

An application for a Certificate of marital status to get married in Denmark

If you want to make an easy apply we suggest to use our digital self service. You only need a cell phone number to log in. All information and documents will be sent directly to Agency of Family Law and you can pay with a credit card.

Guidance regarding applying for marriage in Denmark

We recommend to have read the guidance on our homepage www.familieretshuset.dk before you start and we suggest to visit the homepage during the submission if you need assistance. Further we recommend that unnecessary sites are closed down on the computer.

Filling out the application

If you and your partner want to get married in Denmark you must apply for a Certificate of marital status. You need to fill out this application and send in the required documents.

Applicants (Part 1 and Part 2) as well as a third party must register with their own e-mail address and telephone number in the application. We use your email address as a system ID in our system. An e-mail address is a unique ID and can thus only be used by one person. The first time an email is registered in our system, the contact information entered will be saved with it. We also use your phone numbers to give you access to information we send to you. Please be aware of the correct phone number and use this every time you have access to the information we send to you. For example, 3rd party cannot specify their own e-mail address for part 1 or part 2. The system will only recognize one e-mail address related to one part. If you need to use another phone number or a new phone number you need to contact us in order to have the current number changed.

Further pls. note that the Certificate of marital status is valid for 4 months which means that you need to get married within this period. Should you wish to change the place where you want to get married after having submitted the application - just let us know.

If you meet the conditions we will send a Certificate of marital status directly to you.

Marriage outside Denmark

If you need a Certificate of marital license in order to getting married outside Denmark you need to meet the conditions in the Danish Marital Act before we can issue the Certificate of marital license.

We can, however, disregard the requirement that you must be able to enter and reside legally in Denmark.

If you meet the conditions we will send the Certificate directly to you.

It is possible to give a power of attorney to a third party, i.e. someone who represents you, and whom is applying for a Certificate of marital status on behalf of you.

Please note, that the power of attorney does not authorize the third party to sign the declaration of truth on your behalf. You must always sign the Declaration of truth yourself. Please make sure to attach a scanned copy of the signed declaration when you submit your application.

The Declaration of truth is the signature page of the application.

An 11B statement on knowledge of the Danish Aliens Act's requirements for family reunification can be found in Appendix 2.

In the appendixes you will find information on who is required to fill them out.

During the application process you will be asked a number of questions. We only ask questions that are relevant and necessary for the expedition of your application.

Your and your partner's answers will determine which questions you'll be asked next and what documentation you are required to attach when submitting your application.

Questions that are marked with a "*" are mandatory and must be answered.

Please note, that we cannot start processing your application before we have received the administration fee.

The administration fee is currently: 1.900 DKK.

You can pay the administration fee by bank transfer. It may take up to three business days before the payment is registered in our system.

Processing of personal data

Agency of Family Law handles and processes personal data electronically. The General Data Protection Regulation is therefore in effect in regards to all processing of any kind in Agency of Family Law. If you would like further information, you can visit the following page

www.familieretshuset.dk/persondata

Before applying

Please make sure to have the following information / documents ready:

- Full name, mobile number and e-mail address for all parts (1, 2 and part 3). The e-mail addresses must not be identical
- Your passport – you must attach colour photos or copies of all pages in your passport including all blank pages, front and backside or
- Your EU/EEA ID card – colour photos or copy of both sides of your ID-card
- Documentation for legal entry and residence in Denmark, for example a visa, EU registration certificate or residence card.
- Certificate of marital status if you have not previously been married. The document must be attached in both the original language and translated into either English or German.
- Certificate of Residence or other documentation as proof if you live together outside of Denmark. The document must be attached in both the original language and translated into either English or German. The document must not be more than 4 months old.
- If you have one or more common children, you must attach copies of their birth certificate(s). The document(s) must be attached in both the original language and translated into either, English or German.

If you have previously been married you must attach proof that the marriage has ended by divorce, death or annulment:

- Photo or copy of divorce agreement
- or
- Photo or copy of death certificate or
 - Photo or copy of annulment.

