

10. Exemptions from the payment of the State fee are applied:

- 10.1.in accordance with international agreements binding on the Republic of Latvia;
- 10.2.in the interests of State prestige. A decision regarding the exemption from the payment of the State fee is taken by the Head of the Office of Citizenship and Migration Affairs, Chief of the State Border Guard, Director of Consular Department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs or the officials authorised by them;
- 10.3.for an application for a visa with a notation “Diplomatic Visa” or “Service Visa”;
- 10.4.for an application for a visa it is related to reasons of a humanitarian nature;
- 10.5.to the citizen of the European Union (also the Republic of Latvia), European Economic Area and Switzerland excepting the cases mentioned in Paragraphs 3., 4, Subparagraph 5.8 and in Paragraphs 6 and 7 of these Regulations. A Latvian citizen is exempt from the payment of the State fee for the approval of an invitation for his/her family members;
- 10.6.to the family member of the European Union (also the Republic of Latvia), European Economic Area and Switzerland citizen, who accompanies the mentioned citizen or moves together with him/her to the Republic of Latvia from another Member State of the European Union, European Economic Area or Switzerland for the examination of the necessary documents for an application for a visa, residence permit or for a residence permit registration, as well as for a renewal of a residence permit, if the travel document is changed;
- 10.7.to a repatriate who was not a Latvian citizen at the moment of the submission of documents if he or she had departed from the Republic of Latvia by 4 May 1990, or was born abroad, or had departed from the Republic of Latvia after 4 May 1990 and at the moment of the emigration was under age, as well as to members of his or her family if they enter the Republic of Latvia according to the procedures specified in the Repatriation Law, – for the examination of documents necessary for an application for a visa, a permanent residence permit or a residence permit registration and for a renewal of a residence permit if the travel document is changed;
- 10.8.to a child up to 16 years of age – in cases mentioned in Paragraph 2, Subparagraphs 5.4.1., 5.7. and 8.1;
- 10.9.to foreigners residing permanently in Valga who travel with an alien’s passport of Estonia and are members of the family of Latvian non-citizens residing permanently in Valga – in cases mentioned in Subparagraphs 5.1.1., 5.4.1., 5.7., Paragraph 6 and Subparagraph 8.1 of these Regulations;

- 10.10. to a Latvian or a Liiv, or a person at least one of whose parents is a Latvian citizen, as well as his/her spouse and his/her minor children – for the examination of documents for an application for a visa;
- 10.11. to a foreigner who has acquired refugee status or alternative status in the Republic of Latvia or who is a child up to 16 years of age of a foreigner who has acquired alternative status in the Republic of Latvia, – for the examination of documents necessary for an application for a residence permit or its registration and for a renewal of a residence permit, if the travel document is changed;
- 10.12. to a person who has been recognized as a human trafficking victim - for the examination of documents necessary for an application for a temporary residence permit or its registration and for a renewal of a residence permit, if the travel document is changed;
- 10.13. for the approval of an invitation issued by State institutions of the Republic of Latvia, local government city or county councils (parish councils) or court;
- 10.14. to a person who render the assistance for the state or municipal institutions of the Republic of Latvia and to his/her family members – in cases mentioned in Paragraph 2, Subparagraphs 5.1.1., 5.4.1., 5.7. and 8.1. of these Regulations;
- 10.15. to a person who resides in the Republic of Latvia in accordance with the scientific cooperation and to his/her family members - in cases mentioned in Paragraph 2, Subparagraphs 5.1.1., 5.4.1., 5.7. and 8.1. of these Regulations;
- 10.16. to a trainee or a student of an accredited educational institution who arrives to study in the Republic of Latvia in accordance with an exchange programme – in cases mentioned in Paragraph 2, Subparagraphs 5.1.1., 5.7., Paragraph 6 and Subparagraph 8.1. of these Regulations;
- 10.17. to a teacher who works in the private educational institution “International School of Latvia” (the working of the private educational institution “International School of Latvia” is ensured in accordance with Agreement concluded between the Governments of the Republic of Latvia and United States of America) and to his/her family member – in cases mentioned in Subparagraphs 5.1.1., 5.1.4., 5.7., Paragraph 6 and Subparagraph 8.1. of these Regulations;
- 10.18. to a teacher of an accredited educational institution and to his/her family members – in cases mentioned in Paragraph 2, Subparagraphs 5.1.1., 5.1.4., 5.7., Paragraph 6 and Subparagraph 8.1. of these Regulations;
- 10.19. to a person who has joined a cloister registered with the Board of Religious Affairs – in cases mentioned in Subparagraphs 5.1.1., 5.1.4., 5.7., Paragraph 6 and Subparagraph 8.1. of these Regulations;

10.20. to railway personnel which ensure international carriages by rail to the Republic of Latvia or there from, or in transit through the Republic of Latvia – for an application of a visa;