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PROCEDURE FOR THE ENTRY AND RESIDENCE IN
SPAIN OF PROFESSIONALS WHO ARE THIRD-
COUNTRY NATIONALS WORKING IN THE
AUDIOVISUAL SECTOR



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I. INTRODUCTION

The following document provides a summary about the **Agreement** of the Council of Ministers of 2 November 2021, **which approves the instructions determining the procedure for the entry and to stay in Spain of third-country nationals working in the audiovisual sector.**

Access the Order where the Agreement is published:

[BOE.es - BOE-A-2021-18582 Order PCM/1238/2021, of 12 November, publishing the Agreement of the Council of Ministers of 2 November 2021, approving the instructions determining the procedure for the entry and stay of third-country nationals working in the audiovisual sector.](https://www.boe.es/boe/A-2021-18582.html)

WHO CAN BENEFIT FROM THIS NEW PROCEDURE?

- **Foreign artists, technicians and professionals** who are going to carry out activities in **the audiovisual sector**, artistic activities in front of the public or for the recording of any kind for broadcasting by different mass media.
- **Family members accompanying the professional:**
 - The spouse or person with an analogous relationship of accredited affectivity.
 - Children who are minors or adults who are economically dependent on the holder.
 - Dependent relatives in the ascending line who are financially dependent on the holder.
 - The parents or guardians of a minor working in the audiovisual sector.

A low-angle, upward-looking photograph of several tall, modern skyscrapers against a clear, bright blue sky. The buildings are partially obscured by a network of dark power lines that crisscross the frame. The perspective creates a sense of height and scale.

II. PROCEDURE FOR ENTRY AND STAY IN SPAIN

Stay of up to **90 days** in order to exercise an activity in the audiovisual sector

How long can I stay in Spain?

90 days in a maximum period of 180 days.

There is no need to apply for a residence and work permit.



Is a visa required?



- **It will depend on the origin.** There is a list of countries whose nationals require a visa to enter Schengen, and a list of countries whose nationals are exempt from the visa requirement for short stays.

What documentation is required?

- Foreigners coming from a country that requires a Visa:
 - » Visa.
 - » Foreigner Identification Number (NIE), if registration is required.
 - » Registration with the Social Security (in those cases not covered by a Social Security agreement)*.
- Foreigners coming from a country that does not require a Visa:
 - » Foreigner Identification Number (NIE).
 - » Registration with the Social Security (in those cases in which they do not come from covered by a Social Security agreement)*.



* It is not necessary to obtain a NIE in order to register with the Social Security. The TGSS can assign a NUSS (Social Security Number) with the passport for stays of less than 90 days.

Residence visa with work exception for the audiovisual sector

What are the characteristics of this visa?



It allows to reside and work in the audiovisual sector for a **period of more than 90 days and up to a maximum of 180 days.**

How to apply?

Application must be made to the Diplomatic Mission or Consular Post concerned for both the foreigner himself or herself, or his or her legal representative, if he or she is a minor, or a representative of the company that hires or transfers the professional, authorised by the latter.



What documentation is required?

- » 1 photograph.
- » Signed national visa application.
- » Valid and in force travel document. Passport.
- » Document proving residence in the consular district.
- » Document proving the employment or professional relationship with the company hiring or transferring abroad or proof of the employment relationship offered by the Spanish company.
- » Documentation proving that the foreigner is part of a production project in the audiovisual sector.
- » In the case of family members accompanying the worker, documents proving the family relationship and, where appropriate, the dependent status of the worker or professional.
- » Public or private health insurance in case the foreigner will not be covered by the National Health System or covered by a Social Security agreement.
- » A declaration that the Spanish company is up to date with AEAT and Social Security payments.



Residence permit for the audiovisual sector (I)

What are the characteristics of this authorisation?



This authorisation will be requested when foreign professionals are going to work in the audiovisual sector for a period of more than 180 days. If the foreign professional is outside Spain, once the residence permit has been granted, he/she must apply for the corresponding visa.

How to apply?



The Spanish company, or whoever has validly attributed its legal representation, may submit the **application** together with the documentation accrediting compliance with the requirements by electronic means to the electronic headquarters of the Ministry of Inclusion, Social Security and Migration.

Residence authorisation for the audiovisual sector (II)

What documentation is required?

- » Completed application form (select national ICT figure).
- » Valid and in force travel document.
- » Document certifying payment of fees (form 790 038).
- » Document proving the employment or professional relationship with the company that hires or transfers abroad.
- » Documentation proving that the foreigner is part of a production project in the audiovisual sector.
- » In the case of family members accompanying the worker, documents proving the family relationship and, where appropriate, the dependent status of the worker or professional.
- » Public or private health insurance in case the foreigner will not be covered by the National Health System or by a Social Security agreement.
- » If the applicant is a minor, authorisation from his/her parents.
- » Criminal record certificate, apostilled or legalised and translated.