The documents must be attached in both the original language and translated into either English or German. There may be a requirement that the documents are legalized or Apostille-signed. Please visit Agency of Family Law homepage for further information.

How to avoid a long expedition time

You can avoid a long expedition time by following these steps:

- By filling in the application form correctly and attaching all the required documents in a good quality (i.e. a high resolution). Photos are preferred. Visit our homepage for more information.

Which documents are required?

The documents that you may be required to send to us are mentioned above. Depending on your stated answers in the application form, the documentation you are required to send to us may vary.

Which additional appendixes do I/we have to fill out?

Each appendix has information on whom is required to fill it out.

Transmission of information

Agency of Family Law may, under certain conditions transmit information, i.e. either according to law or when there has been given a consent.

Agency of Family Law can by law transmit information to the following authorities: The Danish Immigration Service, the Danish Agency for International Recruitment and Integration (SIRI) and the Danish police. For example in a situation where Agency of Family Law has processed an application for a Certificate of marital status but where the couple did not meet the required conditions in the Marriage Act section 8a or section 11a.

At any time, the transmission to the above mentioned authorities only happens in situations where Agency of Family Law concludes that the transmission is necessary with reference to the Danish Immigration Act or the Criminal Code.

When you sign the application form, you also consent to your information being passed on to your partner.

Where would you like to get married

Please indicate in which municipality, parish or religious community you would like to get married.

For further information please see appendix 1, section 1.

If you meet all the requirements for a Certificate of marital status, we will send it to the municipality, the parish church or the religious community, that you have indicated in the application form.

If you need a Certificate of marital license in order to get married outside Denmark you also need to meet the conditions in the Danish Marital Act before we can issue the Certificate of marital license.

If you meet the conditions we will send the Certificate directly to you.

1. Marriage

How would you like to get married? *

- A civil marriage in a town hall
- A church wedding
- A wedding in a religious community
- Abroad (outside Denmark)

Which municipality would you like to get married in?

Which parish would you like to get married in?

Which religious community would you like to get married in?

2. Application

Application method? *

- I am filling out on behalf of the applicants. I have attached a power of attorney.

3. Administration fee

- I would like to pay the administration fee via a bank transfer instead of paying the fee with my credit card.

Danske Bank: 0216 - 4069217060
BIC/SWIFT: DABADKKK
IBAN: DK9102164069217060

Please, remember to attach a receipt of the bank transfer, when sending the application form.

4. Information on the first applicant

First name, middle name and surname *

Danish CPR number, if applicable

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Birthday, if applicable

Danish immigration ID number, if applicable

You have a Danish immigration number if you have an EU-registration document or a residence permit

Email

Telephonenumber

Information on the applicants citizenship *

A country within the EU or Switzerland

Other country

Which citizenship do you have? *

Do you have a second nationality?

Yes

A country within the EU or Switzerland

Other country

Which citizenship do you have? *

No

Are you exempted from the visa requirement?

Yes

No

When sending the application, please remember to attach the necessary documents regarding your legal residency in Denmark.

State reason for missing info/documentation

Have you previously had another citizenship

Yes

No

Which nationality?

4.2 Information about the place of birth - first applicant

In which country were you born? *

In which city were you born? *

5. Addresses and contact information - first applicant

Do you live in Denmark?

Yes

No

Address *

Post number *

Town*

Country

Are you currently staying in Denmark?

Yes

No

When was your latest stay in Denmark?

From which country have you entered Denmark?

Please only answer the question if you are currently staying in Denmark.

6. Information on the applicants travel documents - first applicant

Do you have a passport or an EU/EEA ID card? *

Passport

EU/EEA ID card

Please state your passport or EU/EEA ID number *

Please state the date when your passport/EU/EEA ID card was issued? *

Please state the date when your passport/EU/EEA ID card expires? *

In which country was your passport/EU/EEA ID card issued?

Please attach a copy of your passport/EU/EEA ID card in colour with ALL pages, including blanks and the front- and back page. All edges must be visible.

7. Personal information about you - first applicant

Former marriage (s) /civil partnership (s)

In Denmark, it is a condition that a previous marriage / civil partnership has officially ended before you are getting married again. A marriage can end with a divorce, the death of the former spouse or via an annulment.

