YOUR FIRST STEPS IN HAMBURG

Search for suitable accommodation (flat or house) and familiarise yourself with your rights and duties as a tenant.

After the relocation you are obliged to register your place of residence within two weeks. Please arrange an appointment in advance.

Look for a job in order to earn your living on your own.

Your personal tax identification number will be sent to you automatically by post.

registration certificate

Some foreign professional qualifications first need to be recognized in Germany.

Anyone who intends to stay in Germany in the longer term will need a bank account. Bank institutes ask for a registration certificate.

Language skills make settling down easier. In Hamburg, you have many opportunities to learn German.

Signing up for health insurance is mandatory for everyone living in Germany.

Please make sure, whether and for how long your foreign drivers licence is accepted in Germany.

Your employer applies for your social security number.

Choose a daycare facility or a school for your children and apply for Child Benefit.

Immigrants from non-EU states need a residence permit.