

UNITED KINGDOM

Points based system: Tier 1 (Investor)



Advantages

- One of the highest standard of living in the world and a member of the G-7 group of countries
- Diverse and multicultural society, represented by large cultural and ethnic communities
- A high standard of education with a broad network of state and private schools, and more than 150 universities and higher education institutions
- One of the best free medical care services in the world
- London is a notorious European financial business center
- The travel mobility and security of a UK passport

Requirements

- To qualify for the UK Immigrant Investor Program you must satisfy to one of the following prescribed investment levels:

Net Personal Assets	Investment
£4,000,000	£2,000,000
£10,000,000	£5,000,000
£20,000,000	£10,000,000

- The applicant must be able to maintain and accommodate themselves and any dependents without taking employment (other than self-employment or business)
- The applicant must make the UK their main home and spend at least 50% of their time in the UK (6 out of 12 months) in order to maintain the visa status
- Applicants must provide an overseas criminal record certificate

Investment

The applicant must invest 100% of the specified investment amount of capital by way of UK Government bonds, share capital or loan capital in active and trading UK registered companies

Process

- The visa application shall be submitted to UK embassy or consulate
- Upon successful visa application, an initial 3-year visa will be issued
- The visa can be extended for a further 2 years providing that the applicant maintains the investment
- Indefinite Leave to Remain (ILR) can be applied for after a variable period depending upon the amount invested as follows;
 - An investment of £2,000,000 entitles the applicant to apply for ILR after 5 years
 - An investment of £5,000,000 entitles the applicant to apply for ILR after 3 years
 - An investment of £10,000,000 entitles the applicant to apply for ILR after 2 years

Permanent residency

- Foreign nationals must apply for Indefinite Leave to Remain to become UK permanent residents
- Applicants must spend at least 10 months per year in the UK
- Applicants must demonstrate a knowledge of English and life in the UK
- Permanent residents have the freedom to live and work in the UK without any restriction

Citizenship

Applications for citizenship can be made after holding permanent residency for at least 12 months