



D7 VISA

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INTRO

The D7 visa is the most suitable type of visa for residence for retired people or income earners who want to live in Portugal.

It was created to encourage and attract people who already have a guaranteed monthly income to Portugal. This way, those who get the D7 visa to come and live in the country help to move the local economy and generate income or jobs. The D7 visa is especially dedicated to two types of people:

Those who are already retired and can prove receipt of retirement amounts;

Those who live off income from real estate properties, assets or financial investments, for example.



PROGRAM BENEFITS

Some of the advantages that the D7 visa holder may have, are:

- Family reunification;
- Enjoyment of a qualified and accessible healthcare system;
- Access to law and courts;
- Obtain Non-Habitual Resident Status.
 - Holders of Non-Habitual Resident Status (NHR), for a period of ten consecutive years, are entitled to the exemption of income obtained abroad from pensions, dependent work, self-employment, capital, property income and real estate capital gains, intellectual or industrial property;
 - To taxation on income obtained in Portugal at reduced rates in the case of high added value activities (e.g. 20% for employment or self-employment income and 28% for capital and real estate income).

If you want to know more about the D7 visa or other ways of obtaining residence in Portugal contact us (info@erglisbon.com)



DOCUMENTS REQUIRED FOR D7 VISA

- The documents required to apply for the D7 visa for Portugal are:
 - Visa application form (completed and signed by the applicant);
 - 2 current 3×4 photos;
 - Original and copy of the passport (make sure that the document is valid for more than 3 months after the expected date of return);
 - Travel insurance or;
 - Criminal Record Certificate issued by the country of residence(updated - no more than 30 days - and with The Hague Apostille);
 - Request for consultation of the Portuguese criminal record by the Aliens and Borders Service (SEF);
 - Proof that you have income to support your family in Portugal (we will explain more details below);
 - Proof that you have an accommodation in Portugal (hotel, hostel, invitation letter or property rental contract are accepted).
 - We recommend that you pay close attention to the list of required documents and do not leave any missing. In case of doubt contact us



WHAT MONTHLY AMOUNT DO I NEED TO PROVE?

Family household	Amounts to prove
1st adult (who applies for the visa)	100% of current minimum wage (665€ em 2021)
2nd adult	50% of current minimum wage
Each child or young person under 18	30% of the current minimum wage





OUR SERVICES

Main focus



SERVICES

- Erg Provides an end to end solution to the client from the beginning to the obtention of the VISA.
- Dealing with all the legal and administrative support needed by the client and his family;
- Drafting of all the documentation
- Help in the certifications and translations of documents *
- Nif obtention
- Opening of bank account
- Helping in the finding of house based on the info provided by the client
- All other services needed and tied to the program
- ***charged 50€ by document**

STEPS AND TIMELINE



VALIDITY OF THE VISA AND OF THE RESIDENCE PERMIT

IN ORDER TO UNDERSTAND THE VALIDITY, IT IS IMPORTANT TO KNOW THAT OBTAINING THE D7 VISA HAPPENS IN TWO DIFFERENT STAGES. THE FIRST TAKES PLACE IN RUSSIA AND THE SECOND IN PORTUGAL

FIRST PHASE

IN THE FIRST PHASE, IN RUSSIA, ACCORDING TO THE DETAILS EXPLAINED ABOVE. AFTER APPROVAL, YOU WILL RECEIVE A VISA GLUED IN YOUR PASSPORT WHICH WILL BE VALID FOR 4 MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF ISSUE. THIS IS THE PERIOD YOU HAVE TO LEAVE RUSSIA AND ENTER PORTUGAL

SECOND STAGE

WHEN YOU ARE ALREADY IN PORTUGAL, YOU MUST DO THE SECOND STEP OF THE REQUEST, TO BECOME A RESIDENT IN THE COUNTRY. YOU MUST GO TO SEF TO HAND IN YOUR DOCUMENTATION AND HAVE A PERSONAL INTERVIEW. IF EVERYTHING IS CORRECT, YOUR REQUEST WILL BE ACCEPTED AND YOU WILL RECEIVE THE TEMPORARY RESIDENCE PERMIT, WHICH WILL BE VALID FOR 1 YEAR.

AFTER THIS PERIOD, IT MUST BE RENEWED.

