

## Visa C - for MARRIAGE in Belgium with BELGIAN or NON-EU citizen

### **Required documents:**

1. National passport into which a visa can be affixed and which is valid for more than 12 months
2. Completed and signed national Belgian visa application form with 1 recent color photograph (5x3cm) with white background glued on the application form <http://www.vfsglobal.com/Belgium/India/>
3. Copy of the identity page of your passport

### **A) From the partner to be joined in Belgium**

4. Declaration of marriage, delivered by the city hall in Belgium, within 6 months prior to the visa application + 1 copy
5. Original of guarantee letter “3bis” issued by the city hall in Belgium with its annexes + 1copy (unless applicant provides personal financial means)  
[https://dofi.ibz.be/sites/dvzoe/FR/Documents/Annexe\\_03\\_02.pdf](https://dofi.ibz.be/sites/dvzoe/FR/Documents/Annexe_03_02.pdf)
6. Copy of the residence permit (front + back) or Belgian ID card
7. Proof that the person being joined has sufficient accommodation: Copy of proof of ownership of a house/apartment or a copy of the rental contract.
8. Proof that the person being joined has stable, regular and sufficient means of subsistence to meet his own needs and those of the members of his family and avoid them becoming a burden on the public authorities. Please find more information on this subject via the following link:  
[https://dofi.ibz.be/sites/dvzoe/FR/Guidedesprocedures/Pages/Regroupement\\_familial/Les%20moyens%20de%20subsistance%20stables%2c%20r%C3%A9guliers%20et%20suffisants.aspx](https://dofi.ibz.be/sites/dvzoe/FR/Guidedesprocedures/Pages/Regroupement_familial/Les%20moyens%20de%20subsistance%20stables%2c%20r%C3%A9guliers%20et%20suffisants.aspx)
9. Proof that the person being joined holds health insurance covering the risks in Belgium for himself or herself (mutualiteit/mutualité)

OR

Copy of private travel insurance of the visa applicant valid in Belgium and covering a minimum of 30.000€ medical costs for a minimum period of 3 months. Please refer to the list of recognized local insurance companies via following link: <https://www.vfsglobal.com/Belgium/India/pdf/approved-list-of-insurance-companies.pdf>

## **B) From the visa applicant**

10. The documents indicating that you have sufficient personal means of subsistence : copy of updated bank statement/pass book or proof of your profession and copy of recent pay slips etc. (unless a guarantee letter “3bis” is provided)

11. Medical certificate (+ 1 copy) attesting that the applicant is not carrying any of the diseases which might endanger public health. <http://india.diplomatie.belgium.be/en/travel-to-belgium/visa/india#5>

12. Certificate attesting to the lack of any convictions for crimes or offences under common law (+ 1 copy).

## **C) From both partners**

13. Proof of chronicle history of your relationship (photographs, letters, mails, telephone bills, money transfers, copies of previous visas and immigration stamps, signed declarations of friends and relatives, proof of holidays together, etc.)

14. Proof that both partners are > 18 years old

## **Remarks:**

1. The applicant has to submit his/her application by him/herself. . **(All the documents issued by a government authority should be submitted in original)**

2. Please make another set of copies (legible) of all documents mentioned above (front and back). Documents have to be arranged in the above order and submitted into 2 separated files.

3. If joining Belgian, minimum age of both partners must be > 18 years old. If joining a non-EU citizen, minimum age of both partners must be 21 years old.

4. Additional documents, even if not featured in the list above, may be required by the Embassy.

5. The visa fee is non-refundable if the visa is denied.

6. You can submit your application at the earliest three months before your planned visit.

7. The type of visa is a C-type visa (short stay). Once the marriage is registered in Belgium the applicant will receive a Belgian residence card with which he/she can stay in Belgium;

8. The type of visa that we issue for marriage is a type C/Schengen visa. In general, for type C/Schengen visa, a return flight ticket is required. However, as an exception, for marriage in Belgium, a one-way flight ticket is sufficient for the Belgian authorities. As all airlines staff members are not always aware of

this exception, if you have bought/want to buy a one-way flight ticket, we advise you to take contact with the airline before departure and check if they will let you board the aircraft.

9. The non EU-citizen has to prove that he/she is officially living in Belgium since more than 1 year.

10. Please note that the city hall in Belgium might require your original legalized birth certificate ) upon your registration in Belgium.

11. A later change to the purpose of the visit is not admissible. A prolongation of the visa is not possible. In both cases, a new application has to be entered.

12. More information about scheduling an appointment can be obtained from website of <http://www.vfsglobal.com/Belgium/India/>

13. For more detailed information on supporting documents, processing times, tracking the progress of your visa application, legal background and other immigration related topics, please refer to the website of the Immigration Office of Belgium:

[https://dofi.ibz.be/sites/dvzoe/FR/Guidedesprocedures/Pages/Regroupement\\_familial/Venir\\_se\\_marier\\_en\\_Belgique.aspx](https://dofi.ibz.be/sites/dvzoe/FR/Guidedesprocedures/Pages/Regroupement_familial/Venir_se_marier_en_Belgique.aspx)