Have you had any former marriages / civil partnerships? *

Yes

No

If you have not been married before, please attach a civil certificate or a similar document stating that you are not married. The document must be issued by an entitled authority in the country that you are currently living in.

State reason for missing info/documentation

7.2 Information about previous marriages / civil partnerships. - first applicant

(You are only required to fill in the information if you have previously been married.)

Former marriage / civil partnership

Full name of your latest spouse / civil partner

Please state the birthday of your latest spouse / civil partner

Please state the nationality of your latest spouse / civil partner

When did you marry? Please state the date

When did the marriage end? Please state the date

How was the latest marriage /
civil partnership dissolved?

Divorce

Death

(If the marriage has ended at death in Denmark, see Appendix 1, section 3)

Annulment

Please attach documentation for respectively the divorce, the death of the former spouse or the annulment of the marriage.

State reason for missing info/documentation

8. Other personal info - first applicant

Under section 3 of the Danish Act on the Formation and Dissolution of Marriage, a person who is under guardianship under section 5 of the Danish Act on Guardianship or under guardianship combined with deprivation of a person's legal capacity, cf. section 6 of The Danish Act on Guardianship cannot marry without the consent of the guardian. The consent can be given on a special form, please see appendix 3.

Are you under guardianship? *

Yes

No

Under section 6 of the Danish Act on the Formation and Dissolution of Marriage, two relatives in the direct line of ascent or descent (e.g. parents and children) or siblings cannot marry.

Are you as closely related to the person whom you are to marry as mentioned above? *

Yes

No

Under section 7 of The Danish Act on The formation and Dissolution of Marriage, two people are not allowed to marry if one of them has been married to the other ones relative in the direct line of ascent or descent (e.g. parents – in-law and children) without the permission of the Agency of Family Law.

Are you as closely related to the person whom you are to marry as mentioned above? *

Yes

No

Under section 8 of the Danish Act on the Formation and Dissolution of Marriage, an adoptive parent and his/her adopted child cannot marry as long as the adoptive relationship exists.

Is there an adoptive relationship between you and the person whom you are to marry as mentioned above? *

Yes

No

9. Information concerning the second party - first applicant

Do you and your partner have children together? Yes

No

*Information about your joint children * (only if you have answered yes to the above questions)*

Child 1

Full name of the child *

The nationality of your child *

The birthday of your child *

Child 2

Full name of the child *

The nationality of your child *

The birthday of your child *

Child 3

Full name of the child *

The nationality of your child *

The birthday of your child *

Child 4

Full name of the child *

The nationality of your child *

The birthday of your child *

Please attach the birth certificate/certificates of your child / your children. Please note, that there might be specific requirements for the documents, for example a certification or a legalization.

10. Information about the cohabitation with your partner - first applicant

Do you live together / have you been living together?

Yes

Kindly attach certificate of residence or other documentation for joint residence

No

If you have lived together.

When and where did you live together?
(not including holidays and visits)

11. Information on how you met your partner - first applicant

When did you meet your partner for the first time?

How did you meet your partner? *

Did you meet your partner online? *

Yes

No

Have you met each other personally? *

Yes

No

How often are you in contact with each other? *

In which language do you speak with each other? *

Kindly attach documentation for your relationship to your application. Fx photos, correspondance or other relevant documentation.

12. Information on the second applicant

First name, middle name and surname *		<input type="text"/>
Danish CPR number, if applicable <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	Danish immigration ID number, if applicable <input type="text"/>	<i>You have a Danish immigration number if you have an EU-registration document or a residence permit</i>
Birthday, if applicable <input type="text"/>		
Email	<input type="text"/>	
Telephonenumber	<input type="text"/>	
Information on the applicants citizenship *	<input type="checkbox"/> A country within the EU or Switzerland <input type="checkbox"/> Other country	
	Which citizenship do you have? *	<input type="text"/>
Do you have a second nationality?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> A country within the EU or Switzerland <input type="checkbox"/> Other country	
	Which citizenship do you have? *	<input type="text"/>
	<input type="checkbox"/> No	
Are you exempted from the visa requirement?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
<i>When sending the application, please remember to attach the necessary documents regarding your legal residency in Denmark.</i>		
State reason for missing info/documentation	<input type="text"/>	
Have you previously had another citizenship	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
	Which nationality?	<input type="text"/>

