



RESIDENCY IN THE UAE

Residence Visa Type	Validity & Renewability	Key Conditions	Documents Required	Presence required in the UAE	Timeframe	Dependents' visa	Required legal presence "day counting"
Company	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mainland: 2 Years Free Zone: 3 Years Renewable on completion of 2 / 3 year visa 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Valid Trade license Valid Immigration Card Medically fit 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Company trade license copy Current passport copy Medical fitness result Emirates ID registration Valid UAE health insurance Subject to qualifying the route of investment 	Yes	7-10 working days	Applicant is qualified to sponsor dependents' visa for spouse and children under 18 years subject to certain conditions	Employee visa - Applicant must return to the UAE within 180 days to keep the visa active. Investor visa - Applicant must return to the UAE within 365 days to keep the visa active.
Real Estate Investment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3 years 5 years Renewable on completion of 3 / 5 year visa 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Property value must be more than AED 1 million for 3 years visa Property value must be more than AED 2 million for 5 years visa Property must be constructed and fit for habitation Property must be constructed and fit for habitation Property should have a mortgage no more than 70% of the value for 3-year visa Property should be wholly owned by the investor and not loaned for 5-year visa Applicant shall present a valid title deed, indicating the Applicant as direct (co-) owner 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Current passport copy Number of properties under the applicant's name in the UAE Title deed which reflects the property value Latest Utility bills/ security deposit slip Valid UAE health insurance Subject to qualifying the route of investment 	Yes	7-10 working days	Applicant is qualified to sponsor dependents' visa for spouse and children under 18 years subject to certain conditions	Applicant must return to the UAE within 365 days to keep the visa active.
Remote working visa	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 year Renewable completion of 1 year 	<p>If you are an employee, you need to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> provide proof of employment with a contract valid for one year from your current employer earn a salary of minimum USD 5,000 per month provide the salary slip for the last month and bank statements for the preceding three months. <p>If you are a company owner, you need to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> provide proof of ownership of company for one year or more have an average monthly income of USD 5,000 per month provide bank statements of the company's account for the preceding three months. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Current passport and UAE visa copy Medical fitness result Emirates ID registration Valid UAE health insurance Subject to qualifying the route of investment 	Yes	7-10 working days	Sponsorship of children until the age of 25 (instead of 18 previously) Sponsorship of parents Extension of the grace period for leaving the country upon job loss or retirement to 90 to 180 days (instead of 30 days previously).	Employee visa - Applicant must return to the UAE within 180 days to keep the visa active.
Free Lance Visa	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3 years 5 years Renewable on completion of 3 / 5-year visa 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Self-employed workers based in the UAE (i.e. Marketing, Event Management, Social Media, Fitness & Yoga, Web Development, Graphic Design, Journalist, Finance/Accounts, Management Consulting, Artist/Musician) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Current passport and UAE visa copy Medical fitness result Emirates ID registration Valid UAE health insurance Subject to qualifying the route of investment 	Yes	6-8 weeks	Sponsorship of children until the age of 25 (instead of 18 previously) Sponsorship of parents Extension of the grace period for leaving the country upon job loss or retirement to 90 to 180 days (instead of 30 days previously).	Applicant must return to the UAE within 365 days to keep the visa active.



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Green Visa	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10 years Renewable automatically on completion of 10 years 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Self-residency status has been further expanded to investors, entrepreneurs, highly-skilled individuals, top students and graduates. Those running Small and Medium Enterprises, scientists and other talented people will also be considered. Precise Key conditions - TBC 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Current passport and UAE visa copy Medical fitness result Emirates ID registration Valid UAE health insurance Subject to qualifying the route of investment 	Yes	6-8 weeks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sponsorship of children until the age of 25 (instead of 18 previously) Sponsorship of parents Extension of the grace period for leaving the country upon job loss or retirement to 90 to 180 days (instead of 30 days previously). 	Applicant must return to the UAE within 365 days to keep the visa active.
Public Investment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10 years Renewable automatically on completion of 10 years 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Amount to be fully deposited by the applicants existing UAE registered company illustrating no less than AED 2 million in UAE investments; no loans / finance support, retained for min. 3 years in a UAE bank & financial solvency up to AED 2 million OR Establishing a UAE company with a capital of no less than AED 2 million; no loans / finance support, retained for min. 3 years in a UAE bank & financial solvency up to AED 10 million Real estate can qualify as part of the AED 2 million but only 40% of the total investment amount can be Real estate investments. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Current passport copy Company License copy (parent company (translated and super legalized) & UAE company) Corporate bank account statement reflecting a deposit of AED 10 million for 3 years Memorandum of Association or equivalent Company establishment card Audit report Subject to qualifying the route of investment 	Yes	6-8 weeks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Applicant is qualified to sponsor dependents' visa for spouse and children under 18 years subject to certain conditions Visa can be extended to include business partners, on the condition that each partner contributes AED 10 million. The long-term visa can include the spouse and children, as well as one executive director and one advisor. Investors from abroad may apply for a multiple-entry permit for a six-month period. 	Applicant must return to the UAE within 365 days to keep the visa active.
Retirees	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5 years Renewable automatically on completion of 5 years 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Real Estate Investment: Own a property in the UAE of a minimum market value of AED 1 million (approx. USD 270,000) OR Financial Savings: Fixed deposit for 3 years or cash savings in the UAE personal bank account of no less than AED 1 million (approx. USD 275,000) OR Monthly Income: Proof of an income of not less than AED 15,000 per month (approx. USD 4,084) OR Combination of Property and financial Savings: To combine both real estate investment (Option 1) and financial savings (Option 2) with both combined the financial savings must be AED 1 million fixed for 1 year and Property worth AED 500,000 (approx. USD 400,000) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Current passport, UAE visa copy UAE bank account statements reflecting financial savings of no less than AED 1 million or income of AED 15,000 or property worth AED 1 million Valid UAE health insurance 	Yes	6-8 weeks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Applicant is qualified to sponsor dependents' visa for spouse and children under 18 years subject to certain conditions The long-term visa can include the spouse and children, as well as one executive director and one advisor. Investors from abroad may apply for a multiple-entry permit for a six-month period. 	Applicant must return to the UAE within 365 days to keep the visa active.
Specialised talents & Researchers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10 years Renewable automatically on completion of 5 years 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Holder of PhD degree from one of the top 500 universities in the world Mohammed bin Rashid Medal for Scientific Excellence Contribution to major scientific research Published articles/scientific books in distinguished publications Membership in an organization associated, which requires excellent work 10-year professional experience Specialization in areas of priority to the UAE (additional requirement for doctors) Emirates Scientists Council must accredit scientists 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Current passport copy PHD degree (legalized, translated and super legalized) Valid UAE health insurance Subject to qualifying the route of investment 	Yes	6-8 weeks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Applicant is qualified to sponsor dependents' visa for spouse and children under 18 years subject to certain conditions Visa can be extended to include business partners, on the condition that each partner contributes AED 10 million. Investors from abroad may apply for a multiple-entry permit for a six-month period. 	Applicant must return to the UAE within 365 days to keep the visa active.