Belgium - Checklist for Family Reunion with a Belgian Citizen (Art. 40TER)

Foreigners of third countries who want to reunite with a Belgian citizen

It is essential that your file contain the following:
*The original documents, plus two (2) photocopies of these documents. The originals will be returned to you.*

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| • Application form duly completed and signed.  
  - Irrespective of age, each individual requires a separate application form (hand written or typed and printed)  
  - The application form should be fully filled in, signed (two times) and dated by the applicant.  
  - The current UAE address, local contact number and email address should be provided. | | |
| • One recent passport size photograph  
  Three passport photos not older than 6 months with the required specifications | | |
| • Original passport with UAE residence permit  
  - All valid for at least three months longer than the intended stay or in the case of multiple journeys, the date on which you intend to leave the Schengen Zone for the last time.  
  - The passport must have been issued within the last 10 years, must be in a good shape and have at least 2 empty pages.  
  The applicant needs to provide a photocopy of the identity page of the passport, the UAE residence. | | |
| • Language Preference Form  
  - The applicant has the opportunity to choose one of the Belgian three national languages in which the application will be treated  
  - If you choose to complete the application in English, please choose “no preference” Language preference form | | |
| • Administrative fees  
  - The applicant has to provide the proof of payment of the administrative fees at the submission of his/her visa application. If this is not the case, the visa application is not admissible. | | |
| • Copy of ID Card of the person to be joined in Belgium | | |
| • Proof of relationship  
  Spouse:  
  - A legalized marriage certificate (2) + a legalized translation (2) thereof not | |
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2. The documents drawn up abroad in a language other than English, Dutch, French or German are to be translated in accordance with the original by a sworn translator. The translation must be legalized as a separate document in line with the procedure laid down in the country of origin, and then by the competent Belgian consulate or Embassy (1). [http://diplomatie.belgium.be/en/services/legalisation_of_documents](http://diplomatie.belgium.be/en/services/legalisation_of_documents)

Documents issued by local authorities of the UAE must be legalized by Ministry Foreign Affairs of the UAE and afterwards by the Belgian Consulate. Translations by our recognized translators can be legalized by the Belgian Consulate directly.

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