

NEW ZEALAND

Investor Visa (Investor 1)



Advantages

- Duration of visa: Indefinite
- Spouse and children aged 24 and under may be included
- Healthy and pleasant environment
- Stable regulatory regime
- Beautiful location with an amazing wildlife and diverse landscapes with a 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 and intend to continue living there
- Possibility to bring the applicant's car, boat and household items to New Zealand, free of customs charges

General Requirements

- Meet New Zealand health and character requirements
- Investment of NZ 10 million into acceptable investments (can be multiple) for a minimum of 3 years – NB: there is no requirement of a minimum investment amount for each category)
- Physical residence of a minimum of 44 days in each of the last 2 of the 3-year investment period; or 88 days at any time over the 3-year investment period if the applicant has invested a minimum of NZD 2.5 million in growth investments
- At the end of the 3-year investment period, subject to maintain all of the criteria for the duration, possibility to apply for a permanent resident visa for the applicant and any family member included in the application, and eventually citizenship

Investment fund requirements

- Proof of legal acquisition and ownership of the assets or funds
- Sufficient unencumbered funds to make the investment
- Funds transferable through the banking system
- Investment capable of a commercial return
- Funds invested in New Zealand currency
- Investment not used for a personal purpose

Acceptable Investments

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

Process

- Application forms preparation and submission, together with payment of all fees
- Consideration of application and supporting documentation
- Upon approval-in-principal, transfer of the funds and investment in acceptable investments within 12 months (possible extension to 18 months)
- Submission of documents supporting that the funds come from the same source than the one named in the application
- Visa granting