



LE GOUVERNEMENT  
DU GRAND-DUCHÉ DE LUXEMBOURG  
Ministère des Affaires intérieures

Direction générale de l'immigration

**Authorisation to stay of a third-country national  
in view of an independent activity (« independent worker »)**

(articles 51 to 53 of the modified law of 29 august 2008 on the free movement of people and immigration)

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

The third-country national must submit an application to the minister in charge of immigration<sup>1</sup> by using the form « Application for authorisation to stay as an independent worker » (available on [www.guichet.lu](http://www.guichet.lu)).

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.**

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](http://www.guichet.lu).**

**Information note on the protection of personal data:**

The General Department of immigration of the Ministry of Home 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, 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://gd.lu/immigration>.

<sup>1</sup> The application can be submitted by sending it to the General Department of immigration (see address below) or by handing it in to a diplomatic or consular representation of Luxembourg or the diplomatic or consular mission representing Luxembourg.