Residence authorisation for the audiovisual sector (III)



In the event that the **professional is outside Spain**, once authorisation has been granted, he/she **must apply for the corresponding visa at the Spanish consulate where he/she resides**. The documentation to be submitted in order to obtain the visa will be:

- » Visa application form.
- » 1 photograph.
- » Valid and in force travel document.
- » Document proving residence in the consular district.
- » Residence permit issued by the UGE and payment of the visa fee.
- » If the application is made through a representative, the representative's authorisation document.



III. COUNTRIES REQUIRING OR NOT REQUIRING VISA FOR A STAY OF 90 DAYS

III. COUNTRIES REQUIRING A VISA FOR A STAY OF 90 DAYS



- AFGHANISTAN
- ANGOLA
- SAUDI ARABIA
- ALGERIA
- ARMENIA
- AZERBAIJAN
- BANGLADESH
- BAHREIN
- BENIN
- BELARUS
- BURMA/
MYANMAR
- BOLIVIA
- BOTSWANA
- BURKINA FASO
- BURUNDI
- BHUTAN
- CAPE VERDE
- CAMBODIA
- CAMEROON
- CENTRAL
AFRICAN
- REPUBLIC
- CHAD
- **CHINA**
- COMORAS
- CONGO
- CONGO,
DEMOCRATIC
REPUBLIC OF THE
- NORTH KOREA
- IVORY COAST
- CUBA
- DOMINICAN,
REPUBLIC
- ECUADOR
- EGYPT
- ERITREA
- ESUATINI
- ETHIOPIA
- PHILIPPINES
- FIJI
- GABON
- GAMBIA
- GHANA
- GUINEA
- GUINEA-BISÁU
- EQUATORIAL
GUINEA
- GUYANA
- HAITI
- **INDIA**
- INDONESIA
- IRAQ
- IRAN
- JAMAICA
- JORDAN
- KAZAKHSTAN
- KENYA
- KYRGYZSTAN
- KUWAIT
- LIBERIA
- LIBYA
- MADAGASCAR
- MALAUI
- MALDIVES
- MALI
- MOROCCO
- MAURITANIA
- MONGOLIA
- MOZAMBIQUE
- NAMIBIA
- NEPAL
- NIGER
- NIGERIA
- OMAN
- PAKISTAN
- PAPUA NEW
GUINEA
- QATAR
- RWANDA
- **RUSSIA**
- SÃO TOMÉ AND
PRÍNCIPE
- SENEGAL
- SIERRA LEONE
- SYRIA
- SOMALIA
- SRI LANKA
- **SOUTH AFRICA**
- SUDAN
- SOUTHERN
SUDAN
- SURINAM
- THAILAND
- TANZANIA
- TAJIKISTAN
- TOGO
- TUNISIA
- TURKMENISTAN
- TURKEY
- UGANDA
- UZBEKISTAN
- VIETNAM
- YEMEN
- YIBUTI
- ZAMBIA
- ZIMBABWE



- ALBANIA
- ANDORRA
- ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA
- **ARGENTINA**
- **AUSTRALIA**
- BAHAMAS
- BARBADOS
- BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA
- **BRAZIL**
- BRUNÉI
- **CANADA**
- CHILE
- COLOMBIA
- **SOUTH KOREA**
- COSTA RICA
- DOMINICA
- EL SALVADOR
- UNITED ARAB EMIRATES
- **UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**
- GEORGIA
- GUATEMALA
- HONDURAS
- ISRAEL
- **JAPAN**
- KIRIBATI
- LAOS
- LEBANON
- NORTHERN MACEDONIA
- MALAYSIA
- MARSHALL, MAURITIUS ISLANDS
- **MEXICO**
- MICRONESIA
- MOLDOVA
- MONACO
- MONTENEGRO
- NICARAGUA
- NEW ZEALAND - PALAU
- PANAMA
- PARAGUAY
- PERU
- **UNITED KINGDOM**
- SOLOMON ISLANDS
- SAMOA
- SAINT KITTS AND NEVIS
- SAN MARINO
- SAINT VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES
- SAINT LUCIA
- HOLY SEE (VATICAN CITY STATE)
- SERBIA
- SEYCHELLES
- SINGAPORE
- EAST TIMOR
- TONGA
- TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO
- TUVALU
- **UKRAINE**
- URUGUAY
- VANUATU
- VENEZUELA



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