

D6 CHECKLIST: FAMILY REUNIFICATION

Personal details of the applicant (as per the passport)
Name: _____
Surname: _____
Passport number: _____
Date of birth: _____
Contact details of the applicant
E-mail address: _____
Telephone no.: _____
<p><b>Please carefully read the following information:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Submit the documents in the exact order given below.</li><li>• Do not staple any document.</li><li>• All supporting documents must be in A4 size paper.</li></ul> <p><b><u>D6 VISA: What it is?</u></b></p> <p>Some family members (specifically identified in the law, see below) of foreign nationals (foreign nationals who are already living in Portugal and who are holders of a valid residency permit issued by the Portuguese authorities) are entitled to family reunification (which means they can join them in Portugal and apply for residency), in which case they should apply for a D6 visa.</p> <p>For that purpose and prior submitting a D6 visa, it is mandatory that the foreign national (living in Portugal and holder of a valid residency permit issued by the Portuguese authorities) must request for family reunification in favour of his/her family members to the Agency for Integration, Migration and Asylum (AIMA) - the new agency responsible for the reception, integration and asylum of migrants since 29/10/2023, which was created with the abolition of the Immigration and Borders Service (SEF) and the restructuring of the border control system in Portugal. Please see: <a href="https://aima.gov.pt/en/viver/reagrupamento-familiar-com-familiar-fora-de-territorio-nacional-art-98-o-n-o-1">https://aima.gov.pt/en/viver/reagrupamento-familiar-com-familiar-fora-de-territorio-nacional-art-98-o-n-o-1</a></p> <p><b>Only the following family members</b> of the foreign national (living in Portugal and holder of a valid residence permit issued by the Portuguese authorities) <b>are entitled to apply for family reunification (D6 visa):</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The <b>spouse (or the partner)</b> in the case of a non-marital partnership, provided that non-marital partnerships are recognised by law in the country of the national);</li><li>• The <b>children under the age of 18 years old</b>, either of the applicant or of his/her spouse, as well as minors adopted by the applicant and/or by his/her spouse, as a result of a decision by the authority competent authority of the country of origin, provided that the law of that country recognizes to the adopted rights and duties identical to those of natural filiation and which the decision is recognized by Portugal;</li><li>• The <b>children older than 18 years old</b>, provided that they are <b>financially dependent of the main visa applicant</b> and/or his/her spouse, and provided that they are <b>single</b> and are <b>studying at an educational institution in Portugal</b>;</li><li>• The <b>children older than 18 years old</b>, provided that they are <b>financially dependent of the main visa applicant</b> and/or his/her spouse, and provided that they are <b>single</b> and are <b>they are studying</b>, as long as the holder of the right to family reunion is the bearer of</li></ul>



a residence permit issued under the article 90.<sup>o</sup>-A (Decree-Law no. 90/2022, of 30th December);

- The **direct ascendants (parents) of the main applicant or the direct ascendants (parents) of his/her spouse**, as long as they **financially dependent on the applicant** (or financially dependent on the spouse);
- **Siblings of the main applicant, as long as they are minors and are under the guardianship of the main applicant**, in accordance with the decision made by the competent authority of the country of origin and as long as this decision is recognized by Portugal.

As for any residence visa, D6 visa grants two entries in Portugal to the visa holder, being valid for a period of 4 months (120 days). During that period, the visa holder is required to apply for a residency permit with the competent Portuguese authorities (AIMA): <https://aima.gov.pt/pt/viver/autorizacao-de-residencia-regime-e-requisitos-gerais-art-o-77-o-n-o-1>