12.2 Information about the place of birth - second applicant

In which country were you born? *	<input type="text"/>
In which city were you born? *	<input type="text"/>

13. Addresses and contact information - second applicant

Do you live in Denmark?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Address *	<input type="text"/>
	<input type="text"/>
Post number *	<input type="text"/>
Town*	<input type="text"/>
Country	<input type="text"/>
Are you currently staying in Denmark?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
	<input type="checkbox"/> No
When was your latest stay in Denmark?	<input type="text"/>
From which country have you entered Denmark?	<input type="text"/>
<i>Please only answer the question if you are currently staying in Denmark.</i>	

14. Information on the applicants travel documents - second applicant

Do you have a passport or an EU/EEA ID card? *	<input type="checkbox"/> Passport
	<input type="checkbox"/> EU/EEA ID card
Please state your passport or EU/EEA ID number *	<input type="text"/>
Please state the date when your passport/EU/EEA ID card was issued? *	<input type="text"/>
Please state the date when your passport/EU/EEA ID card expires? *	<input type="text"/>
In which country was your passport/EU/EEA ID card issued?	<input type="text"/>
<i>Please attach a copy of your passport/EU/EEA ID card in colour with ALL pages, including blanks and the front- and back page. All edges must be visible.</i>	

15. Personal information about you - second applicant

Former marriage (s) /civil partnership (s)

In Denmark, it is a condition that a previous marriage / civil partnership has officially ended before you are getting married again. A marriage can end with a divorce, the death of the former spouse or via an annulment.

Have you had any former marriages / civil partnerships? *

Yes

No

If you have not been married before, please attach a civil certificate or a similar document stating that you are not married. The document must be issued by an entitled authority in the country that you are currently living in.

State reason for missing info/documentation

15.2 Information about previous marriages / civil partnerships. - second applicant

(You are only required to fill in the information if you have previously been married.)

Former marriage / civil partnership

Full name of your latest spouse / civil partner

Please state the birthday of your latest spouse / civil partner

Please state the nationality of your latest spouse / civil partner

When did you marry? Please state the date

When did the marriage end? Please state the date

How was the latest marriage /
civil partnership dissolved?

Divorce

Death

(If the marriage has ended at death in Denmark, see Appendix 1, section 3)

Annulment

Please attach documentation for respectively the divorce, the death of the former spouse or the annulment of the marriage.

State reason for missing info/documentation

16. Other personal info - second applicant

Under section 3 of the Danish Act on the Formation and Dissolution of Marriage, a person who is under guardianship under section 5 of the Danish Act on Guardianship or under guardianship combined with deprivation of a person's legal capacity, cf. section 6 of The Danish Act on Guardianship cannot marry without the consent of the guardian. The consent can be given on a special form, please see appendix 3.

Are you under guardianship? *

Yes

No

Under section 6 of the Danish Act on the Formation and Dissolution of Marriage, two relatives in the direct line of ascent or descent (e.g. parents and children) or siblings cannot marry.

Are you as closely related to the person whom you are to marry as mentioned above? *

Yes

No

Under section 7 of The Danish Act on The formation and Dissolution of Marriage, two people are not allowed to marry if one of them has been married to the other ones relative in the direct line of ascent or descent (e.g. parents – in-law and children) without the permission of the Agency of Family Law.

Are you as closely related to the person whom you are to marry as mentioned above? *

Yes

No

Under section 8 of the Danish Act on the Formation and Dissolution of Marriage, an adoptive parent and his/her adopted child cannot marry as long as the adoptive relationship exists.

Is there an adoptive relationship between you and the person whom you are to marry as mentioned above? *

Yes

No

18. Information concerning the first party - second applicant

Do you and your partner have children together?

