

RIV - Residence Visa Based on Real Estate Purchase

1. APPLICATION FORM

(Completed and signed in Spanish or English.)

2. BIOMETRIC PHOTO

One biometric photo with a white background (3 x 4 cm).

3. VALID PASSPORT OR TRAVEL DOCUMENT:

The original passport and a copy of the page with passport details must be presented. The passport must be valid for at least one year and have at least two blank pages. Passports issued more than 10 years ago will not be accepted.

4. PROPERTY TITLE DEEDS FOR REAL ESTATE VALUED AT 500,000 EUR OR MORE

Property title deeds proving ownership and responsibility (Certificado de dominio y cargas del Registro de la Propiedad).

This document must have been issued within the 90 days preceding the residence permit visa application.

During the visa application, if the property acquisition is visible in the Land Registry (Registro de la Propiedad) system during the registration process, it will be sufficient to present the document confirming the payment of necessary taxes along with the purchase documents.

5. ECONOMIC RESOURCES:

A document proving that the visa applicant and their dependents have sufficient and appropriate income or will have a regular income.

6. CRIMINAL RECORD

Original and a copy of the criminal record certificate for all visa applicants of eligible age (after notarized translation into Spanish, it must be apostilled by the Government Delegation with the Hague Apostille). Criminal records must be obtained from each country where long-term residence has occurred in the last five years, with Spanish translation and Hague Apostille.

The criminal record must not be older than 3 months.

7. HEALTH INSURANCE

Must be from an institution authorized to operate in Spain or that has authorization to operate. The insurance policy and payment receipt must cover the entire period the applicant will be in Spain (for stays over 1 year, the insurance should be valid for no more than 1 year) and must be issued by a Spanish company. It must have coverage of at least 30,000 EUR.

8. CERTIFICATE OF RESIDENCE

(TRANSLATED TO ENGLISH OR SPANISH)

9. POPULATION REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE

(TRANSLATED TO ENGLISH OR SPANISH)

10. COPY OF PASSPORT AND ID

All processed pages of the valid passport and a copy of the ID.

DOCUMENTS REQUIRED FOR FAMILY MEMBERS

In addition to the documents listed above:

- **FOR CHILDRENS:**

BIRTH CERTIFICATE: For children, a birth certificate (after notarized translation into Spanish, it must be apostilled by the Government Delegation with the Hague Apostille) or FORM A (translation not required, only apostille needed). Original documents must be no older than 3 months.

- **FOR SPOUSES:**

MARRIAGE CERTIFICATE: If spouses are applying together, a marriage certificate (after notarized translation into Spanish, it must be apostilled by the Government Delegation with the Hague Apostille) or FORM B (translation not required, only apostille needed). Original documents must be no older than 3 months.

- **FOR PARENTS:**

BIRTH CERTIFICATE: To prove family ties, a birth certificate (after notarized translation into Spanish, it must be apostilled by the Government Delegation with the Hague Apostille) or FORM A (translation not required, only apostille needed). Original documents must be no older than 3 months.

A document proving that the person being joined has been economically dependent on the joining person for the past year.

Visa Process

- **Applicant:** The applicant must appear in person for the visa application and passport submission.
- **Visa Application Period:** It is recommended to apply at least 35 days before the planned start dates.
- **Missing Documents and Interview:** The embassy may request additional documents or changes to the existing documents. If deemed necessary, an interview with the applicant may be requested.
- **Visa Decision Process:** The embassy will make a decision, either positive or negative, within a maximum of 1 month from the date of application. This period may be extended due to missing documents or the need for an interview.
- **Visa Cancellation:** Even if the visa is granted, it can be canceled at the applicant's request. The applicant can request the cancellation in person at the embassy within 1 month after being notified of the visa decision.
- **Visa Refusal:** In case of visa refusal by the embassy, the reasons for the refusal will be provided in writing.
- **Appeal Procedures:** The applicant has the right to appeal in writing within 1 month from the day following receipt of the visa refusal notice. If the appeal needs to be made in Spain, it can be done at the Madrid High Court within 2 months.