TEMPORARY RESIDENCE PERMIT FOR INVESTORS

Who can apply?

Persons that make an investment in Costa Rica of over US$ 200,000.

Requirements for the application process in Costa Rica:

1. Application form.
2. Application letter with the following information:

1. reason for the application
2. full name
3. nationality
4. marital status
5. age
6. occupation
7. current residence address
8. contact information for notifications
9. the letter will be signed in front of the consul on the day of the appointment

10. Original and copy of an investment project of US$ 200,000 in areas that contribute to the economic and/or social development of the country (includes personal investments, such as the acquisition of a property). The project must be described in detail, according to the guidelines found here (in Spanish).
11. 3 recent passport-size photos.
12. Original and copy of documents that demonstrate that the applicant has enough resources to finance the investment. The documents must be duly apostilled .
13. Original and copy of the following documents with less than 6 months of issuance and duly apostilled :

1. International birth certificate.
2. Criminal record from the place where the applicant has lived during the last 3 years.

3. Copy of all the pages of the passport. The passport must have a minimum validity of 6

months.

4. Payment receipt of US$ 50.00, indicating the name of the foreign person. This money must be transferred in Colones to the account 242480-0 of the Bank of Costa Rica (Banco de Costa Rica).
5. Payment receipt for stamps, indicating the name of the foreign person, of the amount of ¢ 125 and ¢ 2.50; for each sheet submitted with the application, to the account 242480-0 of the Bank of Costa Rica (Banco de Costa Rica).
6. Report of finger prints taken by the Ministry of Public Security (Archivo Policial del Ministerio de Seguridad Pública).
7. Proof of registration at the Embassy of the applicant's home country in Costa Rica.

Legal Basis:

- - Law 8764 of Migration and Foreign Affairs, Title VI, Chapter II. (Ley 8764 General de Migración y Extranjería).

For additional information, please click here (in Spanish).