## Article 59. (Marriage to a BIH citizen - PB/1)

- (1) Temporary residence on the basis of marriage to a BiH citizen may be approved to an alien if the BiH citizen resides in BIH and if the marriage is valid in BiH.
- (2) Along with the application for granting or extension of temporary residence, besides the evidence on fulfilling general conditions for granting temporary residence prescribed by Article 53. of the Law and Article 58. of this Bylaw, the alien shall submit the following:
  - a) certificate from the register of marriages issued by the relevant register office in BiH, or an equivalent document issued by the relevant authority of another country, issued in international form, which evidently indicates marriage to a BiH citizen, or certified copy of the marriage certificate with certified translation.
  - b) a copy of the identity card for the citizen of Bosnia and Herzegovina
  - c) certificate of citizenship for the BiH citizen
  - d) statement certified by the municipal administrative authority or notary public by which the BIH citizens commits to bear the costs of accommodation of the alien in BIH, medical costs, costs of support and other costs arising during the stay of the alien in BIH, and costs of placing under surveillance, voluntary departure or forcible removal, as well as all other costs for the departure of the alien from BIH.
- (3) In the procedure for issuing the application from Paragraph (1) of this Article, in order to determine the existence of a marriage, checks of official records and operational checks in the field shall be performed, a special investigation procedure shall be conducted if necessary, both spouses shall be interviewed (individually and/or face to face), and if necessary witnesses shall be interviewed.
- (4) A temporary residence permit shall be issued for the period stated in the application, not longer than one year, provided that the alien's passport validity period is at least three months longer than the period of residence in Bosnia and Herzegovina.
- (5) Should the marriage to the BIH citizen end, an alien is entitled to an extension of the residence permit only if meeting the requirements set out in Article 58. of the Law.