



THINKING ABOUT RETIREMENT IN PORTUGAL? D7 VISA, THE RESIDENCE VISA FOR PENSIONERS OR INCOME EARNERS

The D7 Visa is intended to obtain a residence permit in Portugal for citizens of a third country who are:

- Pensioners
- People living on their own income
- People who perform religious functions

The applicant must obtain a Visa to enter Portuguese territory and obtain the corresponding residence permit.

Simultaneously the applicant can apply for a residence visa for his family members, under the residence permit for family reunion.

RIGHTS OF THE RESIDENCE PERMIT HOLDER

- Access to education, teaching and vocational training, including allowances and scholarships
- Possibility of exercising a subordinate professional or independent activity
- Access to health care
- Access to law and courts

REQUIREMENTS

The D7 Visa application must be made at the Portuguese Consulate in the respective country of citizenship or, if it doesn't exist, at the Consulate that holds jurisdiction of the applicant's country.

The applicant, in addition to the general requirements necessary to obtain any visa, must prove that he/she earns a monthly income equivalent to at least one Portuguese minimum wage (705€), through one of the following documents:

- Document proving the amount of the retirement pension;
- Documentary evidence of income from movable or immovable property, intellectual property or financial investments, which allow for subsistence in Portugal;
- Certificate from the church or community to which they belong, provided that they are recognized by the Portuguese legal system, as well as the term of responsibility of the community that receives the religious applicant and which may replace the proof of the existence of means of subsistence.

Therefore, the applicant must have a Portuguese bank account with his/her annual remuneration deposit, thus demonstrating the means of subsistence.

VALIDITY AND DEADLINES

- The D7 Visa is valid for 4 months, and is valid for two entries in Portugal, for subsequent application for a residence permit.
- Within 90 days after arriving in Portugal, the applicant must apply for a residence permit at SEF.
- The temporary residence permit is valid for a period of 2 years as of the date of issue of the respective title and is renewable for successive periods of 3 years.
- After obtaining the temporary residence permit based on the D7 Visa, the foreign citizen must not be absent from Portugal for more than 6 consecutive months or 8 intercalated months, under penalty of cancellation of the residence permit.
- Holders of a temporary residence permit can apply for a permanent residence permit after 5 years of legal residence in Portugal.



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