Yes

No

*Information about your joint children * (only if you have answered yes to the above questions)*

Child 1

Full name of the child *

The nationality of your child *

The birthday of your child *

Child 2

Full name of the child *

The nationality of your child *

The birthday of your child *

Child 3

Full name of the child *

The nationality of your child *

The birthday of your child *

Child 4

Full name of the child *

The nationality of your child *

The birthday of your child *

Please attach the birth certificate/certificates of your child / your children. Please note, that there might be specific requirements for the documents, for example a certification or a legalization.

19. Information about the cohabitation with your partner - second applicant

Do you live together / have you been living together?

Yes Kindly attach certificate of residence or other documentation for joint residence.

No

If you have lived together.

When and where did you live together? *(not including holidays and visits)*

20. Information on how you met your partner - second applicant

When did you meet your partner for the first time?

How did you meet your partner? *

Did you meet your partner online? *

Yes

No

Have you met each other personally? *

Yes

No

How often are you in contact with each other? *

In which language do you speak with each other? *

Kindly attach documentation for your relationship to your application. Fx photos, correspondance or other relevant documentation.

Signatures

I declare that the information I have given is true and that I understand that giving false information is a punishable offence, cf. section 163 of the Danish Criminal Code.

First applicant signature:	Date:
Second applicant signature:	Date:

About section 163 of the Criminal Code

Pursuant to section 163 of the Criminal Code, a person who gives a false written statement for use in legal matters that concern the authorities is punishable by a fine or imprisonment of up to 4 months.

Appendix 1

1. A church wedding or a wedding in a religious community?

If you want to get married in an established church, at least one of you has to be a member of the national church in Denmark. The same applies if you want to get married in a religious community: At least one you have to be a member of the religious community.

2: Legal entry and stay in Denmark / If you are subject to immigration control

According to the Danish Marriage Act we can only issue a Certificate of marital status for you if you meet the conditions for staying legally in Denmark.

Different rules are applicable, depending on your citizenship.

You are staying legally in Denmark if you:

- Have the Danish citizenship
- You have a citizenship from a Nordic country (i.e. Sweden, Norway, Finland or Iceland)
- You have a citizenship from a EU member state or Switzerland
- You have a citizenship from a non-visa country (Please see the list on non-visa countries at our homepage)
- You have a residence permit or a tourist visa issued in Denmark or in a Schengen country

You can attach the following documentation :

- Your passport / ID card
- Visa, including a tourist visa
- A residence permit or an EU registration certificate from Denmark
- A residence permit from another Schengen country
- Other documentation on a Nordic citizenship or a citizenship in a EU member state
- Documentation for the time of entry to Denmark, for example a passport stamp

3. Requirements on the administration of a joint property with reference to a previous marriage where the former spouse has died:

If the marriage has ended because the former spouse has died and the estate of the deceased person is being processed, the one who has lived longest may not marry before the joint property is under a (public) administration of an estate.

The former does not apply in the following situations:

- If there was not a community of property in the former marriage, as a result all property of the previous marriage is considered entirely as separate estate (please attach the registered prenuptial agreement from the land registry for documentation).
- You were separated from your former spouse when he/she died. Please attach a separation order or a notice from the Danish CPR registry.
- All heirs give their consent that the longest living may marry a new partner. The former is not possible if you're retaining in an undivided possession of the estate. If this is the case, the administration of the deceased spouse's estate must be completed before you can get married again.

4. Documentation on a divorce, the death of your former partner or an annulment

If you have been married or in a civil partnership or your previous partner has died, please attach:

- A scanned copy of the divorce decree (you don't need to send the decree if you have been divorced in Denmark).
- The annulment of your previous marriage.
- A scanned copy of the death certificate (you don't need to send a copy of the death certificate if your former partner lived in Denmark).

When sending your application, you must attach a copy of the original divorce decree, the death certificate or the annulment. Furthermore the documents must be translated either into English or German.

