

Toleration and employment

As a rule, holders of tolerated status are only permitted to work with the approval of the Migration Office and after an examination by the Federal Employment Agency. Therefore, the employment permit must usually be applied for by the toleration holder for a specific job. Training and studies are generally permitted.

However, employment and education are excluded by law if the tolerated person:

- has come to Germany exclusively to receive benefits under the Asylum Seekers Benefits Act,
- he/she is a national of a so-called "safe country of origin" according to Section 29 of the Asylum Act (Member States of the European Union, Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Ghana, Kosovo Macedonia, Montenegro Senegal and Serbia) and his/her application for asylum filed after August 31, 2015 has been rejected or
- if he/she causes the obstacle to deportation by his/her own deception regarding his/her identity or nationality or by his/her own false statements

Competent Department

- [Migrationsamt](#)
- [Aufenthalt](#)

Basic information

In the toleration already granted, there is the indication:

- whether the employment is not permitted, so that no employment relationship may be established by the tolerated person,
- whether employment is permitted with the approval of the Migration Office, in which case a written application must be submitted to the Migration Office before employment is taken up, that a specific employment relationship may be established (please refer to "Procedure")
- whether employment is generally permitted, then the tolerated person can enter into an employment relationship without applying to the Migration Office.

The implementation of an internship, training or studies is allowed during the time of the toleration, unless they had to be prohibited due to existing reasons for exclusion (see above); then this is noted on the toleration as a condition.

Procedure

To have employment approved, you need a concrete job offer from an employer who wants to employ you. The employer must completely fill out the job offer form, which you can download here (see under Forms). Only if the job offer is completely filled out and signed by the employer, the employment can be allowed.

Please email us the completed scanned job offer to <mailto:ref30@migrationsamt.bremen.de>.

or send it to us by mail to:

Migration Office, Department 3, Stresemannstr. 48, 28207 Bremen, Germany.

The Migration Office sends the job offer to the Federal Employment Agency, which checks the job offer. This procedure usually takes 21 days.

Only if the Federal Employment Agency agrees, the Migration Office may grant permission for employment.

When the Federal Employment Agency has made its decision, we will inform you of the result in writing.

Legal bases

- [Beschäftigungsverordnung](#)
- [Aufenthaltsgesetz \(AufenthG\)](#)

How long does it take to process

4 weeks after receipt of the application by the Migration Office

What are the costs?

There are no costs for the approval of the employment