

Checklist for a German national visa - Employment
(Blue Card - § 18 b II AufenthG)

Before filling out the application form and booking an appointment please prepare **two identical sets** of the following documentation for your visa and bring your original certificates as well as your original employment contract along. Please DO NOT staple any documents:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	2 COPIES OF EACH ITEM
<input type="checkbox"/>	Valid passport (issued within the last 10 years and valid for at least another year as of date of visa application; passports with observations regarding the front data page cannot be accepted) with at least two empty pages
<input type="checkbox"/>	Application form & declaration (in accordance with Section 54 of the Residence Act) duly signed
<input type="checkbox"/>	Declaration for Additional contact and legal representation information
<input type="checkbox"/>	3 passport pictures according to biometric specifications, not older than 6 months
<input type="checkbox"/>	Copy of your passport's data page (A4 size copy)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Annexure for employment visa (2 copies)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Employment contract with a company in Germany
<input type="checkbox"/>	CV and job description (one page only)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Proof of qualification and experience certificates for future employment in Germany
<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>“Declaration regarding a contract of employment” (Erklärung zum Beschäftigungsverhältnis); has to be filled and signed by the future employer. Original along with 2 copies need to be submitted.</p> <p>The minimum Annual Gross Salary to obtain a Blue Card for the year 2022 is as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 43.992 € for Natural Scientists, Mathematicians, Engineers, Doctors and IT professionals (also known as MINT professions) – 46.530 € for applicants over 45 years of age 56.400 € for all other professions
<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>Proof of recognition of your academic qualification in Germany: (For more detailed info, please check www.anerkennung-in-deutschland.de)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2 copies from the Anabin website of the recognition of the academic degree as well as the University (University mentioned as “H+”, Degree mentioned as “entspricht” or “gleichwertig”) <p align="center">OR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Original and 2 copies of the recognition (“Zeugnisbewertung”) of the non-german degree by the Central Office for Foreign Education, ZAB (Zentralstelle für ausländisches Bildungswesen). <p align="center">AND IF APPLICABLE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Professional practice license (Berufsausübungserlaubnis) issued by the relevant recognition body in Original and 2 copies (For example, for medical professionals, decision of the licensing authority in the federal territory (Zusicherung der Berufsausübungserlaubnis, Approbation) i.e. granting of medical license by the medical council is required) <i>(For certain Regulated professions, a professional practice license is required like for medical doctors, Engineers, teacher etc. A complete list of such professions can be found with the German Labour Office (Bundesaagentur für Arbeit) or with the EU Commission)</i>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>Pre-approval by the Federal Employment Agency NOT APLICABLE if your salary is above 56.400 € annually (!) You are not required to hand in any letter from the Federal Employment Agency in this case. Your visa does not need to be approved by this agency. (in any other case – i.e. MINT- professions with an annual salary above 43.992 € - pre-approval by the Federal Employment Agency is also not mandatory. It can however shorten the time to process your application significantly)</p>

<input type="checkbox"/>	For applicants who are 45 years old or more and whose yearly salary is below 46530,-- €: document of proof of adequate contribution to a German Pension fund / pension insurance.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Demand Draft
<input type="checkbox"/>	Certificate about compulsory health insurance (Gesetzliche oder private Krankenversicherung) from German employer valid from date of employment. Please note: If not already included in the compulsory health insurance a separate travel health insurance has to be presented for the time frame from arrival in Germany until beginning of employment (see below).

Please note that the German Missions reserve the right to ask for additional documents or the verification of certificates, for which additional fees would be charged.

In case of visa approval, you will be requested to present a **travel health insurance** (Kindly refer to www.india.diplo.de/visa to find out about the travel health insurances accepted).

Submission of the above-mentioned documents does not guarantee that a visa is granted.

Submission of incomplete documentation or refusal to appear for a visa interview may result in the rejection of your application.

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