

SELF-EMPLOYED WORK VISA

Visa for people aged 16 or over who seek to engage in self-employed activity in Spain.

To obtain a self-employed work visa, it is first necessary to obtain an initial residence and self-employed work permit. For this reason, the procedure comprises two stages.

Obtaining an initial residence and self-employed work permit

Required documents

1. Each applicant must complete and sign two visa application forms, having filled in each section of the EX-07 form. If the applicant is a minor, one of their parents must sign the application.

2. Passport. A photocopy of every page of a valid, unexpired passport or travel document.

3. Activity permits and licences. List of permits or licences required for the installation, opening or operation of the planned activity or professional practice, indicating the status of the procedures for obtaining them. Certification of applications to the corresponding bodies must be attached.

4. Professional training and qualifications. Original and a copy of the documents accrediting the legally required training, and where applicable, qualifications, for the professional practice. Foreign documents must be legalized or apostilled and, where applicable, must be submitted together with an official translation into Spanish.

5. Plan for the establishment or activity. Plan for the establishment or activity to be carried out, indicating the planned investment, the expected return, and, where applicable, the jobs that will be created. Documents written in a foreign language must be submitted together with an official translation into Spanish.

6. Financial means. Original and a copy of the documents accrediting that the applicant has sufficient financial means to carry out the planned investment, or a commitment by financial or other institutions to provide support. Foreign documents must be legalized or apostilled and, where applicable, must be submitted together with an official translation into Spanish.

7. Payment of fees. To pay the fees at the Consular Office, the applicant must complete all the fields of, and sign, two copies of form [790 code 052](#), ticking box 2.1 (initial temporary residence permit) and of [form 790, code 062,](#) ticking box 1.5 (self-employed work permits).

The fee can also be paid online, through the links to forms 790-052 and 790-062. In this case, the proof of payment obtained from the same webpage must be attached.

Nationals of Ibero-American countries, nationals of the Philippines, nationals of Andorra, nationals of Equatorial Guinea, Sephardim, children and grandchildren of persons of Spanish origin, and foreigners born in Spain are exempt from paying the fee for self-employed work permits.

If a work permit is applied for in the Autonomous Community of Catalonia, the fee must be paid directly to that [Autonomous Community](#).

When necessary to assess the application, the Consular Office may request additional documents or data and may also ask the applicant to come in for a personal interview.