

INFORMATION FOR UK NATIONALS IN PORTUGAL



British Embassy
Lisbon

Registering as a resident:

- If you plan to reside in Portugal more than 3 months, under Portuguese law you are required to register as a resident.
- You must register as a resident in order to access services such as healthcare, schools and social security. You can also be fined up to €1500 if your paperwork is not in order.

How?

- Register at your local *Câmara Municipal* (town hall) to obtain a *Certificado de Registo para cidadão da UE*, a registration certificate which is valid for 5 years.
- After 5 years, you can ask for a permanent residence certificate (*Certificado de Residência Permanente para Cidadão da UE*). This time you will need to apply to the immigration authorities (*Serviço de Estrangeiros e Fronteiras - SEF*). This is valid for 10 years.

For more information on registering as a resident, visit
www.gov.uk/guidance/living-in-portugal.

Concerned about Brexit?

Knowing where to get up to date information can be confusing. If you would like to know more about how the UK's exit from the EU could affect you, we recommend you:

- Type '**UK nationals in the EU: essential information**' in the search box on www.gov.uk. This page explains the progress of negotiations on citizens' rights and what the Withdrawal Agreement might mean for you.
- Look at the information on the **Living in Portugal** guide on gov.uk and **sign up for email alerts** to be the first to know when information on this page, or related to Brexit, is updated.
- **Follow Brits in Portugal on facebook**, where we provide updates and advertise outreach events across Portugal.