

## Portugal – Residency - Checklist for Long Stay (type D)

Visas are issued to persons who intend to resettle permanently in Portugal for:

- a) Retirement
- b) Independent living
- c) To establish independent business
- d) To set up investments
- e) To establish themselves as independent professionals in their field
- f) To Work Remotely while receiving income from the US

**Note:**

All residency visas are valid for a period of 120 calendar days. Once in Portugal, all residency visa holders need to report to the nearest office of the *Serviço de Estrangeiros e Fronteiras* to apply for a Permanent Residency Card

**DOCUMENTS MUST BE SORTED AS PER THIS CHECKLIST & DON'T STAPLE THE DOCUMENTS**

No	REQUIREMENTS	YES	NO
1	Completely filled out Visa application duly signed by applicant		
2	2 recent <b>color photographs (2X2)</b> must accompany the application form		
3	<b>Certified copies of passport</b> or official travel document valid for at least 3 months beyond date of intended stay in Portugal. The original passport must be submitted once the visa is approved		
4	<b>Original passport collected by the VAC staffs?</b>		
5	<b>Correct Consular fee must be paid via Money Order/Banker/Cashier check. It should be made in favor of the following:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If applications are submitted to the VFS Center in Washington DC then Money order/Banker or Cashier check must be payable to "Embassy of Portugal".</li> <li>If applications are submitted to the VFS Center in San Francisco then Money order/Banker or Cashier check must be payable to "Portuguese Consulate".</li> </ol> <b>Applications received with incorrect payments will not be accepted.</b>		
6	If not a US citizen, proof of legal status <u>copy front and back</u> (green card, US visa, advance parole etc.). Specify: _____		
7	<b>Personal Statement:</b> 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)		
8	<b>Confirmed Accommodation:</b> from the inviting institution if on campus or confirmed hotel reservations, stating name, address and telephone number of the hotel, including confirmation number		
9	<b>Proof of financial support:</b> Bank statements (electronic print outs are accepted); Proof of Pension is also accepted.		
10	<b>Criminal Record Certificate</b> (for applicants older than 15), <b>issued by the FBI; This document must be requested with an apostille</b> <a href="http://www.fbi.gov/about-us/cjis/background-checks/background_checks">http://www.fbi.gov/about-us/cjis/background-checks/background_checks</a>		
11	<b>Permission to the Department of Borders and Customs to obtain criminal record from Portugal</b>		
12	<b>Copy of marriage certificate and children's birth certificate</b> (in case of a family).		
13	<b>Proof of Health Insurance that covers medical expenses in Portugal</b>		
14	<b>Money Order or Cashier's Check in the amount of \$</b>		

VFS Officer Remarks/ Additional documentations:

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Place and Date

Applicants Signature

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VFS Officer Name and agent #