

RESIDENCE VISA FOR RESEARCH, STUDY, HIGHER EDUCATION, STUDENTS EXCHANGE, INTERNSHIPS AND VOLUNTARY WORK (D4)

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Applicant's name and surname:		
Reason for traveling to Portugal:		
Email address:	Mobile:	
GENERAL REQUIREMENTS		
	YES	NO
National Visa application form fully completed and duly signed by the applicant. For minors or legally incapacitated applicants, the form must be signed by both parents or by the legal guardian.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2 Photos , passport type, recent, and in good condition, to identify the applicant.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Passport must be valid for at least 90 days beyond the 120-day residence visa period, counted from the applicant's intended date of entry into Portugal. A photocopy of the biographical data page must also be included.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Proof of regular status (if applicable) residence permit for the United Kingdom endorsed in the passport, issued as a biometric card (BRP) or as a digital share-code. The document must be valid for at least 120 days beyond the applicant's intended date of entry into Portugal.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Valid travel insurance must cover necessary medical expenses, including urgent medical assistance and potential repatriation, for the full duration of the residence visa (120 days), counted from the applicant's intended date of entry into Portugal. British nationals who meet the criteria may apply for an S1 form which must be duly certified by the relevant authorities.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Criminal record certificate (for applicants aged 16 and over) issued within the last 90 days by the competent authority of the applicant's country of residence in the past year, duly legalised by Hague Apostille or, where applicable, by the competent Portuguese diplomatic authority. Applicants who have resided in the U.K. during the past year must provide a police certificate issued by the ACRO Criminal Records Office . This document must be legalised with the Hague Apostille, obtained through the UK Legalisation Office .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Personal statement must be signed by the applicant and include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A clear explanation of the reason(s) for the application. • The full address of the applicant's accommodation in Portugal, including the postcode. • Details of the conditions for the intended stay. 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Proof of financial resources may be demonstrated through one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bank statements for the last three months, showing a minimum available balance of at least €920 for each month of the intended stay; or • A term of responsibility signed by the workers' reception entity. The signature must be duly certified by a Notary, Lawyer or Solicitor. The Term of Responsibility must be accompanied by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ A copy of the sponsor's passport or ID, and Portuguese residence permit (if applicable). ○ Bank statements for the last three months of the sponsor. 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Note: For the purposes of proving financial means, income derived from an employment contract or promissory employment contract, grants, or scholarships will be considered. However, applicants must still demonstrate an available bank balance of at least €920.		

