

## NEW ZEALAND

### Investor Visa (Investor 2)

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#### Advantages

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- Spouse and children up to 25 years of age may be included
- Healthy and pleasant environment
- Stable regulatory regime
- Beautiful location with an amazing wildlife and diverse landscapes
- High standard of living
- One of the most advanced education and healthcare systems in the world
- Multicultural society
- Possibility to apply for New Zealand citizenship after 5 years of permanent residency

#### General Requirements

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- Investment of at least NZ1.5 million must be made into an acceptable investment for a minimum of four years
- In addition to the investment sum, applicants must have further available net assets of at least NZ1 million
- Physical residence of a minimum of 146 days in each of the last three years of the four-year investment period
- Demonstrate at least 3 years of business experience
- The applicant and any dependents aged 16 or older must satisfy English language requirements
- Aged 65 years or younger
- The applicant must meet New Zealand health and character requirements
- Points based application system
- Quota of 300 residence applications per year, and selection based on highest points totals

#### Investment fund requirements

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- Proof that the applicant is the lawful owner of the funds
- The applicant must prove that assets or funds have been acquired legally
- Sufficient unencumbered funds to make the investment
- Funds transferable through the banking system
- The investment needs to be capable of a commercial return
- The funds have to be invested in New Zealand currency
- The investment cannot be used for a personal purpose

#### Acceptable Investments

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- New Zealand government bonds or local authorities, bonds issued by New Zealand registered banks
- Equity in New Zealand firms, public/private
- Managed funds where the amount invested relates wholly to New Zealand companies
- New residential property developments, which are regularly approved by competent authorities

#### Process

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- Submit an Expression of Interest (EOI) form and need to satisfy an eligibility point test
- The eligibility criteria are age, business experience, English language, and investment funds
- Nominated applicants will receive an Invitation to apply
- Transfer of the nominated investment funds along with the supporting documents showing that the transferred funds came from the funds with which the applicants is nominated
- Once the resident visa is granted, spouse and children must come into NZ within 12 months
- Possibility to apply for permanent residence at the end of the investment period, if the investment is maintained
- Possibility to apply for New Zealand Citizenship after 5 years of residency