

EXCHANGING RESIDENCE DOCUMENTS

Current EU residence documents remain valid. You will not need to exchange your documents during the transition period.

Information will be made available on how and when to obtain replacement documentation.



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LIVING IN PORTUGAL?

REGISTER NOW!

If you are a UK national living in Portugal or moving here during the transition period (up to 31 December 2020), this information explains how to register for residence.



RESIDENCE IN PORTUGAL

According to Portuguese law, if you spend more than 3 consecutive months in Portugal, or plan to do so, you should register for residence with the Portuguese authorities.

If you move to Portugal during the transition period, or you are already a resident here, you will be able to stay, and you will retain some of the rights you have now, such as:

- Right to reside in Portugal
- Right to work in Portugal
- Right to an uprated pension
- Right to aggregated contributions
- Right to reciprocal healthcare
- Right to have your professional qualifications recognised

You will have these rights protected for as long as you remain a resident in Portugal.

If you move to Portugal during the transition period, you should register until 31 December 2020. If you are unable to do so, you will be able to register directly with SEF up to June 2021.

You should register as a resident from the moment you choose to make Portugal your home or if you already live here but have not yet registered.

REGISTER FOR RESIDENCE

If you are a new resident in Portugal:

- 1. Go to your local Town Hall (Câmara Municipal).**
- 2. Take these documents with you:**
 - Your valid passport
 - Proof of address (such as a rental agreement, utility bills or a declaration from the Parish Council – Junta de Freguesia)
 - If you are working, proof of earnings
 - If you are not working, evidence you have sufficient means to support yourself and your family
 - If you are a student you will also need proof that you are enrolled in an officially recognised school in Portugal.
- 3. You will be asked to sign a sworn statement declaring you have sufficient means of subsistence for you and your family.**
- 4. You will be issued with a **Certificado de Registo (valid for 5 years)**.**



TRAVELLING TO THE UK AND WITHIN THE EU

During the transition period, you can continue to travel freely to the UK and within the EU and the Schengen area. Your current passport will continue to be valid until it expires.

Your residency card is not a valid travel document. You should always travel with a valid passport, as well as your residence document.

