



D3 VISA

HIGHLY QUALIFIED WORK VISA



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WHAT YOU NEED

To obtain a D3 Visa, you're required to meet certain criteria before becoming eligible. We recommend taking out the below services, in order to qualify.

**NIF
APPLICATION**

**NHR
APPLICATION**

**BANK
APPLICATION**

**ESTABLISHMENT OF
A COMPANY**

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REPRESENTATION**

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INSURANCE**

OBTAINING THE VISA

Here are some things you will need to know when you begin the process of obtaining residency for Portugal.

The applicant will have to apply for a visa at the Portuguese consulate, in the country where they currently reside.

This decision can sometimes take up to 90-days.

After this, the Visa is valid for 4-months; meaning the client has 4-months to relocate to Portugal.

When the applicant arrives in Portugal, they have to make an appointment with SEF (on the date decided by the consulate in their residing country) and apply for a residence permit.

It is after these stages the applicant can request the D3 Visa known as family reunification.





DOCUMENTS WE NEED

Below is a list of documents you will need to provide in order to start your visa application process:

- Official Visa form
- Passport (or additional travel document valid for 3-months after the duration of the stay)
- Two passport photos, up-to-date and with enough quality to identify the applicant
- Valid travel insurance, allowing medical coverage, including medical emergencies and repatriation
- Proof of being in a regular situation when from a different nationality than that of the country where the visa is being applied for

- Request for criminal record enquiry by the Immigration and Border Services (SEF)
- Criminal record certificate from the country of origin or the country where the applicant is residing for over a year (children under the age of 16 are exempt);
- Proof of accommodation
- Proof of means of subsistence as stipulated by law
- Proof of subsistence means can be made through a statement of responsibility, signed by a Portuguese national or by a foreign national legally resident in Portugal.

*NOTE: other documents may be required depending on the situation**

HIGH SKILLED WORK

Within professions the most apparent high skilled workers are rolls such as doctors, dentists and people who work within technology. However, there are more high skilled workers than you think, others include managers, specialists and directors.

If you are unsure if your work comes under the high skilled worker category, don't worry- we can check for you. Simply send us one of the following:

- Work contract;
- An invitation letter issued by a higher education institution or professional training institution;
- Statement of responsibility provided by a certified company as stipulated by law;
- An invitation letter issued by a company or institute developing a relevant cultural activity, in Portuguese territory, recognised by the government agency responsible for cultural activities, or stipulated by law.
- An invitation letter issued by a research center;
- To determine means of subsistence: means obtained through a work contract or work contract promise should be taken into consideration.
- Proof of means of subsistence can be made through a statement of responsibility signed by the workers hosting entity.

The business at which you are a highly skilled worker/employee, can be either:

- A branch of someone else's company
- Your own company

Timeline

Visa decision
90-days

Decision on the residence permit
90 to 180-days

Family reunification decision
90 to 180-days



A photograph showing the silhouettes of a family—a man, a woman, and a child—walking along a beach at sunset. The sun is low on the horizon, creating a warm, golden glow and reflecting on the wet sand. The sky is filled with soft, colorful clouds.

FAMILY MEMBERS

When you're moving to Portugal to obtain residency it is possible for your family to obtain residency via the family reunification Visa.

In order to obtain residency permits for the applicant's family, a similar process will have to be adhered to for them.

The focus will be demonstrating the family bond, while the applicant must provide proof that they will be able to financially sustain all the family.

GOVERNMENT FEES

If you decide to go for this Visa, the consultants and business support will be there for you every step of the way to help you understand where you are on your journey to residency.

There may be some Government fees involved in the process, but these could be dependent on the number of applicants and the consulate visited.

We will be able to advise you further along the application process of any Government fees you may incur.

