SerbiaGate

Temporary residence in Serbia through your own company

The most common route for founders, freelancers and remote workers: your own Serbian company, employment in it, and the single permit for residence and work. A permit can be issued for up to 3 years.

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Before you arrive

- [ ] **Check how long you may stay without a visa**
  Most passports: 90 days in any 180. Russian passport: 30 days per visit. Count your days at serbiagate.com/serbia-stay-calculator/
- [ ] **Visa D, if your passport needs a visa**
  Apply at the Serbian embassy in your country. Usually 30 to 45 days.
- [ ] **Your Serbian company is registered**
  About 5 working days by power of attorney.

Documents for the application

- [ ] **Valid passport**
- [ ] **Proof of the basis for residence**
  Your company documents and your employment contract with the company.
- [ ] **Proof of accommodation in Serbia**
  A rental contract or the owner's consent.
- [ ] **Proof of sufficient means**
- [ ] **Health insurance**
- [ ] **Photos and receipts for the administrative fees**

After you arrive

- [ ] **Register your address within 24 hours (the white card)**
  A hotel does it for you. In a rented flat it is the landlord's job, so remind them.
- [ ] **Submit the application**
  Usually decided in 30 to 45 days. The police decide.
- [ ] **Get your residence card**
  Then resident banking, and later a tax residency certificate if you need one.

Good to know

- Family members can apply through family reunification.
- Permanent residence can be requested after 3 years of continuous temporary residence.
- If you work for a foreign employer, ask them first: residence through your own company means you work for that company.

Costs to plan

Our fees: temporary residence €850, Visa D €550 if needed. State fees and translations come on top.

Questions about your case?

Write to our lawyer. The first consultation in writing is free, and we usually reply the same business day, Monday to Friday.

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General information, not legal advice. The exact list depends on your citizenship, the bank and the authority. We send you a list for your case after the first consultation.