

Applicant Name _____
Email Address _____
Purpose of Visit _____
Departure Date _____
Phone Number _____
Address _____

	Portugal Residency D Visa	Yes	No
	General Documentation		
1	Official form; Visa application completely filled and duly signed by applicant		
2	Passport or additional travel document valid for 3 months after the duration of the stay The original passport must be submitted for identity verification and will be returned within 5 business days. The original passport will need to be resubmitted once the visa is approved. (Please note the passport must have 2 blank pages consecutive front and back)		
3	Two passport photos; A recent color photograph (35mm x 45mm) up-to-date and with enough quality to identify the applicant;		
4	Valid travel insurance, allowing medical coverage, including medical emergencies and repatriation; Proof of Health Insurance that covers medical expenses in Portugal		
5	Proof of being in a regular situation when from a different nationality than that of the country where the visa is being applied for; Proof and copy of residency status in the United States (Green card, Employment Authorization Card, United States Visa)		
6	Personal Statement; Statement signed by applicant specifying reason for settling in Portugal, intended area of residency and type of accommodations (rental, purchase of private property, or family home)		
7	Request for criminal record enquiry by the Immigration and Border Services (SEF); Permission to the Department of Borders and Customs to obtain criminal record from Portugal		
8	Criminal record certificate; Issued from the country of origin or the country where the applicant is residing for over a year (children under the age of 16 are exempt from producing a criminal record); issued by the FBI; This document must be requested with an apostille or remain unopened in original sealed envelope. https://www.fbi.gov/about-us/cjis/background-checks/background_checks		
9	Proof of accommodation; Lease agreement signed, or letter from inviting institution, or declaration from family member residing in Portugal. Hotel/Airbnb reservations may be admitted, but they will have to be long stay.		
10	Proof of means of subsistence as stipulated by law ; 3 months Bank statements (electronic print outs are accepted must be full statements for each month); Proof of Pension is also accepted Proof of subsistence means can be made through a statement of responsibility, signed by a Portuguese national or by a foreign national legally resident in Portugal.		

	Specific documentation related to the purpose of the stay	Yes	No
	<p>To preempt possible additional requests, we recommend adding the following elements at the onset of the application:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Número de Identificação Fiscal (NIF) / Tax Identification Number; • Permanent Domicile – Twelve month lease with duly registered landlord or proof of purchase of habitable property. Or, in absence of these, notarized “Termo de Responsabilidade” (responsibility letter) by the sponsoring host; • Portuguese Bank account summary. 		
	General Documentation		
1	<p><u>Subordinate work activity</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Work contract, work promise or demonstration of interest; <input type="checkbox"/> Declaration issued by the Portuguese Employment and Training Institute (IEFP) (*); <input type="checkbox"/> Professional certificate, when such profession is regulated in Portugal. <input type="checkbox"/> To determine means of subsistence: means obtained through a work contract or work contract promise should be taken into consideration. <input type="checkbox"/> Proof of means of subsistence can be produced through a statement of responsibility issued by the workers hosting entity. 		
2	<p><u>Independent work activity or migrant entrepreneur</u></p> <p>Independent Professional Activity:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Contract or written service provider proposal for liberal professions; and, if applicable, a declaration by competent authorities certifying professional competence for the referred activity; <p>Migrants Entrepreneurs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Investment operations executed; <input type="checkbox"/> Proof of financial means available in Portugal, including those obtained through a financial institution in Portugal, and proof, by any means, of intention to invest in Portuguese territory; or, <input type="checkbox"/> Declaration issued by the Agency for Competition and Innovation (IAPMEI), certifying the signing of an incubation contract with a certified incubator, in accordance with Article 6º of Normative Order n.º 4/2018 of the Minister of Economy, of 2 February that regulates the «Startup Visa» Program. 		

