



MAKING THE MOVE

UAE Employee Visa: Your Gateway to Working in Dubai

The UAE Employee Visa is the most commonly sought-after visa for expatriates moving to Dubai for work. It allows you to live and work legally in the UAE under the sponsorship of your employer.

Here's what you need to know:

Sponsorship: Your employer initiates the visa application process on your behalf. They'll handle most of the paperwork and ensure you meet the eligibility requirements.

Validity: Employee visas are typically valid for two years and can be renewed upon expiry.

Renewal: The renewal process usually involves a medical test and updating your employment contract.

Eligibility:

While specific requirements may vary depending on the company and role, some general criteria include:

- Having a confirmed job offer in Dubai.
- Meeting the educational qualifications needed for the position.
- Possessing a valid passport with sufficient remaining validity.

Benefits:

- The ability to live and work in Dubai legally.
- Sponsorship for your dependents (spouse and children) under certain conditions.
- Access to UAE's healthcare system and other benefits.

Next Steps:

- If you have a job offer in Dubai, discuss the visa sponsorship process with your employer.
- Familiarise yourself with the UAE labor laws and your employment contract.
- Consider seeking guidance from a visa consultant for a smooth application process.

UAE Investor Visa

The UAE Investor Visa is a perfect option for entrepreneurs and business minds seeking to establish a presence in Dubai's dynamic economy. It grants residency to you and potentially your family members, allowing you to live and manage your business ventures in the UAE.

Key Features:

Business Ownership: This visa requires an investment in a local company. The minimum investment amount varies depending on the chosen business structure.

- Mainland Company: Invest a minimum of AED 72,000 (around USD \$20,000)
- Free Zone Company: Minimum investment requirements vary by free zone, but some have no minimum.

Visa Validity: Investor visas are typically valid for two or three years and are renewable upon meeting specific criteria.

Benefits:

- Residency in Dubai for yourself and your dependents (under certain conditions).
- Freedom to manage and operate your business in the UAE.
- Potential for multiple entries and exits from the country.
- Enjoyment of Dubai's tax-friendly environment (no income tax).

Who should consider it?

- Entrepreneurs looking to launch their own businesses in Dubai.
- Investors interested in acquiring shares in existing companies.
- Business owners wanting to expand their operations to Dubai.

Next Steps:

- Research different business structures in Dubai (mainland vs. free zone).
- Choose a suitable business activity and location.
- Prepare a business plan and secure the necessary capital.

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UAE Golden Visa: Long-Term Residency

The UAE Golden Visa is an exclusive residency permit program designed to attract and retain talented individuals and investors in the UAE. Offering numerous advantages over conventional visas, this residency permit has quickly become popular among many.

Key Features:

Long-Term Residency: Enjoy extended residency in the UAE for either 5 or 10 years, depending on the qualification category.

Sponsor Freedom: Unlike many other UAE visas, the Golden Visa eliminates the need for a local company sponsor. This allows for greater independence and flexibility.

Multiple Entry/Exit: The visa grants you the freedom to travel freely in and out of the UAE without restrictions.

Eligibility:

The Golden Visa encompasses various categories, each with its own set of criteria. Some prominent categories include:

Investors: Individuals investing a minimum of AED2 million in an approved UAE business or fund.

Real estate investors: Individuals owning a property or a group of properties in the UAE valued at AED2 million or more, you may be granted a Golden visa for a period of 5 years, renewable on the same conditions and without a sponsor.

Entrepreneurs: Holders of a UAE residence visa who own a startup with a minimum capital of AED500,000 demonstrably approved by a UAE government entity.

Talented Professionals: Highly skilled individuals in specific fields like science, medicine, engineering, arts, and culture, meeting specific educational and experience requirements.

Exceptional Students: Top students enrolled in specific UAE universities.

Benefits:

- Long-term residency with the opportunity for renewal.
- Ability to sponsor your family members (spouse and children) under your visa.
- No requirement for a local employer or sponsor for most categories.
- Enjoy the vibrant lifestyle and tax benefits Dubai and the UAE offer.

Who should consider it?

