

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 Remotly 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

No	Requirements	YES	NO
1	1 Visa applications completely filled and duly signed by applicant		
2	A recent color photograph (2X2) 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	If not a US citizen, proof of legal status <u>copy front and back</u> (green card, US visa, advance parole etc.). Specify:		
5	<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		
6	<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		
7	<b>Proof of financial support</b> ; Bank statements (electronic print outs are accepted);Proof of Pension is also accepted		
8	<b>Criminal Record Certificate</b> (for applicants older than 15), <b>issued by the FBI</b> ; <b>This</b> document must be requested with an apostille.		
9	Permission to the Department of Borders and Customs to obtain criminal record from Portugal		
10	Copy of marriage certificate and children's birth certificate (in case of a family).		
11	Proof of Health Insurance that covers medical expenses in Portugal		

VFS Officer Remarks/ Additional documentations:

Place and Date

**Applicants Signature** 

**VFS Officer Name and agent**