




Portugal






THE GOLDEN RESIDENCE PERMIT PROGRAMME



Overview

-  Established in 2012
-  Type: residence
-  Processing time: around 3 - 6 months

Benefits of Residence

-  The right to live, work, study, and undertake business in Portugal
-  Can be renewed for an initial two-year period, then for consecutive five-year periods
-  Eligible for permanent residence after 5 years
-  May, upon fulfilment of certain requirements (including a language requirement), be eligible for citizenship after 6 years of residence
-  Visa-free travel across the Schengen Area

Main Requirements

- ✓ Over the age of 18
- ✓ Good character
- ✓ Third country (i.e. non-EU, EEA or Swiss) national
- ✓ Valid Schengen Visa
- ✓ Good standing with the Portuguese Tax and Customs Authority and Social Security
- ✓ Travel requirement to supply biometrics
- ✓ Residence requirement of 7 days within the first year and 14 days every subsequent 2 years
- ✓ Interview requirement
- ✓ No language requirement for residence

Allows qualified applicants to obtain residence status in Portugal, even while living elsewhere

Family Inclusion

After receipt of a residence permit, the main applicant may apply for residence permits for the following family members:

- Spouse
- Children of the main applicant or of the spouse, if:
 - Aged under 18
 - Aged 18 or over, unmarried, enrolled in an educational establishment, and dependent on the main applicant or spouse
- Dependent parents of the main applicant or of the spouse aged 55 or over, or parents of the main applicant or of the spouse aged 66 or over
- Siblings of the main applicant or of the spouse, aged under 18 and under legal guardianship of the main applicant

The Investment

Applicants can choose between a number of investment options, each with a minimum investment term of 5 years.

1. Real Estate

Applicants can purchase residential, commercial, or agricultural real estate. Processing fees and Municipal Property Tax apply, as well as Non-Resident income tax if the property is leased.

The investment may be made by the applicant or through a Portuguese or EU Limited Liability Company of which the applicant is the sole shareholder.

Real Estate: **€500,000**

Real Estate over 30 years old, or located in areas of urban regeneration and designated for refurbishment: **€350,000**

2. Capital Transfers

Applicants can choose between a series of capital transfers. Processing fees apply.

Standard capital transfer: **€1,000,000**

Capital transfer in scientific research institutions: **€350,000**

Capital transfer in investment funds or venture capital funds: **€350,000**

Capital transfer in a commercial society; plus five permanent jobs for three years: **€350,000**

Capital transfer in artistic output or national heritage: **€250,000**

3. Job Creation

Applicants under this option must create at least ten jobs in Portugal. Processing fees apply.

For both options the minimum amount is reduced by 20% where the investment is made in low population density areas.

Additionally, the following fees apply:

- Residency Permit Issue Fees



Per applicant (other than minors born in Portugal)
€5,325

- Initial Application Fees



For main applicant
€533



For each of the family members
€82.30

Permit Renewal Fees also apply for applicants who wish to renew their permit, as follows:

- Permit Renewal Fees



Main Applicant
€2,663

- Permit Renewal Application Fees



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€533



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