ALONG WITH THE RED-WHITE-RED CARD APPLICATION:

General Documents

- Valid travel document (e.g. passport)
- Birth certificate or equivalent document
- Photograph (dimensions: 45x35mm) which is not older than six months
- Proof of locally customary accommodation (e.g. tenancy agreement or proof of freehold property purchase)
- Proof of health insurance covering all risks (compulsory health insurance or equivalent insurance policy)
- Proof of adequate means of subsistence (payslips, pay certificates, employment contracts, insurance benefit certificates, evidence of retirement or other pension or insurance benefits, investment capital or sufficient own assets)

Points system

The following documents have to be submitted for examination of the individual criteria for a Red-White-Red Card under the points system:

1. Qualification

Vocational training

- Certificate or diploma of completed vocational training

Special Knowledge or Abilities

- Testimonials, diplomas and work certificates

Proof of eligibility for admission to university (Matura, Abitur, matriculation certificate)

- Certificate furnishing proof of general eligibility for admission to university

2. Graduation

- Document furnishing proof of successful completion of a three-year programme at an institution of tertiary education
- Document issued by the competent authority in your country reflecting the status of the university or institution of tertiary education

3. Work experience according to your qualification

- Testimonials and work certificates

4. Language skills

- Language diploma or language course certificate at the A1 or A2 levels of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages for German or the B1 or B2 levels for English.

German language diplomas and certificates may in particular be obtained from the following institutions: ÖSD, Goethe-Institut, Telc GmbH, Österreichischer Integrationsfonds.

The following diplomas and certificates in particular are recognised as evidence of proficiency in **English**: Cambridge Certificate, TELC, IELTS diploma, TOEIC diploma, TOEFL diploma.

5. Professional athletes or professional sports coaches

- Testimonials or work certificates

Originals and copies of the above-mentioned documents must be submitted. For easier review, the authority may require the documents to be translated into German or English; possibly, certified versions of documents may be required.