<b><u>REQUIRED DOCUMENTS</u></b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
<p><b>If not otherwise noted</b>, submittal of copies of the original document are sufficient. Please note that the Consular Section of the Embassy of Portugal in New Delhi does not return original documents if you do not provide a copy.</p> <p><b>Please mark on the right column if you submitted the document / form or not</b></p>		
<p><b><u>Portuguese visa original application form</u> duly filled in and signed by the applicant.</b></p> <p>The visa application form is free of charge and can be downloaded from the website: <a href="https://vistos.mne.gov.pt/images/formulario_visto_nacional_en.pdf">https://vistos.mne.gov.pt/images/formulario_visto_nacional_en.pdf</a></p> <p>Each applicant shall submit a complete and signed application form individually. <b>Please submit all pages of the application form.</b></p>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p><b><u>Valid national passport:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Issued within the last 10 years and with at least 3 months validity after the scheduled return.</li> <li>• Passports with observations regarding the front data page (biographical data) will not be accepted.</li> <li>• Passports must have at least two empty pages to affix visa.</li> <li>• Handwritten passports or passports that contains a manual entry made after 01/04/2010 where the biographical data (name, place, date of birth and sex) were changed will not be accepted.</li> <li>• Applicants from Bangladesh and Sri Lanka whose holders need their passports to travel back to their countries must submit a copy in colours of the biographical data page. This copy must not have stamps covering the information of the biographical data page.</li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p><b><u>Proof of legal residence</u></b> (only If the applicant is not a national of India, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Nepal, Sri Lanka and the Maldives, please note that evidence of his/her legal residence in any of these countries (residence permit) must be submitted).</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



<p><b><u>2 passport size pictures:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• White background, not older than 6 months (size 35-40 mm in width, not copied or scanned picture).</li> <li>• One picture must be pasted on the application.</li> <li>• One picture has to be clipped on the last page of the passport. Stappled or pinned pictures cannot be accepted.</li> <li>• For more details refer to: <a href="https://www.icao.int/Security/mrtd/Downloads/Technical%20Reports/Annex_A-Photograph_Guidelines.pdf">https://www.icao.int/Security/mrtd/Downloads/Technical%20Reports/Annex_A-Photograph_Guidelines.pdf</a></li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p><b><u>Travel Insurance with proof/receipt of payment insurance (BOTH ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS)</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Please refer to the list of approved Indian travel insurances: <a href="https://www.vfsglobal.com/one-pager/portugal/india/english/pdf/TRAVEL-MEDICAL.pdf">https://www.vfsglobal.com/one-pager/portugal/india/english/pdf/TRAVEL-MEDICAL.pdf</a></li> <li>• Applicants from outside India, should get their travel insurances in their country of residence.</li> <li>• Minimum coverage of 30,000 Euro / 50,000 USD / 50,000 CHF per person.</li> <li>• Coverage of all expenses which might arise in connection with repatriation for medical reasons, urgent medical attention and/or emergency hospital treatment.</li> <li>• The insurance has to cover the entire stay in Portugal.</li> <li>• The document must be original and should have a QR code to be verified, in order to be considered valid.</li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p><b><u>Criminal Record issued by the competent authority (is only considered valid up to three months after the date of issuance)</u></b> of the country of the applicant's nationality or of the country where the applicant has resided for over a year. <b><u>ORIGINAL is mandatory (Copies are not accepted).</u></b></p> <p>Please note:</p> <p>a. <b><u>Applicants from India or Indian nationals:</u></b> the Police Clearance Certificate (PCC) issued from the nearest Regional Passport Office. This document must be apostilled (Hague Apostille). For further information, kindly check the official information provided by the Indian authorities: <a href="https://www.mea.gov.in/apostille-menu.htm">https://www.mea.gov.in/apostille-menu.htm</a></p> <p>b. <b><u>Applicants from Nepal, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, Bhutan and the Maldives:</u></b> the Police Clearance Certificate must be legalised previously by both the correspondent Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the respective embassy in New Delhi (<i>document must be legalised already at the moment of submitting the application</i>).</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p><b><u>SPECIFIC D6 DOCUMENTS</u></b></p> <p><b>If not otherwise noted</b>, submittal of copies of the original document are sufficient. Please note that the Consular Section of the Embassy of Portugal in New Delhi does not return original documents if you do not provide a copy.</p>		



