

RESIDENCE VISA FOR INDEPENDENT PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITY OR MIGRANT ENTREPRENEURS AND STARTUP VISA PROGRAM (D2)

https://vistos.mne.gov.pt/pt/vistos-nacionais/documentacao-instrutoria/residencia#exerc%C3%ADcio-de-ati-vidade-profissional-independente-ou-para-imigrantes-empreendedores

Applicant's name and surname:		
Email address: Direct phone contact:		
Reason for traveling to Portugal:		
GENERAL REQUIREMENTS		
	YES	NO
National Visa application form , filled and duly signed by applicant (for minors and incapacitated, forms should be signed by the legal guardian) - see here		
2 Photos, even, passport type, recent and in good condition to identify the applicant.		
Personal statement explaining the reason(s) for applying for a National Visa to Portugal, which should reference address of stay and sources of income, if applicable.		
Passport valid for 3 months after the end of the requested visa (120 days). Photocopy of passport (biographic page)		
Proof of regular situation in case of residence in a country other than the country of current nationality - UK Residence permit (if applicable), endorsed in the passport, issued as a biometrics card, or digital share code, valid beyond the date of expiry of the visa (120 days).		
Travel insurance valid for the duration of the visa (120 days), starting from the date the applicant intends to arrive in Portugal, and covering necessary medical expenses, including urgent medical assistance and possible <u>repatriation</u> . British nationals may present the S1 Form (stamped at the bottom by the relevant authority) as proof of valid travel insurance.		
Criminal record certificate, issued within the past 3 months by the competent authority of the country of the applicant's nationality or of the country where the applicant has resided for over a year, with the Hague Apostille or legalised. Only the <u>ACRO</u> certificate, with the Hague Apostille, can be accepted as a UK Criminal Record Certificate. The Hague Apostille for UK public documents can be obtained through the Legalization Office: https://www.gov.uk/get-document-legalised		
 Proof of accommodation in Portugal for a minimum of 1 year, from intended date of arrival in Portugal: Deeds of property in Portugal in the name of the applicant; or Rental agreement of property in Portugal and proof of registration of rental agreement with the relevant tax authorities (AT); or 		

 Term of responsibility filled and signed by host/institution. When sponsored by a private citizen, the term of responsibility must also be accompanied with a copy of the host's passport/ID, Portuguese residence permit (if applicable), property deeds/rental agreement with the host's name, notarised authorization from the landlord and identification document of the landlord (if authorization is required for guests). The Term of Responsibility concerning the conditions of stay within Portuguese territory will only be accepted if the subscriber's signature is duly recognized by a Notary that serves the sponsor's legal area of residence. 			
Proof of financial resources/means of subsistence (https://vistos.mne.gov.pt/en/national-visas/necessary-documentation/means-of-subsistence): • Last 3 months of bank statements, showing an available bank balance equal or superior to the Portuguese minimum monthly salary, multiplied by the number of months the applicant intends to stay in Portugal (up to 12 months); or • Term of responsibility filled and signed by sponsor/institution, which guarantees food and accommodation for the visa applicant, as well as the replacement of removal costs, in case of irregular stay. When sponsored by a private citizen, the term of responsibility must also be accompanied by a copy of the host's passport/ID, Portuguese residence permit (if applicable), last 3 months of bank statements and latest Income Tax Return (IRS) of the subscriber (if applicable). The Term of Responsibility concerning the conditions of stay within Portuguese territory will only be accepted if the subscriber's signature is duly recognized by a Notary that serves the sponsor's legal area of residence. For the purposes of proof of financial resources/means of subsistence the means derived from a work contract, or promise of work contract, can be considered, but applicants must still provide an available bank balance equal to at least one Portuguese minimum monthly salary.			
SPECIFIC DOCUMENTS			
 Independent Work Activity: Registered Business in Portugal and/or a proposal or a service contract with a Portuguese entity. If applicable, a declaration issued by the authorities responsible for verifying the requirements for exercising a profession which, in Portugal, is subject to special qualifications. 			
 Migrant Entrepreneur: Declaration from the applicant of having carried out or of the intention of carrying out an investment operation in Portugal, indicating its nature, value, and duration; and, Proof of having carried out investment operations; or Proof of financial means available in Portugal, including those obtained through a financial institution in Portugal, and of the intention to carry out an investment operation in Portuguese territory, duly described and identified. 			
Startup Visa Program:			

