

Petition to reinstate a lapsed residence permit

Uses

Use this form if you would like to petition for your residence permit to **remain valid**, even though you:

- have not lived in Greenland for an extended period of time
- no longer maintain an address in Greenland *or*
- are otherwise not included in the Greenlandic National Register of Persons (Folkeregisteret)

Residence in Denmark or the Faroe Islands is considered residence outside Greenland.

This form can be used by both adults and children.

What happens if my residence permit lapses?

If your residence permit lapses, you lose your right to reside in Greenland and you may be denied re-entry if you have been out of Greenland for an extended period of time.

If your residence permit lapses you will need to apply for a new residence permit. Your new application will be processed according to current regulations.

How can my residence permit lapse?

Your residence permit lapses automatically if you no longer have an address in Greenland and you leave the country without any intention to return. This applies even if you have permanent residence.

If you maintain an address in Greenland, the period of time you may remain outside the country before your residence permit lapses depends on how long you have lived in Greenland. If you have been a legal resident for less than two years, you may remain outside Greenland for up to six months. If you have been a legal resident for more than two years and are eligible for permanent residence, you may remain outside Greenland for up to 12 months. If you fail to return within the time limit, your permit will automatically lapse.

How do I petition to have my residence permit reinstated?

Under certain conditions, the Danish Immigration Service can reinstate your residence permit. In such cases, you must prove that:

- you intended to return to Greenland within the time limit (six or twelve months)
- you were prevented from returning to Greenland due to unforeseen circumstances beyond your control, such as: illness, detainment, war, natural disasters or problems leaving the country in which you were staying

It is important that you apply as soon as possible, ie. as soon as you are able to return to Greenland.

Instructions

1. Fill out and sign Section 5 of this form (follow the instructions)
2. Attach the required documentation (see below)
3. Send the application to the Danish Immigration Service or submit the form at a Greenlandic police station. If you are outside Greenland, you can submit the form at the Danish embassy or consulate in the country in which you are staying.

If you are in Denmark, the form can be submitted at the Danish Immigration Service's Citizen Service. You must book an appointment before you show up at the Citizen Service. Read more about where the Immigration Service's Citizen Service has branch offices and how to book an appointment at www.newtodenmark.dk/visitus.

What documents should I include with my application?

- A copy of your passport (all pages including blank pages and cover)
- Documentation of the unforeseen circumstance. Acceptable documentation includes doctors' statements.

For more information

More information about the rules for travelling outside Greenland is available at newtodenmark.dk, where you can also find information about processing times. If you have questions when filling out the forms, you can also contact the Danish Immigration Service. See contact information at www.newtodenmark.dk/contact-us.

For a faster reply

Your application will be processed faster if you complete the form correctly and include all necessary documentation.



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Date received	Received by (name)	Authority (stamp)	Alien identification number (Udl. nr.) / personal ID
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1. Applicant

PLEASE COMPLETE IN CAPITAL LETTERS

Surname	Alien identification number (udl.nr.)
Given name(s)	
Nationality	Date of birth
Are any of your accompanying family members (spouse/partner or children under 18) who are not Danish citizens living outside Greenland with you? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
If yes, please list the names and dates of birth for each family member:	
Name	Date of birth

2. Information about your travels to and from Greenland

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Note: Section 2 should only be completed if you **have departed** from Greenland. If you have not departed from Greenland but are applying for dispensation because you are no longer included in the National Register of Persons (Folkeregisteret), skip this section and continue with Section 3.

Last address in Greenland (street and number/b. number/ PO box)	Postal code and city/town
When did you depart Greenland?	
How long have you been outside Greenland?	
Did you intend to return to the Greenland before your residence permit lapsed? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
If yes: What prevented you from returning in time?	



Please include proof of your delay. Acceptable documentation includes doctors' statements.

What countries did you visit?

Where did you live while abroad? Include any C/O addresses and relationship if the individual you stayed with is a member of your family.

What was the purpose of your travel?

Was it your own decision to leave Greenland? Yes No

If no: Whose decision was it? (State individual's name and relationship to you.)

Were you travelling alone? Yes No

If no: Who were you travelling with? (State names of any travelling companions and relationship to you.)

Did you maintain an address in Greenland while you were abroad? Please explain:

What did you do with your possessions (furniture, etc.) when you left Greenland?

If you are currently in Greenland: When did you return?

Include documentation in the form of an airplane ticket or the like.

Are you still included in the National Register of Persons (Folkeregisteret)? Yes No

If no: Did you personally request to be taken off? Yes No

If no: Who did?

Why?

What is your current address?
(Include any C/O address, telephone number and e-mail address where you can be reached.)

3. Your addresses in Greenland

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Note: Section 3 is to be completed only if you have not departed Greenland and are seeking dispensation because you are no longer included in the National Register of Persons (Folkeregisteret).

Where did you live during the period in question?

Include documentation.

If you took short trips outside Greenland, please state when and the reason for your visit.

