

The sponsor in Slovenia

1 GATHERING EVIDENCE

Which documents do you need:

- proof of the existence of family links with the people you are joining (e.g. birth certificates, marriage certificates, family books, baptismal certificates, etc.)
- proof of identity of family members (e.g. official identity documents containing a picture – passport or identity card)
- **special conditions in the case of extended family members**
- you must prove that you have a duty under the law of your country of origin to take care of your family members

2 COMPLETING THE APPLICATION

You must complete the application for each family member separately



refugee status



subsidiary protection

Please attach to your application:

- certified copies* or originals of proof of family ties (e.g. birth certificate, marriage certificate)
- certified copies* or original photographic identification of the family member, with whom you wish to be reunited
- a photograph of the family member (4.5x3.5 cm)
- written consent to send information on family members to international organizations

PIC⁴ – Legal Center for the Protection of Human Rights and the Environment can help with your submission

→ **SIGN THE APPLICATION AND SEND IT TO MNZ¹**

3 SUBMISSION OF THE APPLICATION

Submit:

- original documents or
 - certified copies of the documents*
- Send them back to your family members as soon as possible after the procedure has been completed, as they will need them for identification at the Slovenian diplomatic mission or consulate and for travel.

THE DOCUMENTS MUST BE TRANSLATED INTO SLOVENE

PREPARING FOR THE ARRIVAL OF YOUR FAMILY

- inform the UOIM⁶ Integration Adviser,
- suitable accommodation for the family,
- integration of the family into society and integration activities,
- information on their rights and obligations.

Arrival support is provided by the UOIM⁶ Integration Adviser and NGOs.

Family living abroad

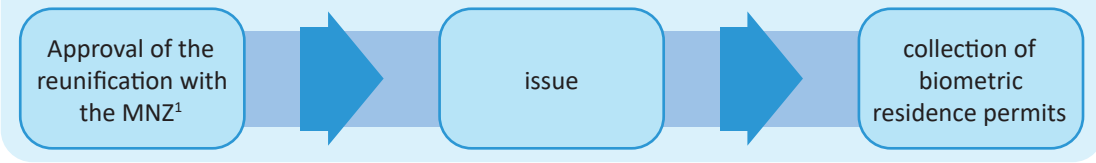
The family collects and sends:

- original documents or
- a certified copy of the documents



- Submit fingerprints to:
- the diplomatic mission of Slovenia or
 - consulate of Slovenia, or
 - upon arrival in Slovenia

IOM³, UNHCR⁵ ali ICRC/CICR² can help with serving documents abroad



THE ROAD TO SLOVENIA:

- The IOM³ can provide potential assistance in:
- organizing travel and purchasing air tickets,
 - an assessment of the family's potential needs,
 - information,
 - exit visa,
 - medical care in case of problems,
 - escort on the way and assistance at the airport.

If a family member is unable to obtain a passport from the country of origin, temporary passports can be obtained from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs¹ in Slovenia.

passport



biometric residence permit

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4 ISSUING A RESIDENCE PERMIT

5 ARRIVAL IN SLOVENIA

NOTE: ¹MNZ – Ministry of the Interior of the Republic of Slovenia, ²ICRC – International Committee of the Red Cross and Red Crescent, ³IOM – International Organisation for Migration, ⁴PIC – Legal Center for the Protection of Human Rights and the Environment, ⁵UNHCR – United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, ⁶UOIM – Office of the Government of the Republic of Slovenia for the Care and Integration of Migrants.

WHO CAN HELP ME WITH THE FAMILY REUNIFICATION PROCESS?

PIC – LEGAL CENTER FOR THE PROTECTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND THE ENVIRONMENT

PIC can help persons under international protection to complete and submit their application, and also provide free legal advice and representation during the procedure.
Contact: pic@pic.si or telephone: +386 51 681 181.

UNITED NATIONS HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR REFUGEES (UNHCR)

Assistance in obtaining the necessary evidence from the country of origin and in serving documents.
Contact: hunbu@unhcr.org

INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR MIGRATION (IOM)

Assistance in serving documents, organizing and managing the travel of family members from their country of origin to the RS.
Contact: iomljubljana@iom.int or telephone: +386 1 434 73 51

RED CROSS OF SLOVENIA

Assistance in obtaining the necessary documents from the country of origin and in serving the documents, in organizing and managing the journey of family members from the country of origin and integration in the RS.
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