- Investors seeking a stable base for their business ventures.
- Entrepreneurs with innovative ideas and the drive to build successful businesses.
- Talented professionals seeking to contribute their expertise to Dubai's dynamic sectors.
- Top students aiming to pursue higher education in top-ranked UAE universities.

Next Steps:

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UAE Partner Visa: Live and Work Together in Dubai

The UAE Partner Visa is designed for spouses of UAE residents or citizens, allowing them to reside and work legally in the UAE under their partner's sponsorship. This visa option fosters family unity and provides a pathway for spouses to build a life together in Dubai.

Key Features:

- **Spousal Sponsorship:** This visa requires sponsorship from your spouse who holds a valid UAE resident visa or citizenship.
- **Work Authorization:** Partner visa holders are generally permitted to work in the UAE upon obtaining an employment permit.

Benefits:

- Residency in Dubai alongside your spouse.
- Opportunity to seek employment and contribute to Dubai's diverse workforce.
- Access to UAE's healthcare system and other residency benefits (subject to specific regulations).

Who should consider it?

- Spouses of UAE residents or citizens seeking to live together in Dubai.
- Individuals who wish to work and establish a career in the UAE.

Next Steps:

- Ensure your spouse holds a valid UAE resident visa or citizenship.
- Gather necessary documents, including marriage certificate, proof of your spouse's residency status, and passport-sized photos.
- Partner with your spouse to navigate the application process, which may involve medical tests and immigration procedures.

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UAE Freelance Visa

The UAE Freelance Visa is a game-changer for independent contractors and skilled professionals seeking to work remotely from the dynamic hub of Dubai. This relatively new visa option allows you to live and work legally in Dubai while managing your freelance projects worldwide.

Key Features:

Freelance Freedom: Work on your own terms and manage your freelance projects without being tied to a specific employer.

Location Flexibility: Operate your freelance business from anywhere in the UAE or remotely from around the world.

Eligibility:

Obtaining a Freelance Visa requires meeting specific criteria, including:

Freelance License: Secure a freelance permit from the relevant authorities, such as the Department of Economic Development or a Free Zone authority.

Income Threshold: Demonstrate a minimum annual income from freelancing that meets the stipulated requirements (exact amount may vary).

Client Diversity: Possess a portfolio showcasing clients primarily located outside of the UAE.

Benefits:

- Enjoy the flexibility and independence of a freelance lifestyle in Dubai.
- Secure residency in Dubai for yourself and potentially your dependents (under certain conditions).
- Access Dubai's vibrant social scene and world-class amenities.

Who should consider it?

- Freelancers with established businesses and a strong client base outside the UAE.
- Skilled professionals seeking a dynamic work environment and a tax-friendly location like Dubai.
- Remote workers who want to enjoy the benefits of living in Dubai while serving clients globally.

Next Steps:

- Research the freelance licensing process and requirements in your chosen Emirate (Dubai, Abu Dhabi, etc.).
- Secure clients and build a strong freelance portfolio demonstrating overseas clientele.

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UAE Dependent Visa: Bring Your Family to Dubai

The UAE Dependent Visa allows family members of individuals holding valid employment or investor visas to reside legally in Dubai under their sponsor's visa. This visa option fosters family unity and enables a smooth transition for those relocating to Dubai for work or business ventures.

Key Features:

- **Sponsor Dependence:** This visa requires sponsorship from a family member who holds a valid UAE employment or investor visa.
- **Family Categories:** Typically extends to spouses, children (under 18 years old), and in some cases, parents of the visa sponsor.

Benefits:

- Residency in Dubai alongside your sponsoring family member.
- Access to UAE's healthcare system and educational facilities (subject to specific regulations).
- Enjoy the vibrant lifestyle and cultural experiences that Dubai offers.

Who should consider it?

- Spouses and children of UAE residents with employment or investor visas.
- In some cases, parents of the visa sponsor seeking to live near their family in Dubai.

Next Steps:

- Ensure your family member holds a valid UAE employment or investor visa.
- Gather necessary documents, including marriage certificate (for spouses), birth certificates (for children), and proof of your sponsor's residency status.
- Partner with **Mosaic Chambers** to navigate the application process.



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