Immigration Law

A practical overview of **residency options in the UAE**: employment visas, investor visas, Golden Visas, family sponsorship, and passport-related immigration issues.

CORE AREAS

EMPLOYMENT RESIDENCE

Standard employment residence is sponsored by a UAE employer and linked to a valid work permit, employment contract, and medical fitness test. It remains the most common residency pathway in the UAE.

INVESTOR & PARTNER VISAS

Business owners, partners, and shareholders may qualify for UAE residence through a licensed company. Eligibility depends on the company structure, shareholding, license activity, and the rules of the relevant Emirate or free zone.

GOLDEN & GREEN VISAS

Golden Visas offer long-term, self-sponsored residence for eligible investors, professionals, entrepreneurs, students, and others. Green Visas cover skilled employees, freelancers, and the self-employed.

FAMILY SPONSORSHIP

UAE residents may sponsor eligible family members if they meet income, housing, insurance, and documentation requirements. Family documents usually require attestation and legal translation.

KEY CONCEPTS

VISA ELIGIBILITY

Common UAE residency pathways include employment, company ownership, property investment, Golden Visa, Green Visa, retirement visa, student visa, and family sponsorship. Each category has its own conditions, documents, and validity period.

MULTIPLE NATIONALITIES

UAE residency is tied to the passport used when the visa is issued. Residents with more than one nationality should use the same passport for UAE entry, exit, and renewal unless their immigration file has been formally updated.

Planning your next chapter in the UAE?

Our team can guide you through visa applications, residency requirements, and specialised visa options.

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