AFTER THE RENEWAL, IT BECOMES VALID FOR 2 YEARS.

AFTER 5 YEARS OF RESIDENCE IN PORTUGAL, IF YOU INTEND TO CONTINUE LIVING IN THE COUNTRY, IT IS POSSIBLE TO REQUEST THE PERMANENT RESIDENCE PERMIT.

IF YOU WISH, IT IS ALSO POSSIBLE TO REQUEST PORTUGUESE CITIZENSHIP BY RESIDENCE TIME.



How long can I stay outside Portugal with the D7 Visa?

MANY PEOPLE ASK US IF WITH THE RESIDENCE PERMIT GRANTED THROUGH THE D7 VISA IT IS POSSIBLE TO SPEND PART OF THE YEAR IN PORTUGAL AND PART OF THE YEAR IN OTHER PLACES .

IT IS POSSIBLE, BUT THERE IS A LIMIT.

AS A RULE, THE RESIDENCE PERMIT MAY BE CANCELLED WHEN THE RESPECTIVE HOLDER, WITHOUT REASONABLE REASONS, IS ABSENT FROM THE COUNTRY FOR A PERIOD OF **6 CONSECUTIVE MONTHS** OR **8 INTERPOLATED MONTHS**, WITHIN THE TOTAL PERIOD OF VALIDITY OF THE PERMIT.

HOWEVER, THERE ARE SOME LEGAL EXCEPTIONS.



How long does it take to get a visa?

Erg informs that the visa processing time is 60 days. But the period only begins to count when the application is entered into the visa system, which happens after the documents are received and analysed by the company.

Therefore, in case you already have a date foreseen for your trip, **it is recommended that you send the D7 visa application at least 90 days before**. This way, you will avoid losses due to eventual delays in the processing of your request.

With the coronavirus pandemic, the application and processing of visas has already been suspended twice, delaying the processes.

Therefore, it is necessary to be calm and apply for your visa in advance.

Is it possible to work in Portugal with the D7 visa?

Yes, it is possible to work with the D7 visa. The law that regulates the visa does not have any impediment regarding the work of those who have the D7 visa. However, it is necessary to remember that this type of visa is granted to those who prove that they have enough income to live in Portugal.

Therefore, even if working as a pensioner is allowed, it should not be considered as your main income. However, it can be a source of occupation or extra income.



Can I bring my family to Portugal on a D7 visa?

Yes, you can. Those who have a residence permit under the D7 visa are entitled to live in Portugal with their family through family reunion.

The family members of the D7 visa applicant who may apply for family reunion are:

- Spouse or partner;
- minor or incapacitated children;
- Minors adopted by one of the applicants or by the couple;
- adult children, unmarried and already studying in Portugal;
- Parents of the resident or his/her partner/spouse, if they are under his/her responsibility;
- minor siblings who are under the resident's responsibility.

The application for family reunion must be made through SEF, and may be submitted in two ways: while still in the country of origin or while already in Portugal.

Application for Family Regrouping in my country of origin

If the family members are in the country of origin, the regrouping application may be submitted to the Consulate of the region of residence. The Consulate General of Portugal informs that, prior to this, the holder of the residence permit must request the regrouping of the family members at SEF.

When the request is accepted, it is time to gather the documentation and take it to the consulate. The necessary documents are

- Declaration from the applicant explaining the reason for the request;
- Letter from SEF confirming the approval of the family reunion;
- Proof of family ties (such as birth certificate or certificate of the adoption court decision);
- Financial evidence (Term of Responsibility signed by the holder taking responsibility for the family expenses)
- Proof of accommodation in Portugal;
- Travel insurance;
- Recent Criminal Record Certificate issued by embassy/consulate;
- Copy of passport
- Copy of ID card
- 2 recent and identical 3×4 photos.

Application for Family Reunion in Portugal

The regrouping request can also be made in Portugal, directly through SEF. In this case, the family members must already be in Portugal, having entered the country as tourists.

Pay attention to the deadline for contacting SEF: **there are only 3 working days after arrival in the country. The documents required are the same as for the request made by the Consulate in country of origin.**



COSTS

Embassy costs Around 150€

Opening of a bank account in Portugal € 250,00

Lawyer fees (once)

Call our office for more info



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