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Turkish special passports

People, who are entitled to a special passport

The special passport of Turkey is issued on an individual basis to government officials having reached what is called level one, two or three. A Turkish government official starts his carrier at level 15. For an employee to reach the higher levels he/she must pass certain exams. Reaching level two or three does not happen automatically, but note that level three can only be reached after gaining at least 12 years of experience.¹

A special passport is valid for five years, but the holder of a special passport is entitled to hold a special passport for the rest of his life. Spouses and children under the age of 18 are also entitled to a special passport. Any children of the holder of a special passport under the age of 25 years, who are unmarried, under education or not employed are entitled to a special passport as well.² Spouses are entitled to keep their special passport the rest of their life, but lose the passport in case of divorce from the person awarded the special passport.³

Issuance of the Turkish special passport

Since the 4th of April 2018 all passports in Turkey are issued by Nüfus ve Vatandaşlık İşleri, Genel Müdürlüğü, (NVI). The NVI is the national authority responsible for civil registration and citizenship and is also the passport issuing authority in Turkey. Passports issued before this date was issued by the police and the governor in each district.⁴ The only exception is the diplomatic passport which is issued by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.⁵

Applications for special passports to the holder and relevant family members are submitted by the employer. When applying for a special passport to a spouse a marriage certificate must be provided.⁶

¹ Landinfo, 21st of January 2019, *Temanotat Tyrkia: Pass*, <https://landinfo.no/wp-content/uploads/2019/01/Tyrkia-temanotat-Pass-21012019.pdf>, p. 9. Accessed on 6th of June 2019

² Landinfo, 21st of January 2019, p. 9

³ Landinfo, 21st of January 2019, p. 9

⁴ Landinfo, 21st of January 2019, p. 6.

⁵ Landinfo, 21st of January 2019, p. 8

⁶ Landinfo, 21st of January 2019, p. 9

According to Landinfo Turkish citizens must book an appointment online, before going to the local Nüfus department. Here the applicant must provide fingerprints of all ten fingers. The applicant must bring two passport photos (pictures cannot be taken on site), furthermore the applicant must bring a national ID card containing a picture and a receipt of the passport fee having been paid. People applying for a special passport must furthermore provide an application form that have been stamped and signed by the organization of employment.⁷

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