

Documentation for the renewal of an Algerian Certificate of Residence - spouse of a scientist/researcher for the spouse of a scientist

Documents to be submitted at the local Prefecture

- Proof of legal residence: valid Algerian residence certificate
- Valid passport (with photocopies of all written and stamped pages)
- Marriage certificate (document corresponding to situation at the time of the request)
- Declaration of non-polygamy
- Proof of residence from within the last six months:

If you are a tenant, you must include a bill (water, gas, electricity, landline telephone, etc.) or a proof you subscribed to a housing insurance. However, if you are staying in a hotel, residence or at the Faculty Club, you must ask for a certificate of domicile (attestation de domicile) and an invoice for the last month of rent. Finally, if you are hosted by a private individual, the host must complete and sign a hosting certificate (attestation d'hébergement), provide proof of address in their name from within the last 6 months, as well as a copy of their identification.

- 3 identical ID photos (complying with prefecture standards)
- Algerian Certificate of Residence for the scientist, their hosting agreement (convention d'accueil d'un chercheur étranger), their work contract or convention de séjour de recherche

Please present the original documents, in addition to a French translation made by a sworn translator of the Appeal Court of Aix en Provence. It is also important to check whether the marriage certificate requires an apostille and/or legalization.

- Tax stamps (timbres fiscaux) to the value of the fee (€ 250). You can buy it online [here](#).
(to give to the Prefecture when you pick up your resident permit, so purchase it only when the Prefecture informs you that your card is ready.)

Updated by the WELCOME CENTER on 05/05/2026 the requirements may change.

Please check on <https://www.service-public.gouv.fr/particuliers/vosdroits/F2215> and on <https://www.alpes-maritimes.gouv.fr/>

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