3	<p>Teaching purposes, highly qualified or cultural activity, or highly qualified subordinate activity Professorial activity, highly qualified activity and cultural activity (art. 61.º):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Work contract, work promise or service provider contract; or, <input type="checkbox"/> An invitation letter issued by a higher education institution or professional training institution; or, <input type="checkbox"/> Statement of responsibility provided by a certified company as stipulated by law; or, <input type="checkbox"/> An invitation letter issued by a company or institute developing a relevant cultural activity, in the Portuguese territory, recognized by the government agency responsible for cultural activities, or as stipulated by law; or, <input type="checkbox"/> An invitation letter issued by a research center; <input type="checkbox"/> To determine means of subsistence: means obtained through a work contract or work contract promise should be taken into consideration. Proof of means of subsistence can be made through a statement of responsibility signed by the workers hosting entity. <p>Subordinate highly qualified activity (art. 61.º-A):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Valid work contract or work promise, for a minimum period of one year and for a salary of 1,5 times de annual gross salary, or three times the indexed value for social welfare support (IAS); <input type="checkbox"/> Professional certificate, when required, for regulated highly qualified professions, as stipulated by Law n.º 9/2009, 4 March, or specific legislation referring to the recognition of professional qualifications necessary for the profession mentioned on the work contract or work promise; <input type="checkbox"/> A professional certificate, in the case of unregulated professions, adequate for the referred field of work or sector stipulated in the work contract or the work promise. For work-related activities in the 1st and 2nd international category types (CITP) groups, as stipulated by the Council of Ministers, and following the opinion of the Permanent Commission for Social Harmonization (CPCS). For professional activities considered particularly in need for professionals from third countries, de minimum salary should (Article 1, a)) correspond to 1,2 times de annual gross salary, or two times the indexed value for social welfare support (IAS); 		
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4	<p><u>Research, study, higher education students exchange, internships and volunteer work</u></p> <p>Research purposes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> work contract or agreement with the research center or university, letter of acceptance by the research center or university scholarship or research stipend or statement of responsibility signed by the research center or university to cover admission and living costs. <input type="checkbox"/> Researchers that have been admitted to officially recognized research centers or universities are exempt from producing any health insurance or similar, work contract or agreement, travel insurance or means of subsistence. <input type="checkbox"/> To determine means of subsistence: means obtained through grants or scholarships should be taken into consideration. Proof of means of subsistence will not be necessary when the applicant benefits from a scholarship or research grant. Researchers admitted to officially recognized research or higher education centers (Article 91º-B Law 23/2007) are exempt from providing proof of means of subsistence. <p>Higher education purposes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Fulfills admission criteria or has been accepted to university for a study program and has sufficient resources to attend such program. Students that have been admitted to an officially recognized university are exempt from producing any health insurance or similar, proof of compliance with admission criteria or acceptance to the university, travel insurance or means of subsistence. <input type="checkbox"/> Document issued by the higher education institution certifying admission or eligibility for admission. This document is waived when benefiting from a scholarship. <input type="checkbox"/> To determine means of subsistence: means obtained through grants or scholarships should be taken into consideration. Students benefiting from a scholarship are exempt to provide proof of means of subsistence, as well as nationals from Portuguese-speaking countries. <p>Secondary Education purposes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Proof of acceptance in high school; respect the maximum age limit set by law; proof of host family or of adequate housing, for the duration of the stay. These documents will not be necessary when benefiting from a scholarship from the Instituto Camões. <input type="checkbox"/> To determine means of subsistence: means obtained through grants or scholarships should be taken into consideration. In the case of student exchange, proof of means of subsistence can be made through a statement of responsibility issued by the organization in charge of student exchange programs. <p>For internship purposes:</p> <p>Proof of internship acceptance by the certified host institution, proof of practical and theoretical training in the field of studies obtained or ongoing, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Description of the training program, including objectives and learning components; <input type="checkbox"/> Duration and schedule for training; <input type="checkbox"/> Location and supervising conditions; <input type="checkbox"/> The legal status of the intern within the host institution; <input type="checkbox"/> A statement that internship does not constitute a replacement for a professional post and acknowledgement of responsibility of payment by the host institution of living costs and removal in case of illegal stay. <input type="checkbox"/> To determine means of subsistence: means obtained through grants or scholarships should be taken into consideration. Proof of means of subsistence can be made through a statement of responsibility issued by the entity hosting interns. <p>For volunteer work purposes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Proof of contract with host institution responsible for the volunteer program, including a description of content and duration of program, schedule, supervising conditions, and living costs guarantee (housing and food), including a minimum living stipend or per diem; subscription of civil liability insurance except for volunteers participating in the European Volunteer Service. 		

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5	<u>Family reunification</u> <input type="checkbox"/> Notification of family reunification authorization by the Immigration and Border Services (SEF); <input type="checkbox"/> Proof of family relationship: birth certificate or marriage certificate; <input type="checkbox"/> Minors or unfit persons require a travel authorization by the parents or legal guardian.		
6	<u>Fixed residency for retirement purposes, religious purposes or people living out from individual revenues</u> For religious purposes: <input type="checkbox"/> Certificate from the church or congregation they belong to, as long as such church or congregation is recognized by the Portuguese legal system. For retirement purposes: <input type="checkbox"/> Document certifying retirement amount. For people living out from personal revenue: <input type="checkbox"/> Document certifying revenue from movable and immovable property; intellectual or financial assets.		

Applicant Signature: _____

VFS Officer Signature: _____