

## **Financial means to cover costs of stay in Poland and return from Poland**

According to Polish law, foreigners must possess a specified amount of money to cover costs of their stay in Poland and costs of the return trip to their country of origin.

The amounts are specified in Polish zloty (PLN), but can be also possessed in the equivalent foreign currency. You will need to make your own calculation, according to the exchange rate at the time of submitting the application. As of 04.07.2019, 100 PLN is roughly 30 USD or 850 THB.

### **Costs of stay in Poland**

The required amount of money to cover the costs of your stay in Poland is:

- 300 PLN total, if the stay in Poland does not exceed 4 days
- 75 PLN per day, if the stay in Poland is longer than 4 days
- 20 PLN per day, but not less than 100 PLN total if your costs of accommodation are covered and/or you are part of a tour group which includes these costs
- At least 701 PLN per month, excluding costs of accommodation, if you are a student/researcher/scientist.

### **Costs of return from Poland**

The required amount of money to cover the cost of return to your country of origin is the equivalent of the amount you paid for your flight ticket to Poland, however not less than 2500 PLN. You can also provide a confirmed return ticket back to your country of origin.

### **Proof of financial means**

To demonstrate that you have sufficient financial means, you can submit the following documents relating to you or the person sponsoring you:

- letter from a bank in your country of origin, confirming the limit on the credit card, or
- bank account statement from a bank registered in Poland or another EU Member State, or
- travelers cheque, or
- for students/researchers/scientists – proof of scholarship, or
- for students/researchers/scientists - proof of employment and salary.

When submitting bank documents or travelers cheques, you should demonstrate that you or the sponsor possess financial means for the entire duration of the trip/length of visa you are applying for. For example: a student applying for a 1-year visa (maximum duration of a visa) should demonstrate he/she or the sponsor possesses, at the time of the visa application, financial means for the entire 12 month period.

When submitting proof of scholarship or proof of employment and salary, it is enough to demonstrate that you have a sufficient monthly income to cover the required monthly costs (costs of stay plus accommodation).