



Migrationsamt

Questions and answers about the biometric permit for foreign nationals (AA10)

- **How do I find out if biometric recording is required?**
If necessary, you will receive an invitation to an appointment for the recording of the biometric data at the Office for Migration (Migrationsamt) of the Canton of St.Gallen.
- **Who will receive a new biometric permit for foreign nationals?**
Only third-country nationals holding an L, B, or C permit. Third-country nationals holding an F or N permit will not receive a biometric permit for foreign nationals.
- **Can the appointment set be postponed? If so, how?**
Postponements of appointments are possible for important reasons and can be arranged directly with the Identity Document Centre (Ausweisstelle) by phone: 058 229 8877 (Mon-Fri 08.00-11.30, 13.30-17.00 h).
- **What does biometric recording cost and how can it be paid for?**
Costs of biometric recording: CHF 20.00 per person (cash payment, EC/Postcard). The costs for the permit for foreign nationals will be charged separately by the Local Residents' Office (Einwohneramt).
- **Can I present directly at the counter of the Identity Document Centre (Ausweisstelle) without an appointment?**
No.
- **What data will be recorded?**
A portrait photograph, two fingerprints, and the signature will be recorded.
- **What do I have to bring along?**
The invitation letter for the appointment, your passport, 20 CHF per person, and as the case may be, the old permit for foreign nationals.
- **Can I also request a biometric permit even if my current permit is still valid?**
No. The current permit remains valid until expiry.
- **Where is the Identity Document Centre (Ausweisstelle) for biometric recording?**
Oberer Graben 32, 9001 St.Gallen
- **How do I normally receive the new permit for foreign nationals?**
The permit for foreign nationals will be sent directly to your address of residence by registered mail.
- **Where can I find further information?**
<http://www.migrationsamt.sg.ch> or <http://www.ausweisstelle.sg.ch/>