5. Birth certificate of your child / birth certificates of your children – only applicable, if you have children with your partner

You must attach the birth certificate / the birth certificates of your children. The names of the parents (i.e. mother and father) must be stated in the document. Please note, that there might be other specific requirements for the birth certificate, inter alia an apostille endorsement or a certification.

For further information please see Agency of Family Law homepage: www.familieretshuset.dk

6. Documentation on the cohabitation with your partner

You can attach the following documents:

- A residence certificate
- A renting contract, please note that the renting contract must state the name of your partner and your name
- Invoices that have been sent to your address, please note that the invoices must have been sent to your partner and you
- Other documentation proving that you are living together

The abovementioned examples are not exhaustive.



Declaration under section 11b of the Danish Marriage Act on awareness of the rules on spousal reunification set out in the Danish Aliens Act

Under section 9(1)(1)(a) – (e) of the Aliens Act, it is possible to grant a residence permit based on an application for an alien over the age of 24 who cohabits in a shared residence, either in marriage or in cohabitation of long duration, with a person permanently resident in Denmark over the age of 24 who

- a) is a Danish national;
- b) is a national of one of the other Nordic countries;
- c) holds a residence permit under section 7(1) or (2) or section 8;
- d) has held a residence permit under section 7(3) longer than the past three years; or
- e) has held a permanent residence permit in Denmark longer than the past three years.

Spousal reunification is always conditional upon the following requirements being fulfilled:

- The marriage must qualify for recognition under Danish law.
- There must not be certain reasons to assume that the decisive objective of the contraction of the marriage is to obtain a residence permit.¹
- Both spouses must sign a declaration stating that, to the best of their ability, they will commit actively to Danish language education and integration into Danish society for the applicant and any accompanying foreign children.²

Moreover, spousal reunification is generally conditional upon the following requirements being fulfilled:

- The spouse living in Denmark must provide financial security of DKK 100,000 through a period of ten years to cover any future public expenses for assistance granted to the applicant under the Act on Active Social Policy or the Integration Act.³ (DKK 104,040 at 2020 level as the amount is rate-adjusted once annually.)

- The spouse living in Denmark must not have received any assistance under the Act on Active Social Policy or the Integration Act for three years before the decision on the residence permit. Moreover, the applicant and the spouse living in Denmark must not receive any assistance under the Act on Active Social Policy or the Integration Act during the period until the applicant is granted a permanent residence permit. Assistance in the form of small amounts of isolated benefits not directly related to maintenance, or benefits that are comparable with wages or salaries or pension payments or replace such income do not preclude spousal reunification.⁴
- The spouse living in Denmark must prove that they have the disposal of a separate dwelling of a reasonable size. The dwelling must not be located in a housing compound that at the time of application is subject to the current Executive Order on the list of housing requirements for spousal reunification. In the course of the time until the applicant is granted a permanent residence permit, the applicant and the spouse living in Denmark must not move to a dwelling located in a housing compound subject to the current Executive Order on the list of housing requirements for spousal reunification.⁵
- The spouse living in Denmark must have passed the Danish 3 Test, see section 9(1) of the Act on Danish Language Education for Adult Aliens and Others or a Danish language test at a similar or higher level.⁶
- The applicant must have had at least one lawful stay in Denmark under sections 1 – 4b or section 5(2) in accordance with the EU rules, see section 6, or in accordance with a residence permit under sections 7 – 9f, 9i – 9n, 9p or 9q.⁷
- It must not be considered doubtful whether the marriage was contracted according to the wishes of both parties. Where the marriage has been contracted between persons who are closely related or otherwise quite closely related it is generally considered doubtful that the marriage was contracted according to the wishes of both parties.⁸
- Within a period of ten years prior to the date of the decision on spousal reunification, the spouse living in Denmark must not have been sentenced by a final judgment to a suspended or unsuspended custodial sentence or other criminal sanction involving or allowing

deprivation of liberty for one or more offences committed against a spouse or cohabitant.⁹

- An application for family reunification for the applicant's accompanying child must not have been rejected because the spouse living in Denmark has been sentenced by a final judgment to a suspended or unsuspended custodial sentence or other criminal sanction involving or allowing deprivation of liberty for one or more offences committed against minors.¹⁰

