

## Documents required for a spouse's initial Algerian Residence Certificate application

### Documents to be submitted to the préfecture of your place of residence in France

- Long stay visa «conjoint de scientifique/chercheur»
- Valid passport (with photocopies of all pages that have been written on or stamped)
- Documentation of civil status: Birth certificate (with parents listed), marriage certificate, children's birth certificates (with parents listed), declaration of non-polygamy in France.
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- 3 recent, identical identity photographs
- 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 or a residence**, you must ask for a certificate of domicile (attestation de domicile) and an invoice for the last month of rent. If **you are staying at the Faculty Club**, you must ask the CROUS Faculty Club for a certificate of domicile (attestation de résidence). 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.
- The researcher's certificate of residence for an Algerian researcher marked «Certificat de résidence Algérien scientifique/chercheur» (or a récépissé from the first request for this card, if both arrive at the same time)
- The researcher's hosting agreement (convention d'accueil), their work contract (or a confirmation letter from the employer) or their «convention de séjour de recherche» (if applicable).
- Contrat d'engagement à respecter les principes de la République (Décret n° 2024-811 du 8 juillet 2024) not mandatory for Algerien citizens, but recommended.

Please present the original documents, in addition to a French translation made by a sworn translator from the Appeal Court of Aix en Provence.

- Tax stamps (timbres fiscaux) to the value of the fee (€ 225). 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 20.09.2024; the requirements may change. Please check here:

<https://www.alpes-maritimes.gouv.fr/Demarches/Immigration-et-integration>