



**Information about
"Address Finding / Searching for Persons / Family History (Genealogy)"**

- In Germany every resident, regardless of his/her nationality, is legally obliged to register with their local council. In the case of a person who was **recently registered** in Germany, you can inquire to the **local registration office ("Einwohnermeldeamt")** at their last known town of residence. A specimen address is provided in the box below. If the person has moved within Germany, the registration office will know their new address.

*Einwohnermeldeamt
Postfach
D-...(postcode & name of town)
(Postcodes can be searched at
https://www.postdirekt.de/plzserver/PlzSearchServlet?lang=en_GB)*

(The following example sentence contains the essential information needed by the local registration office to locate a person who was recently registered in Germany):

Der Name der Person ist(full name of person you are looking for), geboren am (his or her date of birth) mit letztem mir bekannten Wohnsitz in (last known town of residence in Germany).

- You may also be able to find someone through the German telephone directory:
www.datelefonbuch.de

•**Family tracing services (not for genealogical research)**

<i>Deutsches Rotes Kreuz Suchdienst-München Chiemgaustrasse 109 D - 81549 München Tel: +49-89-680 7730 Fax: +49-89-680 74592 www.drk-suchdienst.de/en</i>	<i>Salvation Army Family Tracing Service 101 Newington Causeway GB – London SE1 6BN Tel: +44-845 634 4747 www.salvationarmy.org.uk</i>
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- For **birth- marriage- or death- certificates from Germany** please contact the **local registrar`s office (“Standesamt”)** as there is no central registry in Germany. The German Embassy is unable to provide you with certificates or contact the German registrar`s office on your behalf.

<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Standesamt (Registrar`s Office)</i> <i>Postfach</i> D-(Postcode & name of town)</p>
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- For **detective agencies or assistance in commercial matters:**

<p style="text-align: center;"><i>German British Chamber of Industry and Commerce</i> <i>16 Buckingham Gate</i> <i>GB - LONDON SW1E 6LB</i> http://grossbritannien.ahk.de/en</p>

- For information about **German soldiers of World War I and II**, incl. **German POW** in Britain:

<p><i>Deutsche Dienststelle (WASt)</i> <i>Eichborndamm 179</i> <i>D - 13403 BERLIN</i> <i>Tel: +49-30-419040</i> <i>Fax: +49-30-41904100</i> www.dd-wast.de/en</p>	<p><i>Volksbund Deutsche Kriegsgräberfürsorge e.V.</i> <i>(German War Graves)</i> <i>Werner-Hilpert-Str. 2</i> <i>D - 34117 KASSEL</i> <i>Tel: +49-561-7009-0</i> <i>Fax: +49-561-7009-221</i> www.volksbund.de/en</p>
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- **Family History Research, Heraldry & Genealogy**

- **Anglo German Family History**

Anglo German Family History Society
www.agfhs.org

- **Genealogy Websites for finding ancestors in Germany**

www.compgen.de
www.wiki-en.genealogy.net
www.jewishgen.org
www.familysearch.org
www.ancestry.de
www.myheritage.de
www.archion.de

➤ **Specialist Magazines**

<p><i>"Familienkundliche Nachrichten"</i> Verlag Degener & Co Am Brühl 9 D- 91610 Insingen www.familienkundliche-nachrichten.de</p>	<p><i>"Archiv für Familiengeschichtsforschung (AfF)"</i> C.A. Starke Verlag Frankfurter Str. 51-53 D-65549 Limburg www.starkeverlag.de</p>
<p><i>"Computergenealogie"</i> Pferdesport Verlag Ehlers GmbH Rockwinkeler Landstr. 20 28355 Bremen-Oberneuland www.pferdesportverlag.de</p>	

Important

This information is given to the best knowledge but without liability of the Embassy.
It is recommended that inquiries to German institutions are made in German or with a German translation attached. You can find translation services near your home town through the "Yellow Pages" or through the Institute of Linguists (www.ciol.org.uk).
Please always enclose with your letters a self-addressed envelope and international post reply coupon. Charges may apply.