Spousal reunification is generally also conditional upon the spouses fulfilling at least three of the following five requirements:¹¹

- The spouse living in Denmark has been in regular full-time employment or carried out activity as a self-employed trader in this country for at least five years prior to the application for a residence permit.¹²
- The spouse living in Denmark has been taking education in this country for at least six years, including at least one year of continuous full-time education beyond basic schooling and the 10th school year prior to the application for a residence permit.¹³
- The applicant has passed the Danish 1 Test, see section 9(1) of the Act on Danish Language Education for Adult Aliens and Others or another Danish language test at a similar or higher level or an English test at B1 level or at a similar or higher level.¹⁴
- The applicant has been in regular full-time employment or carried out activity as a self-employed trader for at least three years out of the past five years prior to the application for a residence permit.¹⁵ Where the applicant has reached retirement age in their country of origin, the years of retirement must be reckoned as years of work in the calculation.¹⁶
- The applicant has passed education recognised by public authorities of at least one year's duration on a programme at the level of at least one year of a further education programme in this county or equated with a Danish programme of vocational training prior to the application for a residence permit.¹⁷

If the spouse living in Denmark *is not* a Danish national, a national of one of the other Nordic countries or *does not* hold a residence permit under sec-

tion 7 or 8, spousal reunification is generally also conditional upon the following requirements being fulfilled:¹⁸

- The spouse living in Denmark must not have been sentenced to an unsuspended penalty of at least six months of imprisonment or another criminal sanction involving or allowing deprivation of liberty for an offence that would have resulted in a penalty of this duration.¹⁹
- The spouse living in Denmark must not have been sentenced to an unsuspended sentence of at least 60 days of imprisonment for violation of Part 12 (treason and other offences against state interests and security), Part 13 (offences against the Constitution and the supreme authorities of the State, terrorism, etc.) or a number of criminal-code provisions on certain offences in family relationships, sexual offences and violent offences.²⁰
- The spouse living in Denmark must have no overdue debt to any public authorities unless the deadline for paying the debt has been extended and the debt does not exceed DKK 100,000 (DKK 118,566.38 at 2020 level as the amount is rate-adjusted once annually.)²¹
- The spouse living in Denmark must not have received any public assistance under the Act on Active Social Policy or the Integration Act for the last four years prior to the date of the application for a residence permit. Assistance in the form of small amounts of isolated benefits not directly related to maintenance, or benefits that are comparable with wages or salaries or pension payments or replace such income do not prevent spousal reunification.²²
- The spouse living in Denmark must have signed a residence and self-support declaration, see section 19(1), the third sentence, of the Integration Act, or in other ways indicated acceptance of the contents above.²³
- The spouse living in Denmark must have passed the Danish 1 Test, see section 9(1) of the Act on Danish Language Education for Adult Aliens and Others or a Danish language test at a similar or higher level.²⁴

- The spouse living in Denmark must have been in ordinary full-time employment or carried on activity as a self-employed trader for at least three years and six months within the past four years prior to the application for a residence permit.²⁵
- The spouse living in Denmark must be assumed to continue to be a part of the labour market on the date when a residence permit may be granted.²⁶
- The spouse living in Denmark must fulfil at least one of the following requirements:²⁷
 - The spouse living in Denmark has passed a civic qualification test as referred to in section 41b of the Integration Act or displayed active community commitment in this country through at least one year's participation on committees, in organisations, etc.²⁸
 - The spouse living in Denmark has been in ordinary full-time employment or carried on activity as a self-employed trader for at least four years within the past four years and six months prior to the granting of a residence permit.²⁹
 - The spouse living in Denmark has had a yearly average taxable income of DKK 280,908.00 the past two years prior to the date when it will be possible to grant a residence permit (DKK 292,256.68 at 2020 level as the amount is rate-adjusted once annually.)³⁰

After spousal reunification has been granted, the spouse coming to Denmark for spousal reunification must generally pass a Danish test at A1 level or another Danish test at a similar or higher level to be able to keep the residence permit.³¹ The test must have been passed no later than six months from the date the person concerned applied for registration in the National Register or, where the person concerned had a residence permit in this country already before the spousal reunification, after the date of the granting of the residence permit as a spouse coming to Denmark for spousal reunification. If the person concerned has taken, but not passed, the test within six months, the test may be re-taken up to three months after expiry of the six-month time limit. In case of lawful excuse, the time limits mentioned may, upon application, be suspended by a period corresponding to the duration of the lawful excuse.