<p><b>Notification issued by the Agency for Integration, Migration and Asylum (AIMA) regarding the approval of the family reunification.</b></p> <p>The D6 family reunification visa application must be submitted within the deadline 90 days following the date of issuing of the notification by AIMA. Failure to submit the D6 visa application within this period implies the expiry of the decision to recognize the right to family reunification.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p><b><u>Proof of the family affiliation invoked:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Birth certificate/marriage certificate (ORIGINALS</b> to be submitted, duly attested, at VFS, which will take a copy locally and forward it to the Embassy, so that applicants may retain the original certificates).</li> </ul> <p><b>Documents issued by the Indian authorities need to be attested first by competent State / Union Territory Department where the document was issued; and then by the Ministry of External Affairs of India with the Hague Apostille. Check info about the official procedure here: <a href="https://bit.ly/3LZv7YF">https://bit.ly/3LZv7YF</a></b></p> <p><u>The documents issued in India are only considered valid if they are duly legalized with the Hague Apostille. The documents issued by the authorities of Bhutan, Bangladesh, Nepal, Sri Lanka or the Maldives, have to be legalized and attested previously by the correspondent Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the respective embassy in New Delhi in order to be considered valid.</u></p> <p>Regarding Nepalese civil registration certificates included in visa application submission and attestation processes, VFS will only accept original birth and marriage certificates, and not "substitute" declarations.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p><b><u>In case of MINORS:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>If the minor is travelling with only one parent</b>, written consent (<b><u>travel authorization letter - ORIGINAL</u></b>)certified by public notary of the other parent or guardian,except in cases of a parent having sole custody or guardianship of the minor, in which case a court order or other proof of sole custody or guardianship must be provided.</li> <li>• <b>If the minor travels alone (without parents)</b>, written consent (<b><u>travel authorization letter – ORIGINAL</u></b>) certified by public notary, of both parents or guardianshaving custody or guardianship of the minor.</li> <li>• <b>Copy of identification document(s)</b> (with signature and</li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/>  <input type="checkbox"/>  <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>  <input type="checkbox"/>  <input type="checkbox"/>



photograph) <b>of the parent(s)/guardians having custody/guardianship of the applicant.</b>		
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**Additional documents the applicant wants to submit (please note that VFS is not authorized to refuse acceptance of documents the applicant wants to submit but are not mentioned on the checklist):**

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**General remarks of the Consular Section of the Embassy of Portugal in New Delhi:**

- Submission of the above-mentioned mandatory documents does not guarantee that a visa is granted. The required documents must be submitted with the visa application (documents sent through e-mail or post to the Embassy of Portugal in New Delhi are not accepted, unless if required).
- The Consular Section of the Embassy of Portugal in New Delhi reserves the right to ask for additional documents and/or for a personal interview. The Consular Section of the Embassy of Portugal in New Delhi is not however obliged to ask for submittal of documents already mentioned on this list before denying an application.
- Submission of incomplete documentation may result in the rejection of an application.
- Please note that the standard processing time of a D6 visa starts counting **only** when the application reaches the Consular Section of the Embassy of Portugal in New Delhi (the visa application will need up to two working days to reach the Consular Section Embassy of Portugal in New Delhi) and that public holidays of the Embassy of Portugal in New Delhi as announced on its website will not count as working days.
- This period can be prolonged by the Consular Section of the Embassy of Portugal in New Delhi if deemed necessary for a personal interview, scrutiny of bank documents and/or verification of any other supporting documents, among other reasons.
- Visa applications should be submitted in advance to ensure time for competent authorities to deliver a decision.
- A booked flight ticket does not result in a preferred processing of the application.
- All documents, forms and declarations must be submitted either in Portuguese or English. All documents, forms and declarations not in Portuguese or English have to be submitted with proper Portuguese or English translation. Failing to provide proper translation will result in the document, form or declaration considered "missing".
- The refusal of the visa application does not entail the reimbursement of the visa fees.
- Consult the legislation in force at the following hyperlink: <https://vistos.mne.gov.pt/en/national-visas/national-legislation>

**Declaration of the visa applicant (to be signed by the parent(s) submitting the application if applicant is a minor)**



I have taken note of the general and special remarks as mentioned on this checklist.  
I have been informed that VFS Global does not have any influence on the decision about a visa application and only the information provided by the Consular Section of the Embassy of Portugal in New Delhi must be taken as official.

I confirm that the VFS officer has noted all documents submitted by me and that I want the application in its present form to be forwarded to the Consular Section of the Embassy of Portugal in New Delhi.

I am aware that original documents not submitted with a copy will be kept by the Consular Section of the Embassy of Portugal in New Delhi.

**Date:**

**Name, Surname of the applicant:**

**Passport number:**

**Signature of the applicant:**

**Confirmation of VFS on the day of submittal**

**Date of submittal:** \_\_\_\_\_

**VFS VAC in** \_\_\_\_\_

Application submitted:

I confirm that above this checklist has been filled out together with and signed in front of me by the applicant at today's appointment at the above VAC.

**VFS Officer Full Name:** .....

**Signature:** .....