

Visa Application Checklist — Short Stay_ Visit_ Spouse of EU/EEA or Swiss citizen

Required Documents	Provided
1. Original Passport and Copy of the identity page - Valid for at least 3 months after the planned departure date from the Schengen area - Must be signed by the holder (Chinese applicants sign in Chinese characters) - Must have at least two complete blank visa pages - No damage	
2. One passport picture - In color, 35x45 mm white or light grey background, undamaged and of recent date (taken within 6 months).	
3. Original Visa application form - Fully completed online and all pages printed out - Signed by the applicant Application forms for minors should be signed by at least one parent. - Signature must match the passport signature	
4. Photocopies of: - Identity page and signature page of the passport - Copies of all former Schengen visas - Copies of Hukou all non-blank pages (for Chinese nationals only) - Copy of residence permit (for foreign applicants)	
5. Marriage Certificate German marriage certificate (Copy) <i>or</i> Chinese marriage certificate - Notary certificate legalized by the Chinese Ministry Of Foreign Affairs, with a German or English translation More information concerning the legalization of Chinese documents can be found on the homepage of the German missions in China <i>or</i> Foreign marriage certificate - With German or English translation - If not issued by an authority within the EU, with apostil or legalization notice (refer to document list apostil / legalization on the website of the German Embassy)	
6. Letter issued by the spouse (Original)* - Informal letter in German or English - Containing current address, contact details, planned locations of stay in German including address, period of visit and financing - Original signature - *The submission of the letter is voluntary. By submitting a detailed letter containing information about the living situation of the foreign spouse living in China, you can help to minimize enquiries and facilitate the visa application process.	
7. ID document of the spouse (Copy) - Copy of the passport's or ID's identity page - If applicable, copies of Chinese visa	
8. *Original letter of authorization for visa application/passport return. - Only applicable if your application is submitted by a representative.	
9. *Representative's ID Card or passport(Original + Copy) - Only applicable if your application is submitted by a representative.	
10. Additional documents applicants would like to provide	