The third-country national who wishes to reside on Luxembourg territory for more than three months to work as an athlete or instructor, must be holder of an authorisation to stay for a sportsman/sportswoman. The application must be made and favourably advised before entering on Luxembourg territory. An application made after the entry on the territory is inadmissible.

1. Requirements
The authorisation to stay as a sportsman/woman is issued to work, exclusively, as an athlete or instructor. The applicant must dispose of a contract with a recognized federation or an affiliated club aimed at by the modified law of 3 August 2005 concerning sports. The remuneration in this contract must not be inferior to the social minimum salary fixed for a full time job¹.

2. Application for authorisation to stay
The third-country national must submit an application to the minister in charge of immigration.² The applicant must disclose his/her identity (names, first names) as well as his/her exact address in the country of residence. He/she must also enclose the following documents in the application:

- a copy of his/her valid passport, in its entirety (all pages);
- a recent extract from his/her police record or an affidavit issued in the country of residence;
- a curriculum vitae;
- a copy of the work contract conforming to Luxembourg labour law, dated and signed by himself/herself and a recognized federation or an affiliated club, mentioning a payment at least equal to the social minimum salary for a full job;
- proof of a health insurance covering all risks on Luxembourg territory;
- in case of an instructor: a copy of his/her professional qualifications;
- if need be, a mandate/proxy³.

In case the documents are not in German, French or English, a conforming translation by a sworn translator must be enclosed.

An incomplete application will be sent back to the applicant.

¹ The social minimum salary is 2,071.10 Euros according to the current scale since January 1st 2019. The amount of the social minimum salary is regularly adapted. Please check the actual amount on the internet site http://www.mss.public.lu/publications/parametres_sociaux/index.html

² The application can be submitted by sending it to the Immigration Directorate (see address below) or by handing it in to a diplomatic or consular representation of Luxembourg or the diplomatic or consular mission representing Luxembourg.

³ The third-country national may confer mandate to a third person so as to submit the application in his/her place. In this case, the appointed person, except for juridical consultants, must present a duly signed and dated mandate from the third-country national. The signature must be preceded by the handwritten phrase « good for power of attorney ». You can find a model of a mandate/proxy on the internet site www.guichet.lu
If granted, the third-country national receives a “temporary authorisation to stay” ("autorisation de séjour temporaire"). This temporary authorisation to stay is valid for a period of 90 days. During this time, the third-country national must:
- either request a visa to enter the Schengen area, if subject to visa obligation;
- or, if not subject to visa obligation, enter on the territory of Luxembourg and make his/her declaration of arrival at the municipality ("administration communale") of the chosen place of residence.

After entering Luxembourg, the third-country national has to follow the procedure to apply for the residence permit ("titre de séjour").

For further information (in English, French and German), please visit the web site www.guichet.lu

Information note on the protection of personal data

The Directorate of Immigration of the Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs collects and uses your personal data in the context of its public interest mission in implementation of the amended law of 29 August 2008 on the free movement of persons and immigration, and in compliance with the legal provisions on data protection. More detailed information on the processing of your data, as well as on your rights in the matter, are available on the website: https://maee.gouvernement.lu/en/services-aux-citoyens/visa-immigration.html