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D7 Visa

Passive Income or Retirement Visa

The Portuguese Authorities launched the D7 Visa programme in 2007 to encourage pensioners and people living on passive income to reside in Portugal.





Who can apply?

D7 Visas are available for Non-EU/EEE/Swiss citizens with a regular income from financial investments, rental income, and other investments.



What is the minimum income necessary?

This has to be at least the Portuguese minimum wage, which in 2022 comes to €9,870 for the Visa holder, plus 50% of the amount for a spouse and 30% for each dependent child.



How can a D7 Visa be applied for?

Applications are processed via SEF (Portugal's Immigration and Border Control Service). Due to SEF's restructuring, it is advisable to contact a lawyer or a specialised immigration services company to do this for you as it can be quite complex.





What is a D7 Visa?

The D7 is a residence entry visa. The holder must stay for four months to be able to apply for a residence permit.

What is necessary to apply for a D7?

- Portuguese tax identification number (NIF).
- Make an application online via your local Portuguese Consulate.
- Proof of private health Insurance.



How long is the residence permit valid for?

Initially, this is valid for one year and can be renewed for successive periods of two years. An application for a permanent residence permit or Portuguese nationality can be made after five years.

What is the minimum stay required?

The minimum stay in Portugal is six consecutive months or eight non-consecutive months per year.





How much will a D7 Visa cost?

The total cost is approximately €350 for fees, plus additional professional fees.

How long does the process take?

It can take six months; however, a specialised law firm or immigration company is recommended.



What are the benefits?

- Permanent Residency after five years, or the possibility to apply for Portuguese citizenship.
- Travel freely in the Schengen area, which comprises 26 European Countries.
- Live and work in Portugal.
- Allows family reunification.
- Access to National Health and Education services.





D2 Visa

The D2 visa is also part of the long-stay visa programme. It is better suited to entrepreneurs who wish to start a business in Portugal or to expand their current business in Portugal. The applicant must submit a business plan and show proof of funds above the Portuguese minimum wage.



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All individual situations are different, and regulations change. Therefore, immigration advice should always be requested from SEF, an immigration service company or a specialised law firm. We are happy to recommend reputable companies.





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