Moreover, the spouse coming to Denmark for spousal reunification must generally pass a Danish test at A2 level or another Danish test at a similar or higher level to be able to keep the residence permit. The test must have been passed no later than nine months from the date of the person concerned's application for registration in the National Register or, where the person concerned had a residence permit in this country already before the spousal reunification, after the date of the granting of the residence permit as a spouse coming to Denmark for spousal reunification. If the person concerned has taken, but not passed, the test within nine months, the test may be re-taken up to three months after expiry of the nine-month time limit. In case of lawful excuse, the time limits mentioned may, upon application, be suspended by a period corresponding to the duration of the lawful excuse.³²

We, the undersigned, hereby declare that we are both aware of the above-mentioned provisions governing spousal reunification under section 9 of the Danish Aliens Act, see section 11b of the Danish Formation and Dissolution of Marriage Act.

Date	Date
Signature	Signature

This declaration has been drawn up by the Ministry of Immigration and Integration and is applicable from August 1st 2020.

¹ Section 9(12) of the Aliens Act.
² Section 9(2) of the Aliens Act.
³ Section 9(4) of the Aliens Act.
⁴ Section 9(5) of the Aliens Act.
⁵ Section 9(6) of the Aliens Act.
⁶ Section 9(8) of the Aliens Act.
⁷ Section 9(10) of the Aliens Act.
⁸ Section 9(11) of the Aliens Act.
⁹ Section 9(13) of the Aliens Act.
¹⁰ Section 9(14) of the Aliens Act.
¹¹ Section 9(8) of the Aliens Act.
¹² Section 9(8)(1) of the Aliens Act.

¹³ Section 9(8)(2) of the Aliens Act.

¹⁴ Section 9(8)(3) of the Aliens Act.

¹⁵ Section 9(8)(4) of the Aliens Act.

¹⁶ Section 9(9) of the Aliens Act.

¹⁷ Section 9(8)(5) of the Aliens Act.

¹⁸ Section 9(15)(1)– (8) of the Aliens Act. The requirements are deemed to be fulfilled if the spouse living in Denmark has been granted a permanent residence permit under section 11(3) and (4) or under section 11(12) and (13) or (17), see section 9(17). If the spouse living in Denmark has reached the age of old-age pension or been granted an anticipatory pension, the requirements set out in subsection (15), paras. (7) and (8), and subsection (16), paras. (2) and (3), are deemed to be fulfilled, see section 9(18), first sentence. If the spouse living in Denmark has been granted a permanent residence permit on the basis of strong ties with Denmark, the requirements set out in subsection (15), paras. (7) and (8) and subsection (16), paras. (2) and (3), are considered to be fulfilled on terms corresponding to those on which the spouse living in Denmark could obtain a permanent residence permit under section 11(13), see section 9(18), second sentence.

¹⁹ Section 9(15)(1) of the Aliens Act.

²⁰ Section 9(15)(2) of the Aliens Act.

²¹ Section 9(15)(3) of the Aliens Act.

²² Section 9(15)(4) of the Aliens Act.

²³ Section 9(15)(5) of the Aliens Act.

²⁴ Section 9(15)(6) of the Aliens Act.

²⁵ Section 9(15)(7) of the Aliens Act.

²⁶ Section 9(15)(8) of the Aliens Act.

²⁷ Section 9(16) of the Aliens Act.

²⁸ Section 9(16)(1) of the Aliens Act.

²⁹ Section 9(16)(2) of the Aliens Act.

³⁰ Section 9(16)(3) of the Aliens Act.

³¹ Section 9(34) of the Aliens Act.

³² Section 9(35) of the Aliens Act.