

Regional divisions of the Office:

Rīga Kurzemes regional division

Rīga, Mārtiņa Str. 9, LV - 1048

Rīga Vidzemes district division

Rīga, Burtņieku Str. 37, LV - 1084

Rīga Latgales district division

Rīga, Daugavpils Str. 31, LV - 1003

Rīga Zemgales district division

Rīga, E. Smiļģa Str. 44, LV - 1002

Rīgas Ziemeļu regional division

Rīga, Ganību dambis 24a, LV - 1005

Aizkraukle regional division

Aizkraukle, Lāčplēša Str. 1, LV - 5101

Aluksne regional division

Aluksne, Dārza Str. 11, LV - 4301

Balvu regional division

Balvi, Bērzpils Str. 1a, LV - 4500

Bauska regional division

Bauska, Uzvaras Str. 3, LV - 3901

Cēsis regional division

Cēsis, Poruka Str. 8, LV - 4100

Daugavpils city and regional division

Daugavpils, Saules Str. 15, LV - 5400

Dobele regional division

Dobele, Viestura Str. 12a, LV - 3701

Gulbene regional division

Gulbene, Gaitnieku Str. 2a, LV - 4401

Jelgava city and regional division

Jelgava, Uzvaras Str. 8, LV - 3001

Jekabpils regional division

Jekabpils, Draudzības Str. 2, LV - 5201

Jurmala city division

Jurmala, Strēlnieku Pr. 16, LV - 2015

Kraslava regional division

Kraslava, Diķu Str. 5, LV - 5600

Kuldīgas regional division

Kuldīga, Pilsētas laukums 2, LV - 3300

Liepājas city and regional division

Liepāja, Gaudu Str. 23, LV - 3400

Limbažu regional division

Limbaži, Cēsu Str. 17, LV - 4001

Ludzas regional division

Ludza, Stacijas Str. 46, LV - 5701

Madona regional division

Madona, Saules Str. 17, LV - 4801

Ogre regional division

Ogre, Brīvības Str. 33a, LV - 5000

Preiļu regional division

Preiļi, A. Paulāna Str. 3a, LV - 5300

Rezekne city and regional division

Rezekne, Atbrīvošanas Str. 93, LV - 4601

Rīgas regional division

Rīga, Gaujas Str. 17, LV - 1026

Saldus regional division

Saldus, Tūristu Str. 1, LV - 3800

Talsu regional division

Talsi, Kareivju Str. 7, LV - 3200

Tukuma regional division

Tukums, Pils Str. 14, LV - 3100

Valka regional division

Valka, Rīgas Str. 24, LV - 4700

Valmiera regional division

Valmiera, Meža Str. 7, LV - 4201

Ventspils city and regional division

Ventspils, Užavas Str. 8, LV - 3600

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Do You know what is Office of Citizenship and Migration Affairs?



OFFICE OF CITIZENSHIP AND MIGRATION AFFAIRS

In 2006, the Office of Citizenship and Migration Affairs (hereinafter – the Office) will celebrate its 15th anniversary. Since the establishment of the Office, the scope of responsibilities has increased, however, the body is still in its development process. As a modern state governance authority it sets its priority to be a simple, foreseeable and understandable co-operation with the population, therefore the Office has started to ensure that population receives services of the highest quality, as well as to create a double-check, convenient and safe system for identity documents, and development of a new residence registration system.

In the future we see the Office as a modern and opened state authority, where the population is provided with the service system up to the highest standards.

You're welcome to the Office!



Vilnis Jēkabsons

Head of the Office of Citizenship and Migration Affairs

Tendencies of activities

The Office is a state institution under the supervision of the Ministry of Interior of Republic of Latvia.

More than 600 staff, which is employed in the head office and in 32 Regional Divisions in 26 Latvia's districts, in Riga and in Jurmala city, implements the functions of the Office.

Passport matters:

- issue identification and travel documents;
- account the mentioned documents, develop and maintain the relevant data bases;
- keep abreast with the processes in the world in the field of issuance of identification documents and ensure introduction of documents in accordance with international standards.

Maintenance of Population Register and account keeping of population:

- register individuals in the Population Register and verify the information submitted by the persons to be registered;
- provide the required information to individuals and/or state institutions, as determined by legal acts;
- maintain and update the unified computerized record keeping system of population;
- ensure statistics and preparation of data summaries according to the information entered into the Population Register.

Elaboration and implementation of migration policy:

- approve letters of invitation for visa and/or residence permit applications;
- issue, cancel and annul visas; issue, cancel and annul residence permits and work permits;
- confirm travellers lists for student field trips within the territory of the European Union;
- analyse statistic data related to visa and residence permit issues;
- in cooperation with other state institutions and municipalities control entry and residence of foreign nationals into the Republic of Latvia;
- analyse the experience of Latvia and other countries in tackling migration issues.

Determination of person's legal status:

- ensure examination of persons customs status and documentation in the Republic of Latvia;
- supervise persons registration into the Population Register;
- update the list of foreigners, who are prohibited to entry into the Republic of Latvia;
- make registration of persons belonging to Latvia, who live in foreign countries, and issuance of persons identification documents;
- examine questions and make decisions on issuance of departure orders and forced expulsion.

Repatriation issues:

- examine repatriation documents, make decisions on granting or refusing repatriates status;
- issue and register residence permits to repatriates who are not citizens of Latvia, and to their family members;
- issue documents confirming a repatriates status;
- provide information about social rights and guarantees of repatriates;
- examine application of repatriates for material assistance and other kind of assistance.

Asylum issues:

- make decisions on granting or refusing a refugee or alternative status;
- issue documents to asylum seekers, refugees and individuals who have been granted alternative status;
- contribute integration of asylum seekers into society.

The Office cooperates with international organizations and with migration services of other countries. It takes charge of issues that are the scope of its responsibilities to make them well coordinated and complied with requirements of European Union and provisions of human rights.