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With the ability to work from any jurisdiction, using technology to allow for freedom of living and working from wherever the digital nomad chooses – Malta represents an attractive option from a social, cultural, as well as regulatory and ease of doing business standpoint.

Boasting an average of 300 days of sun per year, with a rich tapestry of history and culture to explore, along with some of the finest beaches, bars, restaurants, clubs and scuba diving locations in the central Mediterranean – then we have seen the popularity of Malta explode as a hub for digital nomads looking for an adventure that is a little less ordinary. A digital nomad may legally reside in Malta, whilst holding employment based in another country i.e. working remotely using telecommunication technology.

The nomad permit is issued with a **validity of one year** and is renewable at the discretion of Residency Malta.

A nomad residence permit may be renewed twice for a total **maximum stay of 3 years**.

The nomad residence permit allows the holder to travel within the Schengen area for a maximum of 90 days in a rolling 180-day period. or stays of less than one-year national visas are issued.

The nomad can be joined by family members such as spouse, minor children and adult dependent.

# Applicants Eligibility

- Applicants must prove they can work remotely, using telecommunication technologies.

- Applicants must be third country nationals who would normally need a Visa to reside in Malta.
- Applicants have to prove that they fall under any one of the following 3 categories:
  - Employed work for an employer who is registered in a foreign country and have a contract of work;
  - Self-Employed conduct business activities for a company registered in a foreign country and of which applicant is partner/shareholder; or
  - Freelance or consulting services, are offered to clients in a foreign country, and with whom the applicant has an agreement in place.

- An applicant must reach a gross monthly income threshold of EUR 2,700.

Successful applicants, are given an in Principle approval letter and then have to submit proof of accommodation in Malta as well as a health insurance policy.

## Supporting Documentation

- A letter of intent which contains a declaration by the applicant, where s/he sets out the motivation for applying for the nomad residence and moving to Malta.
- International Passport
- Employment contract and official tax documentation
- Self-employment Documentary evidence of part/full ownership of business including accounts for the previous year, certificate of incorporation; memorandum and articles of association, share register and register of directors.
- Freelance activities Documentary evidence of all freelance activities including service contracts, duties performed and rate of payment;
- Europass CV
- Bank Statement showing main source of income in the past 3 months. This could include salary, dividends, director fees, rental income, interest from investments, shares, assets, etc.
- Comprehensive health insurance policy, showing all aspects being covered, which supports the applicant and all beneficiaries
- Health declaration a signed and dated declaration by the Applicant stating that he/ she will provide and pay for any expense not covered by the health insurance policy for himself/herself and each additional family member.
- Marriage Certificate
- Birth Certificate of family members
- Affidavit of Dependency Applicant must provide an affidavit of physical or economic dependency for each dependent over 18 years of age on date of application.
- Proof of Accommodation Applicant will be requested to submit a lease/purchase agreement once application is approved by the Agency.
- Completed Application Form N4 must be submitted for each individual included in the application.
- In the case of minor dependents, consent forms must be duly signed by both parents.
- All applicants aged 18 or over at the time of submission must provide the Residency Malta Agency with an original police conduct certificate issued by the competent national or federal authority in their country of origin.
- De facto partners unmarried couples who have maintained a stable and continuous relationship for a period exceeding two consecutive years—must provide adequate evidence substantiating the existence and duration of the relationship.
- If an applicant has legally changed their first name or surname, a copy of the official change of name document must be submitted as supporting evidence.
- In cases where custody or guardianship of a minor dependant has been granted through a court or legal ruling, the relevant official documentation must be submitted. For instance, if a parent has been awarded sole custody, a copy of the court or legal decision confirming this must be included.
- Declaration to Appoint a Representative If the Main Applicant (MA) appoints a representative, a declaration signed by both parties and a witness must be submitted. The Agency will treat all instructions from the representative as if issued by the applicant and bears no liability for resulting decisions.

#### Promethean Advisory Limited

Promethean Advisory Limited is a leading law firm and immigration specialist in Malta, which is best placed to assist you with an application under the Nomad Residency Programme – and can provide any ancillary support and advice as is required with respect to accommodation, education, and any others matters as may be required to make your stay in Malta a comfortable, pleasant and productive one.



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