Declaration from IAPMEI (Agency for Competitiveness and Innovation, I.P.), proving that an incubation contract has been signed with a certified incubator, under the terms of the legislation. CPLP MOBILITY AGREEMENT CPLP citizens (from Brazil, Angola, Mozambique, Cape Verde, Guinea-Bissau, São Tomé and Príncipe, East Timor and Equatorial Guinea), are exempted from presenting: travel insurance, return transport ticket, specific documents CPLP citizens are also exempt from presenting evidence of means of subsistence upon presentation of a term of responsibility recognised by a notary, in the following terms: a) Presentation of a term signed by the host entity for interns or workers, П or by the organization responsible for student exchange or volunteer programs, or b) Presentation of a term of responsibility, signed by a Portuguese citizen or a foreign citizen, with a residence permit in Portugal, which guarantees food and accommodation for the visa applicant, as well as the replacement of removal costs, in case of irregular stay, accompanied by a copy of the sponsor's passport/ID., residence permit (if applicable), last 3 months of bank statements and most recent IRS declaration (if applicable).

Notes:

- A Residence Visa is for applicants that wish to stay in Portugal for more than 1 year. The applicant will initially be granted a visa valid for 120 days with up to two entrances into Portugal, followed by an appointment with AIMA in Portugal, to acquire a Residence Permit. More information regarding Residence Permits can be found in the following link: https://aima.gov.pt/pt/viver/autorizacao-de-residencia-regime-e-requisitos-gerais-art-o-77-o-n-o-1 (The Consulate has no say or control over AIMA appointments for Residence Permit, and for more information regarding the required documents or rescheduling, applicants should reach out to AIMA directly.)
- A Residence visa application can take 60 days for a decision, but an extended period of analysis may be requested in justified circumstances: https://vistos.mne.gov.pt/en/national-visas/general-infor-mation/deadlines
- All work contracts or promissory work contracts should be duly registered with the relevant authorities
 and include: the identification, signatures and domicile of both parties; worker's activity and corresponding remuneration, place and normal working period; work start date and end date (if applicable);
 mention of vacation days and food allowance (if applicable); Christmas and holiday allowance (if applicable).
- All public documents must be legalized per conventions in place, including, but not limited to, Civil Registry documentation, such as marriage and birth certificates, Criminal Record Certificates, professional certificates and diplomas. This legalization can be made through the Apostille (if applicable) or by utilizing the relevant Portuguese Consulate/service that serves the place of origin of the document in question: https://portaldascomunidades.mne.gov.pt/pt/rede-consular. Public documents from the United Kingdom, including the Criminal Record Certificate (ACRO) and Civil Registry documentation, must be legalized through the Apostille, which can be obtained from the Legalization Office: https://www.gov.uk/get-document-legalised. Certified translations are also required for documents not written in English or Portuguese.
- The Term of Responsibility concerning the conditions of stay within Portuguese territory will only be accepted if the subscriber's signature is duly recognized by a Notary that serves the sponsor's legal area of residence.
- Failure to submit all the necessary documents may lead to the rejection of the visa application.

•	The Consular Post reserves the right to request documents other than those mentioned above whenever deemed convenient. Even if all the requested documents are presented, it doesn't imply the automatic granting of the visa. Refusal of the visa application shall not entitle to a reimbursement of the visa fee. Consult the legislation in force in https://vistos.mne.gov.pt/en/national-visas/national-legislation Financial resources: Ordinance nº 1563 /2007, of the 6th of December
Remarks	(to be filled by the relevant officer responsible for receiving the application):