



PORTUGAL

D2 Entrepreneur Visa

Build a business and obtain residence for independent or entrepreneurial activity in Portugal.

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About Portugal Corporate Immigration

Portugal’s residence visa for independent professional activity and immigrant entrepreneurs is available to non-EU, non-EEA and non-Swiss nationals who plan to work independently or invest in Portugal.

Applicants must demonstrate accommodation, subsistence means, travel insurance, criminal-record documentation and a qualifying service agreement or a clearly described investment operation supported by documented funds available in Portugal.

Eligibility

- Applicant outside the EU, EEA or Switzerland
- Valid passport and completed visa application
- Accommodation, insurance and sufficient subsistence means
- Criminal-record documentation and confirmed return transport
- Service contract or professional qualification, when applicable
- Investment declaration and funds available in Portugal

Program Overview



Program Type
D2 Residence Visa



Minimum investment
No Fixed Statutory Minimum



Processing Time
Official Deadline: 60 Days



Physical Presence Required
Normally Required for AIMA

Applicants must prove subsistence means and, for entrepreneurs, funds available in Portugal for a clearly identified investment operation.

Key Benefits

- Residence for independent or entrepreneurial activity
- Initial permit valid for two years
- Renewable for successive periods of three years
- Family reunification for eligible close relatives
- Long-term resident status possible after five years
- Establish and operate a business in Portugal



D2 Entrepreneur and Independent Professional Route

The D2 route covers two applicant profiles: independent professionals with qualifying service arrangements and entrepreneurs intending to make a clearly described investment supported by financial resources in Portugal.

- Independent professionals: Submit a company agreement, service proposal or contract and, for regulated professions, confirmation from the competent Portuguese authority.
- Entrepreneurs: Describe the investment's nature, value and duration and prove financial resources are available in Portugal to implement it.
- Core visa file: Provide application form, passport, photographs, return transport, travel insurance, criminal-record documents, accommodation and sufficient subsistence means.
- Consular application: Apply through the competent Portuguese post. The fee is €90 and the stated decision period is 60 days.
- Portuguese activity: Complete tax and social-security registration and establish the company or independent activity documented in the application.
- Residence permit: Apply through AIMA after arrival. The initial permit lasts two years and is renewable for successive three-year periods.

Process

- 1 Profile Assessment**
Confirm the independent-professional or entrepreneurial route and its planned activity in Portugal.
- 2 Activity Planning**
Define services, business model, investment nature, value, duration and available financial resources.
- 3 Portugal Setup**
Obtain a NIF, arrange funds and prepare company or independent-activity registration.
- 4 Visa Documents**
Compile passport, insurance, criminal record, accommodation, subsistence and professional or investment evidence.
- 5 Consular Application**
Submit through the competent Portuguese post and pay the applicable visa fee.
- 6 AIMA Residence Permit**
After arrival, register with tax and social-security authorities and complete the residence-permit application.
- 7 Compliance and Renewal**
Maintain the declared activity and renew the permit before expiry.

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