

Policy in relation to visas for purposes of family reunification is currently being developed. Therefore, consideration of visa applications from dependent relatives in the ascending line to join family members in Ireland is temporarily suspended, for a number of weeks, pending publication of the policy.

Applications may continue to be made but applicants should note that these will be considered in the framework of the policy when published. This does not apply to visa applications from family members of persons exercising free movement rights under Directive 2004/38/EC.

Family Member of Irish Citizen

	Documents Required	Check Box
Join Spouse (Irish National)		
1	Fully completed and signed visa application form	
2	Current passport with at least 12 months validity remaining and four clear pages	
3	Previous passports (if any)	
4	Two colour passport photographs (one to be glued to the top left of your application form)	
5	Clear copy of spouse's passport	
6	Marriage Certificate	
7	Detailed statement of your bank account covering a six-month period immediately prior to your visa application, and showing sufficient funds to cover your costs.	
8	A full account of relationship history – when and where you met, evidence of this such as visas, entry/exit stamps on the passport of your Irish spouse. Please note that for Immigration purposes it is not sufficient for a relationship to have developed solely over the internet or by telephone/sms. A relationship must include a number face to face meetings (excluding webcam) between the parties. You must satisfy the visa officer that the relationship is bona-fide.	
9	Evidence of your spouse's finances and employment – Employment letter on headed paper, P60, payslips, bank statement for six months prior to application. Employment letter should include contact details for employment so that the information can be verified	
10	If you have been refused a visa for any other country, details of this must be given. Submit a copy of the letter issued to you by the authorities of that country. Concealment of visa refusals will result in your Irish visa application being refused	

Join Partner (Irish National)

If you are the partner of an Irish Citizen in a long-term relationship or a civil partner who has contracted a registered partnership, or are a party to a class of legal relationship specified in the Civil Partnership (Recognition of Registered Foreign Relationships) Order 2010 as entitled to be recognized as a civil partnership and you wish to join your partner in Ireland or accompany them to Ireland, please see the following list of documents required:

Documents Required		Check Box
1	Fully completed and signed visa application form	
2	Current passport with at least 12 months validity remaining and four clear pages	
3	Previous passports (if any)	
4	Visa fee	
5	Two colour passport photographs (one to be glued to the top left of your application form)	
6	Clear copy of your partner's passport	
7	A full account of relationship history – when and where you met, evidence of this such as visas, entry/exit stamps on the passport of your Irish spouse. Please note that for Immigration purposes it is not sufficient for a relationship to have developed solely over the internet or by telephone/sms. A relationship must include a number face to face meetings (excluding webcam) between the parties. You must satisfy the visa officer that the relationship is bona-fide.	
8	In the case of a registered or recognised civil partnership please submit Registration Certificate of partnership.	
9	Detailed statement of your bank account covering a six-month period immediately prior to your visa application, and showing sufficient funds to cover your costs	
10	Evidence of your partner's finances and employment – Employment letter on headed paper, P60, payslips, bank statement for six months prior to application. Employment letter should include contact details for employment so that the information can be verified	
11	If you have children (under 18 years) who do not hold Irish passports and therefore require a visa, a separate application must be submitted, along with a birth certificate, for each child.	
12	If you have been refused a visa for any other country, details of this must be given. Submit a copy of the letter issued to you by the authorities of that country. Concealment of visa refusals will result in your Irish visa application being refused	

Join Parent (Irish National)

If you have children (under 18 years) who do not hold Irish passports, and therefore require a visa, a separate application must be submitted, along with a birth certificate, for each child. The following documents should be submitted:

1	Fully completed and signed visa application form	
2	Current passport with at least 12 months validity remaining and four clear pages	
3	Previous passports (if any)	
3	Two colour passport photographs (one to be glued to the top left of your application form)	

4	Birth Certificate	
5	The consent of both parents/guardians to reside in Ireland	
6	Copy of the passport details page for both parents	
7	Where only one parent has sole custody, a Court Order bestowing sole custody of this child must be shown	
8	If you have been refused a visa for any other country, details of this must be given. Submit a copy of the letter issued to you by the authorities of that country. Concealment of visa refusals will result in your Irish visa application being refused	