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New Zealand Immigration – Visa

Entrepreneur Resident Visa

This visa is for people who have been self-employed in New Zealand at least 6 months, or have operated a business for two years on another visa that allows self-employment.

OVERVIEW

LENGTH OF STAY

Indefinitely

YOU CAN

- Continue to operate your own business in New Zealand.
- Live, work and study in New Zealand.
- Include your partner, and dependent children aged 24 and under, in your visa application.

THINGS TO NOTE

 If you apply after less than 2 years of being self-employed, you'll need to have an Entrepreneur Work Visa, have invested capital of at least NZ \$500,000 and have created 3 new jobs in New Zealand.

Global Impact Work Visa

Entrepreneurs and Investors accepted into the Edmund Hillary Fellowship can apply to Immigration New Zealand for a Global Impact Work Visa. This visa gives you the flexibility to work and live in New Zealand while establishing or supporting innovative ventures here. This visa is also a pathway to permanent residence.

OVERVIEW

LENGTH OF STAY

36 months

QUOTA

400 places over 4 years

YOU CAN

- Live, work and study in New Zealand for 36 months.
- Apply for permanent residence in New Zealand after 30 months on the Edmund Hillary Fellowship.

THINGS TO NOTE

- You can only apply for a Global Impact Work Visa once you have been selected by the Edmund Hillary Fellowship.
- You must remain on the Edmund Hillary Fellowship for 30 months before applying for permanent residence. To be eligible for residence, you must maintain the support of the Edmund Hillary Fellowship.
- You can't include a partner or dependent children in your work visa application, but they can apply for visas based on their relationship to you. They will need to meet residence health and character criteria. Explore family visa options.

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New Zealand Immigration - Investor

Entrepreneur Work Visa

This visa is for people who want to work in their own business in New Zealand. To apply, you'll need to provide a detailed business plan, have at least NZ \$100,000 to invest in your business and be able to claim 120 points on our points scale. If you're granted this visa, you can buy or set up a business without living here permanently, or as a first step towards New Zealand residence.

OVERVIEW

LENGTH OF STAY

12 months in the start-up stage of your visa, then another 24 months once you've shown us that you've set-up your business

YOU CAN

- Come to New Zealand to buy or set up your own business.
- Work in your own business in New Zealand for up to 3 years in total.
- Include your partner, and dependent children aged 19 and under, in your visa application.

THINGS TO NOTE

- If your business is in the science or ICT sectors, shows a high level of innovation or export potential, we may consider waiving the NZ \$100,000 capital investment requirement.
- We won't be able to grant you an Entrepreneur Work Visa if you've been made bankrupt or been involved in a business failure in the last 5 years.
- If you've been involved in any kind of business fraud or financial wrongdoing, we won't be able to grant you a visa.

Investor 1 Resident Visa

If you have NZ \$10 million to invest in New Zealand over a 3-year period, you can apply for New Zealand residence. If you're granted residence you can come to New Zealand with your family and enjoy our unique lifestyle.

OVERVIEW

LENGTH OF STAY

Indefinitely

YOU CAN

- Live, work and study in New Zealand.
- Include your partner, and dependent children aged 24 and under, in your visa application.

THINGS TO NOTE

 You may be able to bring your car, boat and household items to New Zealand, free of customs charges.

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New Zealand Immigration - Investor

Investor 2 Resident Visa

Experienced business people who have a minimum of NZD \$3 million in available funds or assets can apply for New Zealand residence. Before you can apply, we'll first need you to send us an Expression of Interest telling us about your business experience and investment. If your Expression of Interest is successful we'll invite you and your partner and dependent children to apply for New Zealand residence.

OVERVIEW

LENGTH OF STAY

Indefinitely

AGE RANGE

Up to 65

QUOTA

400 per year

YOU CAN

- Live, work and study in New Zealand.
- Include your partner, and dependent children aged 24 and under, in your visa application.

THINGS TO NOTE

- We use a points-based system to assess eligibility for Investor 2 Resident Visas.
- If your expression of interest is selected and we invite you to apply for residence, you'll have 4 months to send us your application.

Check your points for Investor 2 Resident Visa

For further information visit https://www.immigration.govt.nz/new-zealand-visas