

Temporary Stay Visas & Extensions

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In late 2022 Portugal introduced new Temporary Stay visa options (AKA Digital Nomad Temporary Visas) & the clue of what they are & what they are not is in the words TEMPORARY as these visas are NOT residency visas & at the end of the stipulated time period of the visa they either allow no extension at all or only allow one extension & most commonly the original visa lasts for either 6 or 12 months & may be extended by a further 50% of the original visa so 6 + 3 months in total or 12 + 6 months in total & all options are on the links below & it should also be noted there is no allowance to extend a Schengen Visa or Schengen Visa Waiver for the purposes of extended vacation/holiday times.

There is however allowance for holders of such visas & visa extensions to also include family members who are either the spouse or dependent children and the reunification applications can be made at the same time as the primary application & those applications can only be made from your country of residency or citizenship.

National visa application form (completed in full and signed by the applicant);

- Signed personal statement must explain the reason(s) to wanting to apply for residency in Portugal, and mention the full address including postcode of the property you will be living at in Portugal, upon arrival;
- Request for consultation of the Portuguese criminal record by the Aliens and Borders Service (not applicable to persons under 16 years of age);
- 2 identical passport-type photographs, updated and in good condition, identifying the applicant (1 pasted on the form);
- Passport or other travel document, valid for more than three months after the expected date of return;
- Criminal record certificate issued by the competent authority of the applicant's country of nationality or the country in which he/she has resided for more than one year (not applicable to persons under 16 years of age), with The Hague Apostille (if applicable);

ACRO - https://www.acro.police.uk/police_certificates.aspx

DBS - <https://www.gov.uk/request-copy-criminal-record>

Subject Access Requests (Scotland) - <https://www.scotland.police.uk/access-to-information/data-protection/subject-access-requests/>

- Valid travel insurance (6-12 months), covering expenses necessary for medical reasons, including urgent medical assistance and eventual repatriation.
- NIF / Tax Identification Number in Portugal;
- Portuguese bank account statement.

PROOF OF ACCOMODATION IN PORTUGAL

- Purchase and sale agreement of property in Portugal; OR
- Rental agreement of property in Portugal [12 month].

SPECIFIC DOCUMENTS

In subordinate work situations, one of the following documents:

- Employment contract (if applicable);
- Promise of employment contract (if applicable);
- Employer's statement proving the employment relationship (if applicable);

PLUS (+)

- Proof of average monthly earnings earned (in the last three months) in the minimum amount of €2820 equivalent to four guaranteed minimum monthly earnings in Portugal ($€705 \times 4 = €2820$);
- Proof of ability to work remotely from Portugal;
- UK Bank statements (last 3 months);
- Document certifying your tax residency.

OR: In situations of exercising an independent professional activity, one of the following documents:

- Partnership Agreement (if applicable);
- Contract for services (if applicable);
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NOTE THAT THESE VISAS DO NOT BRING YOU ANY KIND OF RESIDENCY & ARE LIMITED STAY VISAS ONLY. They can however be applied for from inside Portugal in some cases & in theory.

If your intention is to actually live in Portugal for the longer term then I would suggest the better option by far would be to go for the D7 National Visa + (where necessary) the D6 reunification of family visa & details of those are to be found in How To Obtain Residency In Portugal With A Non EU Member State Passport & Reunification of Family Residency in Portugal in the files section of this group.

I strongly suggest you read each link very carefully indeed & apply your exact & personal situation to each option so you make the correct decision as to which option will be best for you & be sure to read each to the very end including the Documents Required, Specific Documents & Notes & pay particular attention to the requirements for things such as articles of association, contract, health insurance, NIF (tax registration) & social security etc & bear in mind these visas won't be handed out like sweets in a candy store as Portugal needs to ensure you will always have a roof over your head, food in your belly, won't be a burden on the state & the state will get the taxes it expects..... And you can never dodge the taxman here.

If you need to know more about how to open a bank account in Portugal, obtain a NIF number & social security payments etc then there are PDFs in the files of this group on all aspects of such processes & if you struggle to navigate your way through any or all aspects of these processes then look in the files section of the group & read Operation Payback Or How To Navigate The Immigration Minefield & contact me at numzaan@zoho.com if you need to.

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Reunification of Family financial criteria for the Digital Nomad Residency Visa.

Is 50% of that of the primary applicant which equates to:

Per adult dependent or spouse = At least €4000 in the Portuguese bank account + at least €1410 per month.

Per dependent child = At least €2400 + at least €846 per month.

Portugal also offers a significant number of other work permits & temporary stay visas & this options are listed on the links below.

<https://imigrante.sef.pt/en/solicitar/trabalhar/>

The link below relates to temporary stay visas exceeding 90 days but before anyone considers using (or perhaps abusing?) that option to obtain a longer holiday stay in the EU they should first read 'Dispelling The Myths' in the files section of this group which explains that committing false information to an official document is a criminal offence punishable by 2 years imprisonment + further penalties in some cases.

<https://www.vfsglobal.com/one-pager/portugal/india/english/pdf/Temporary-stay-visa-student-exchange-unpaid-professional-internship2.pdf>