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TYPES OF PORTUGUESE VISA

Residence Visa - Administration costs¹: € 90,00, and for each renewal €66,80.

This is a Portuguese visa for a four-month period in order to request a residence permit after arrival. This can be granted for any of the following reasons:

i. Residence Visa for subordinate professional activity – It's a common manner to enter the country, awarded to those who have secured employment in Portugal. Residence Visa for subordinate professional activity



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ii. Residence Visa for independent professional activity or for entrepreneurial emigrants - This visa is intended for applicants who wish to provide services as a self-employed individual/ In order to grant a visa, the applicant must have carried out investment operations or demonstrate the intention to carry out an investment operation in Portuguese territory. The applicant has yet to prove the availability of financial means for that purpose, which are available in Portugal. Residence Visa for independent professional activity or for entrepreneurial emigrants

iii. Residence Visa for teaching activity, highly qualified or cultural activity - This visa is intended for foreigners who will be teaching in Portugal/who will practice highly qualified activity like executive positions of large corporations or cultural activities.

Residence Visa for teaching activity, highly qualified or cultural activity

iv. Residence Visa for a highly qualified activity performed by subordinate worker - This visa is intended for highly qualified applicants whose employment contract is valid for a period of more than one year under a subordinated regime, that is, the employee must belong to the staff of the contracting company.

Residence Visa for a highly qualified activity performed by subordinate worker

v. Residence Visa for research, exchange of secondary school students, internship and volunteering - This visa is intended for highly qualified applicants whose employment contract is valid for a period of more than one year. The applicant must submit an employment contract or a binding Residence Visa for research, exchange of secondary school students, internship and volunteering



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job offer with a salary of at least 1.5 times the average gross annual salary in one of the activities listed as highly qualified.

vi. Residence Visa for research, exchange of secondary school students, internship and volunteering - This visa is intended for applicants who will research and/or study, exchange secondary education, do internships/volunteering activities. Residence Visa for research, exchange of secondary school students, internship and volunteering

vii. Residence Visa for family reunification purposes - This visa is intended for family members of holders of a residence visa in Portugal. Citizens with valid residence permits are entitled to family reunification with family members who have lived with them in another country, who depend on them or who cohabit with them, regardless of whether family ties are before or after the resident's entry.

Residence Visa for family reunification purposes

viii. D7 visa - This visa is intended for foreign citizens wishing to live in Portugal as retirees or with their own income.

D7 visa

General documentation:

- Official form:
- Passport or additional travel document valid for 3 months after the duration of the stay;
- Two passport photos, up-to-date and with enough quality to identify the applicant;

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- Valid travel insurance, allowing medical coverage, including medical emergencies and repatriation;
- Proof of being in a regular situation when from a different nationality than that of the country where the visa is being applied for;
- Request for criminal record enquiry by the Immigration and Border Services (SEF);
- Criminal record certificate from the country of origin or the country where the applicant is residing for over a year;
- Proof of means of subsistence as stipulated by law (proof of subsistence means can be made through a statement of responsibility, signed by a Portuguese national or by a foreign national legally resident in Portugal).

Regarding the means of subsistence, the law stipulates that the minimum necessary income varies according to the number of people in the household and is calculated by reference to the guaranteed minimum monthly remuneration, being:

Minimum necessary income

- a) First adult 100%;
- b) Second or more adults 50%;
- c) Children and young people under the age of 18 and dependent children over 30%.

The minimum monthly remuneration guaranteed in Portugal currently amounts to \le 665.00.

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Golden Visa

Portugal has implemented a Golden Residence Permit Programme for foreign investors.

Golden residence Permit Programme

According to such programme, foreign citizens may be granted a residence permit for the purpose of **performing investment activities in Portugal** (with exemption of a previous residence visa), on the basis of compliance with certain requirements.

Such requirements may be fulfilled either by the foreign citizen itself or through a company with head-office in Portugal or in another Member-State of the European Union with permanent establishment in Portugal, in which the foreign citizen holds a stake in the share capital (in this case, the investment amount to be taken into consideration is the one that results from the proportion of the share capital owned by the foreign citizen in the company in relation to the total investment amount to be made in Portugal by such company).

A special visa to attract foreign investment into portugal

This is a special visa designed to attract foreign investment into Portugal.

The Residence Permit for Investment Activity (ARI) regime allows nationals of Third States (non-EU countries) to obtain a temporary residence permit for investment activity with the exemption of a residence visa to enter national territory.

Any nationals of Third States can apply for a golden visa in Portugal.

Applicants must make at least one of the investments below, either

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as an individual business person or via a business set up in Portugal or another EU member state.

- Capital transfer of at least €1 million into Portugal
- Creation of at least 10 job positions in Portugal
- Purchase property in Portugal worth at least €500,000
- Acquire real estate in Portuguese urban areas at least 30 years old or located in an urban rehabilitation area and carrying out works for the rehabilitation of real estate acquired, in the total amount equal to or greater than 350 thousand euros;
- Investing at least €350,000 in scientific research in Portugal
- Investments of €250,000 or more in Portuguese arts, culture, and heritage
- Capital transfer in an amount equal to or greater than €
 350,000 intended for the acquisition of investment
 units in investment funds or venture capital funds
 dedicated to the capitalization of companies
- Transfer of capital in an amount equal to or greater than
 € 350,000 destined to the constitution of a commercial
 company with headquarters in the national territory,
 combined with the creation of five permanent jobs, or
 to reinforce the capital of a commercial company with
 headquarters in the territory already constituted, with
 the creation or maintenance of jobs, with a minimum of
 five permanent, and for a minimum period of three year

Investments to obtain golden visa



General documentation:

The application for residence title should be scheduled (*via an electronic platform – to be implemented for holders of residence visas*) and submitted personally on a standard form signed by the applicant or his/her legal representative. The application may be submitted at any SEF's directorate or regional delegation, which, after proceedings and decision, will forward it to the directorate or regional delegation of the applicant's area of residence.

Application

Necessary documentation as follows:

- passport or valid identification document;
- proof of legal entry into Portugal;
- proof of health insurance;
- criminal record certificate from country of origin/residence (issued within the last three months);
- Request for criminal record enquiry by the Immigration and Border Services (SEF);
- proof of the tax identification number, or equivalent, of the country of origin, residence or tax residence;
- declaration on Commitment to Honor, by which the applicant declares that he will comply with the minimum quantitative and temporal requirements (5 years) of the investment activity in National Territory;
- evidence of compliance with tax and social security obligations;
- receipt of payment of the Portuguese golden visa fees.

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Administration costs²:

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- Initial application € 533,90
- Issue of Investor Residency Permit € 5.325,00
- Renewal of Investor Residency Permit € 2.663,00
- Issue of Portuguese Residency Permit per Family Members €
 5.325,00
- Renewal of Portuguese Residency Permit per Family Members
 € 2.663,00
- Issue of Investor Permanent Residency Permit € 7.455,00



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