Who did you live with during the period in question? Please include name, address, telephone number and relationship to you.

Include documentation.

Were you employed during the period in question? Yes No

If yes: please include documentation.

Did you personally request to be taken off the National Register of Persons (Folkeregisteret)? Yes No

If no: Who did?

Why?

Were you in contact with public officials during the period in question? Yes No

If yes: Include documentation.

What is your current address? (Include any C/O address, telephone number and e-mail address where you can be reached.)

What was your previous address?

4. Comments

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Is there any other information you believe should be taken into consideration when evaluating your request?

Please remember to include any documentation that can substantiate your claims.

5. Declarations

A. Sworn declaration of correctness

I solemnly swear that the information in this application is correct and complete in accordance with Section 161 of the Danish Criminal Code, cf. Section 40 of Ordinance No 150 of 23 February 2001 (Application of the Aliens Act in Greenland).

If the information is later found to be false or incomplete, I am subject to the following penalties:

- fine or imprisonment for up to two years
- I can be required to repay the expenses incurred by the Danish state as a consequence of the false information
- my residence permit can be revoked in accordance with Section 19 of Ordinance No 150 of 23 February 2001

B. Declaration of consent – release of information required for processing my application

I consent to allowing the Danish immigration authorities obtain and release information about my private affairs if it is necessary in order to process this application, cf. Public Administration Act Sections 28 and 29, cf. Ordinance No 1188 of 27 December 1994 (Application of the Public Administration Act in Greenland). The information can be gathered from or released to other Danish and foreign public authorities, including the police.

Such information includes:

- previous criminal proceedings against me

- information about my family
- verification that the documents submitted with my application are genuine

I also consent to giving authorities contacted by the Danish Immigration Service while processing my application permission to gather information about my private affairs in order to respond to the enquiry.

C. Notification that information can be released to Danish intelligence agencies and prosecuting authorities

The information and documentation you submit with your application can, in certain cases and based on an individual review, be released to Danish intelligence agencies and the public prosecuting authority, cf. Public Administration Act, Section 28, Paragraph 2 (4), cf. Ordinance No 1188 of 27 December 1994.

The prosecuting authority will use the information to evaluate whether there are grounds for prosecuting you for crimes committed in Denmark/Greenland or abroad.

D. Notification that some information will be released to Greenlandic authorities

Danish immigration authorities are permitted to release certain information to the Self-Rule authorities or to Greenlandic Police, cf. Public Administration Act, Section 28, Paragraph 3, cf. Ordinance No 1188 of 27 December 1994.

Such information includes:

- the grounds for issuing you a residence permit
- any waivers granted

The police will be informed if:

- your residence permit is revoked or not extended
- your residence permit is found to have expired *or*
- your residence permit is made permanent

E. Notification that Danish authorities will register information about you and your personal affairs

The information you submit when applying for a residence permit will be entered in the Danish Immigration Service's registers. The same holds true for information submitted when applying to extend your residence permit in Greenlandic.

The information in the Danish Immigration Service's registers will be used to answer questions about your residence in Greenland. The police will have access to the information contained in the register for record keeping and verification purposes. The Ministry of Immigration and Integration will be permitted to access the Danish Immigration Service's registers in the event of a complaint.

Other authorities or organisations will receive information about you from the Danish Immigration Service's registers if the information is necessary to answer questions about your residence in Greenland.

You are obliged to provide the information necessary for deciding whether you are eligible for a residence permit in Greenland, cf. Section 40 of Ordinance No 150 of 23 February 2001. You are entitled to right of access to the information about you in the Danish Immigration Service's registers, cf. Danish law No 294 of 8 June 1978 (Public Registers). Enquiries about accessing information contained in the register can be addressed to:

The Danish Immigration Service
Farimagvej 51A
4700 Næstved
Denmark

F. Verification of the information you submit

The Danish Immigration Service may seek to verify the accuracy of the information included in your application. This may happen while your application is being reviewed or after you have received your residence permit.

Verification may involve contacting other authorities.

Should authorities seek to verify your information, you may be asked to provide supplementary information.

6. Signature (applicant)

By signing below, I confirm that I have read, understood and accepted the terms laid out in Section 5.

Date and place

Signature



Checklist

The Danish Immigration Service can process your request faster if all forms are filled out correctly and include the required documentation.

Before submitting your application we suggest that you use the checklist below to make sure you have filled out the form correctly and included the necessary documents.

Before submitting your application, please make sure you have included the following:

- A copy of your passport (all pages including blank pages and cover)
- Documentation of the unforeseen event that prevented you from returning to Greenland, such as a doctor's statement (if necessary) (please refer to Section 2)
- Documentation of your return to Greenland, such as an airplane ticket (if necessary) (please refer to Section 2)
- Documentation that you were attending school or working (if applicable)
- Documentation of your whereabouts (if you were not included in the National Register of Persons)

Please also make sure that you have:

- answered all relevant questions *and*
- signed and dated the application