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Ask the friend(s) or family member(s) you plan to visit in Ireland to type or write a letter that states that they are inviting you to Ireland to visit them. Ask them to sign and date the letter. Include the letter with your application.

The letter must state:

- The reason they are inviting you to Ireland
- The dates they plan to see you in Ireland
- A description of how they know you.

The letter must include a clear legible colour photocopy of the picture page of their National Identity Card or passport (including for Irish citizens).

The letter must also include a statement by your friend(s) or family member(s) that they understand you must:

- Obey the conditions of your visa in full
- Not rely on public services (for example public hospitals) or become a burden on the State
- Leave Ireland before your immigration permission expires.

You must get a separate letter from each friend/family member you are visiting who has a different home address. A single letter for friends/family who live at the same address is acceptable.

Conditional requirements for the invitation letter

If you are invited to stay with your friend(s) or family member(s) in their home, the letter must state:

- That they are inviting you to stay with them in their home
- The dates you are invited to stay and their full postal address (including EirCode).

If the friend(s) or family member(s) inviting you to Ireland is a non-EU/EEA and non-Swiss citizen, the letter must include:

- A clear legible colour photocopy of their current valid [Irish Residence Permit](#)
- A clear legible colour photocopy of the current valid [immigration permission stamp](#) in their passport.

If your friend(s) or family member(s) will help to pay for your vacation, the letter must include:

- A cost estimate and a description of what they will pay for (if appropriate), for example cost of airline tickets in Euro, cost of accommodation and living expenses for your short stay in Ireland.
- Documents that prove they can afford to pay a full description of required documents is on this page.