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Permanent resident card of an alien in France

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i Coronavirus / Covid-19: extension of validity of residence permits

As a result of the Covid-19 pandemic, the validity period of residence documents that expired between 16 March and 15 June 2020 has been extended by **6 months**.. This measure concerns:

- Long-stay visas
- All residence permits (except special permits issued to foreign diplomatic and consular personnel)
- Provisional residence permits
- Receipts of applications for residence permits

This extension is automatic. It also extends social rights and the right to work.

If you have a resident card or a *long-term resident - EU* 10 years old, you can apply for a renewal or apply for a *permanent resident*.. This card gives you the right to an unconditional and permanent stay in France (except for threats to public order). It is issued under certain conditions.

You have a resident card

What is it about?

Map of *permanent resident* may be issued for the renewal of a 10-year resident card. It allows you to stay in France and allows you to work.

If you have a card *long-term resident - EU*, you can request the same card for renewal.

If you have a resident card, you can apply for a *long-term resident - EU* for renewal.

Who is involved?

You are covered by the permanent resident card if you hold a maturing resident card.

This card is always available if you:

- have held 2 consecutive resident cards,
- or over 60 years of age.



Please note : if you are an algerian, you are not concerned by this permanent card, but by [residence certificate](https://www.service-public.fr/particuliers/vosdroits/F2257?lang=en) (<https://www.service-public.fr/particuliers/vosdroits/F2257?lang=en>).

Card request

You must submit your application to the prefecture (or sub-prefecture) within 2 months before your card expires.

Before submitting your application, consult the website of your prefecture to find out about the conditions of renewal application: place of deposit, appointment, mailing of the file, etc.

For organizational reasons, some prefectures offer to make an appointment online 4 to 5 months before the expiry of the title.

If you file your application after the deadline, except in cases of force majeure or presentation of a valid visa, you will have to pay, in addition to the cost of the card, a visa fee to regularize €180..

General case

Who shall I contact

Specify your city or postcode The choice of a municipality in the suggestion list will automatically trigger an update of the content

- [Prefecture](http://www.interieur.gouv.fr/Le-ministere/Prefectures)  (<http://www.interieur.gouv.fr/Le-ministere/Prefectures>)
- [Sub-prefecture](http://www.interieur.gouv.fr/Le-ministere/Prefectures)  (<http://www.interieur.gouv.fr/Le-ministere/Prefectures>)

▲ Warning : some sub-prefectures cannot do the paperwork. Find out more on the website of your prefecture.

In Paris

Who shall I contact

- [Prefecture de Police de Paris - Residence permit service](https://www.prefecturedepolice.interieur.gouv.fr/Demarches/Particulier/Ressortissants-etranagers/Ressortissants-etranagers/Titres-de-sejour-Nous-contacter) 
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Parts to supply

- Information about your marital status, and if necessary, about your spouse's and children's status
- Proof of domicile
- Your expired resident card
- 1 [identity photos](https://www.service-public.fr/particuliers/vosdroits/F10619?lang=en) (<https://www.service-public.fr/particuliers/vosdroits/F10619?lang=en>)
- Certificate of honor concerning the continuity of your stay in France (unless waived by the administration)
- If you have never signed a Republican integration contract: statement on honor regarding respect for the principles of the French Republic + [proof of sufficient knowledge of the french language](https://www.service-public.fr/particuliers/vosdroits/F34501?lang=en) (<https://www.service-public.fr/particuliers/vosdroits/F34501?lang=en>)
- Declaration of non-polygamy if you are married and a national of a state that allows it

If your file is complete, you receive a [receipt](https://www.service-public.fr/particuliers/vosdroits/F15763?lang=en) (<https://www.service-public.fr/particuliers/vosdroits/F15763?lang=en>) waiting for the prefecture to respond.

Refusal to issue card

Issuing the card

Répondez aux questions successives et les réponses s'afficheront automatiquement

Your request is accepted

If your application is accepted, you are summoned to the prefecture for the issue of the title.

Your request is denied

If the prefect has notified you of the refusal

The prefect's decision is yours notified by reasoned letter (explicit decision). Such refusal shall be accompanied, unless otherwise provided, by [obligation to leave French territory \(OQTF\)](https://www.service-public.fr/particuliers/vosdroits/F18362?lang=en) (<https://www.service-public.fr/particuliers/vosdroits/F18362?lang=en>) fixing the country to which you will be returned.

You can form a [appeal to the administrative tribunal](https://www.service-public.fr/particuliers/vosdroits/F2478?lang=en) (<https://www.service-public.fr/particuliers/vosdroits/F2478?lang=en>) (within 48 hours, 15 days or 30 days depending on the type of OQTF).

No reply from the prefect on your request

If the prefecture has not replied to the expiry of the validity of the receipt, it is an implicit refusal.

You can train within 2 months:

- [administrative appeal](https://www.service-public.fr/particuliers/vosdroits/F2474?lang=en) (<https://www.service-public.fr/particuliers/vosdroits/F2474?lang=en>) (*ex gratia* before the prefect and/or *hierarchical remedy* before the Minister of the Interior),
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Card Delivery

The card is given to you by the prefecture or sub-prefecture of your home (depending on the place where your application is filed).

Cost

The issuance of the permanent resident card is subject to a fee.

You must pay €225 (tax €200 + stamp duty of €25) by tax stamps (<https://www.service-public.fr/particuliers/vosdroits/F33071?lang=en>).

FYI : if you have a resident card because you hold (or are entitled to) an industrial accident or occupational disease pension, you must pay €75 (tax €50 + stamp duty of €25) by tax stamps.

Proof of payment is required:

- at the time of filing the application, or
- when the card is delivered.

Check with your prefecture.

Duration

The validity period of the permanent resident card is 10 years. It shall be renewed without conditions.

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You have a long-term resident card - EU

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Who is involved?

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This card is always available if you:

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Statute and miscellaneous references

- Code on the entry and residence of aliens and the right to asylum: Article L314-14 [↗](https://www.legifrance.gouv.fr/affichCode.do?idSectionTA=LEGISCTA000006180204&cidTexte=LEGITEXT000006070158) (<https://www.legifrance.gouv.fr/affichCode.do?idSectionTA=LEGISCTA000006180204&cidTexte=LEGITEXT000006070158>)
Permanent Resident Card
- Circular of 25 June 2013 on the conditions for the renewal of residence permits (PDF - 175.8 KB) [↗](http://www.immigration.interieur.gouv.fr/content/download/41559/320316/file/Circulaire-INTV1316280C.pdf) (<http://www.immigration.interieur.gouv.fr/content/download/41559/320316/file/Circulaire-INTV1316280C.pdf>)