<p>Exemptions: Please consult the relevant section based on the specific reason for your stay.</p>		
<p>Proof of accommodation in Portugal may be demonstrated through one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deeds of property in Portugal in the applicant’s name; or • A rental agreement for a property in Portugal, with a minimum duration of 12 months from the intended date of arrival in Portugal, along with proof of its registration with the relevant Portuguese tax authorities; or • A term of responsibility, completed and signed by the host in Portugal. The host’s signature must be duly certified by a Notary, Lawyer or Solicitor accompanied by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ A copy of the host’s passport or ID, and Portuguese residence permit (if applicable). ○ The host’s property deeds or rental agreement in their name, confirming ownership or lawful use of the property. ○ Notarised authorisation issued by the landlord, together with a copy of the landlord’s identification document (where authorisation for accommodation of third parties is required). <p>Note: Other accommodation types and durations may be accepted for students and interns, including confirmed hotel, or short-term bookings covering a minimum period of one month from the applicant’s intended date of arrival in Portugal, subject to assessment of the full set of documents submitted.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
SPECIFIC DOCUMENTS		
<p>Research purposes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Employment contract or hosting agreement with the research centre or university; or • Letter of acceptance from the research centre or the higher education institution and proof of scholarship or research grant; or • Term of responsibility signed by the research centre or University to cover admission and living costs – the signature must be duly certified by a Notary, Lawyer, or Solicitor. <p>Researchers admitted to a research centre or higher education institution officially recognized under the terms of the legislation in force (Article 91-B of Law 23/2007) are exempt from presenting health insurance or equivalent, employment contract or convention, travel insurance and means of subsistence.</p> <p>Whenever the applicant is the beneficiary of a study or research grant, he is exempt from presenting the document proving admission, as well as proof of sufficient means of subsistence, provided he informs the Consular Post of this fact.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Higher education purposes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proof of admission or acceptance to a recognised higher education institution for a study programme, together with evidence of sufficient financial means to pursue the programme. <p>Exemptions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students admitted to a higher education institution officially recognised under the applicable legislation (Article 91-B of Law 23/2007) are not required to provide health insurance, evidence of admission conditions, travel insurance, or proof of means of subsistence. • Students holding a scholarship, including scholarships awarded by Camões – Instituto da Cooperação e da Língua, are exempt from providing proof of admission and evidence of sufficient means of subsistence. • Third-country nationals from Portuguese-speaking countries are exempt from proof of means of subsistence when admitted to a recognised higher education institution. 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Secondary or Professional Education purposes:</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proof of admission in a recognized education program equivalent to levels 2 and 3 of the international standard education classification, in a student exchange program or through individual admission to an educational project conducted by a recognized educational establishment. • Must be 14 to 21 years of age. • Proof of hosting by a family or having secured accommodation in suitable facilities, within the educational establishment or elsewhere. • Proof of admission to a course of qualification levels 4 or 5 of the National Qualifications Framework (QNQ) or training courses provided by educational or vocational training establishments, provided they have means of subsistence, travel insurance and health insurance. <p>In the case of student exchange, proof of means of subsistence can be carried out by submitting a term of responsibility issued by the organisation responsible for the student exchange programme, duly certified by a Notary, Lawyer or Solicitor.</p> <p>All students who are recipients of a scholarship awarded by Camões – Instituto da Cooperação e da Língua are exempt from providing proof of admission and evidence of sufficient means of subsistence.</p>		
<p>For internship purposes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Letter of acceptance for the internship by the certified host institution, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Proof of practical and theoretical training, in the field of studies obtained, or ongoing, of the applicant. ○ Description of the internship program, including objectives and learning components. ○ Duration and schedule of the internship. ○ Location and supervising conditions. ○ The legal status of the intern within the host institution. ○ A statement that the internship does not constitute a replacement for a professional post, and acknowledgement of responsibility for the payment, by the host institution, of living costs and removal in case of illegal stay. <p>For proof of means of subsistence, it can be done through the presentation of a term of responsibility issued by the organization responsible for the internship, duly certified by a Notary, Lawyer, or Solicitor.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>For volunteer work purposes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contract for the volunteering program, provided by the certified host institution, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Description of the volunteering program. ○ Duration and schedule of the volunteering program. ○ Location and supervising conditions. ○ Document outlining the conditions of the program, guaranteeing the coverage of food and accommodation expenses, including a minimum amount of subsistence allowance or pocket money. ○ Subscription of civil liability insurance by the host entity, except in the case of volunteers participating in the European Voluntary Service. <p>For proof of means of subsistence, it can be done through the presentation of a term of responsibility issued by the organization responsible for the volunteering program, duly certified by a Notary, Lawyer, or Solicitor.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS FOR MINORS		
<p>Travel of unaccompanied minors</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unabridged birth certificate showing the names of the biological parents, duly legalised. If the certificate is not in English or Portuguese, a certified translation is required. • Original passports of both parents, along with a photocopy of the biodata page. If the parents are not present and it is not possible to provide the originals, certified copies of the passports may be submitted instead. 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter of consent from both parents, or legal guardian. <p>In cases of sole custody, one of the following must be provided:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Birth certificate showing only the custodial parent (in English or Portuguese), duly legalised. or Death certificate of the deceased parent (in English or Portuguese), duly legalised. or Court order granting sole custody (in English or Portuguese). <p>When minors are not travelling with both parents or are travelling with a third party, a travel authorisation from the non-accompanying parent or from both parents, with a notarised signature, or a court order (where applicable), must be provided.</p>		
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RESIDENCE VISA FOR RESEARCH, STUDY, HIGHER EDUCATION, STUDENTS EXCHANGE, INTERNSHIPS AND VOLUNTARY WORK – CPLP MOBILITY AGREEMENT

<p>CPLP citizens (from Brazil, Angola, Mozambique, Cape Verde, Guinea-Bissau, São Tomé and Príncipe, East Timor and Equatorial Guinea), are exempted from presenting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> travel insurance. specific documents. <p>CPLP citizens are also exempt from presenting evidence of means of subsistence upon presentation of a term of responsibility recognised by a Notary, Lawyer or Solicitor in the following terms:</p> <p>a) Presentation of a term with a recognized signature issued by the host entity for interns or workers, as well as by the organization responsible for student exchange or volunteer programs; or,</p> <p>b) Presentation of a term of responsibility, with a recognized signature, 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.</p> <p>i. Income Tax Return (IRS) of the subscriber (last year available); and</p> <p>ii. Bank statements of the subscriber (last 3 months).</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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<p>Residence Visa – Key Information</p> <p>Purpose and Validity</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Intended for applicants wishing to stay in Portugal for over 1 year. Initial validity: 120 days, allowing up to two entries into Portugal. After arrival, the applicant must attend an AIMA appointment in Portugal to obtain a residence permit. The Consulate-General does not schedule or reschedule AIMA appointments; applicants must contact AIMA directly. More information: AIMA - Residence Permits. <p>Processing Time</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Standard processing time: 60 days. Extended processing may be requested where justified. More information: MNE - National Visas Deadlines. <p>Work Documentation</p> <p>All employment contracts or promissory employment contracts must comply with Article 5 of the Portuguese Labour Code and must include the following elements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Full identification, signatures, and domicile of both parties, including the company’s Collective Person Identification Number (NIPC), where applicable. Explicit reference to the intended work visa, residence permit, or authorised stay in Portugal. Description of the employer’s economic activity. Description of the employee’s role and corresponding remuneration, which must be above the Portuguese national minimum wage, including indication of payment periodicity and method. Place of work and normal working hours. Start date of employment (which must be at least 15 days after submission of the visa application) and end date, where applicable. Reference to annual leave entitlement and meal allowance, where applicable. Reference to Christmas and holiday allowances, where applicable. <p>All employment contracts must be signed by the employee and by a duly authorised representative of the employer. The employer’s signature must be formally certified by a Notary, Registry Office, Solicitor, Lawyer, or Chamber of Commerce.</p>
