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Taxes for Digital Nomads in Spain



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1 What is a digital nomad?

The Startup Law defines digital nomads as "people whose jobs allow them to work remotely and change residence on a regular basis".



2 Who can apply for this visa?

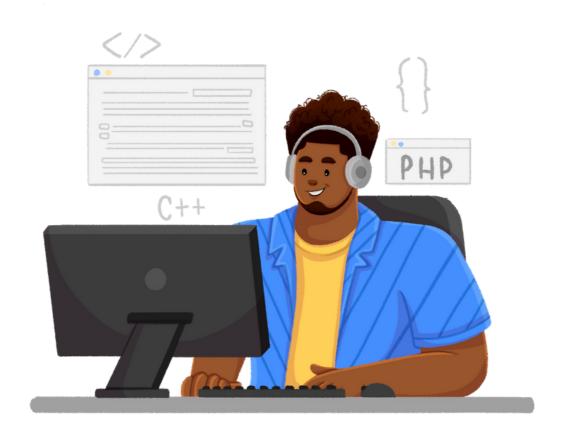
It is designed for non-EU workers, who are:

- Employees hired by a foreign company that allows them to travel and telework from Spain.
- Self-employed workers with international clients or income from online activities, always from outside Spain.
- Remember that citizens of the European Union can now work remotely in Spain for up to six months and can later extend their stay by requesting the NIE as a resident.

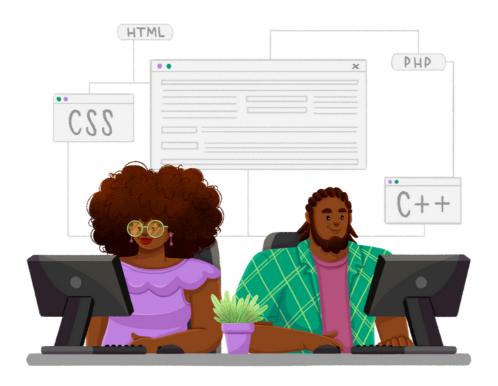
3 What does this visa in Spain solve for non-EU foreigners?

To date, non-European foreign workers who wanted to live in Spain but continue working for a company abroad had to apply for a non-profit visa to be able to reside in Spain. This visa but it was not valid to work.

The visa for digital nomads comes to solve this situation. It is a residence permit extendable to 5 years that allows foreign citizens from outside the European Union to live and work remotely from Spain exercising activities as a digital nomad.



4. What are the advantages of the visa for digital nomads?



- You can apply for a one-year visa from your own country of origin. Once in Spain, it is possible to extend the validity to three years.
- Available in 20 days. If there is administrative silence (approval) and no response is received within 20 days, the request is considered approved.
- It is possible to obtain permanent residence after five years as a teleworker in Spain.
- It allows the spouse and children to be included in the same application, thus being able to live with the family in Spain and be able to move freely throughout the European Union.

5. What requirements must be met?

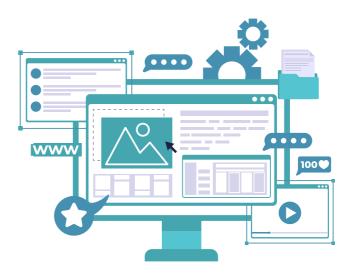


- You must have a minimum of €26,000. For each additional family member, an extra €9,000 must be available.
- Income obtained in Spain or from Spanish companies cannot represent more than 20% of the total.
- Demonstrate a minimum experience of three years related to the work to be carried out, either with an academic degree such as a graduate or postgraduate university degree or in a recognized center.



5.2. Other requirements must be met

- You must have health insurance with full coverage throughout Spain that does not have deficiencies or copayments (travel insurance is not valid).
- Medical certificate indicating that you do not suffer from any disease that could have serious repercussions for public health.
- In the case of relatives, the family link must be accredited (marriage or birth certificate).
- Not having a criminal record or prohibited from entering Spain. It is necessary to provide a legalized criminal record certificate with a minimum validity of 90 days, in addition to signing a responsible declaration of the absence of criminal records in the last five years..



Requirements for employed workers:



- The company or companies you work for must be located outside of Spain and must have been operating for at least one year prior to the application. The articles of incorporation of the company must be shown.
- Letter from the contracting company certifying that it accepts teleworking in Spain and that it expressly authorizes it to do so.
- Employment contract of at least one year duration.
- Demonstrate that you have been working for the company for at least three months prior to the visa application, showing pay slips for the last three months.

Requirements for freelancers:



- You must be working at least for a foreign company through a contract that indicates the possibility of working remotely.
- You must demonstrate that you have had an independent professional relationship with your clients for at least three months prior to the visa application.



Conclusion:

If you need Tax or Legal advice, you must have highly qualified professionals.

In Spain, compliance with the Law can be very complex if you carry out any economic activity.

Only lawyers and economists are recognized and prepared to offer legal and tax legal advice.



The best step to achieve your objectives in the medium and long term is to let yourself be advised by the best professionals.

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