

Law 4825/2021, Article 11

Digital Nomads

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Third-country nationals, self-employed or employed, who work remotely using Information and Communication Technologies (ICT) with employers or clients outside Greece (digital nomads) **are granted a visa for a period of up to twelve (12) months.**

i) The national visa is issued to the person concerned, provided that **the applicant presents himself in person or sends by e-mail or registered letter to the competent Greek consular authority** which is obliged to respond within ten (10) days from the relevant request of the interested party and **to complete the visa issuance procedure in "One Stop Shop"**, except for the general supporting documents as defined in the ministerial decision of par. 16 of article 136, the following:

- a) A solemn declaration, stating the intention to reside in the country with the national entry visa for the provision of distance work and his commitment that he will not in any way provide work or services or work to an employer based in Greece,
- b) An employment or work contract or proof of employment with an employer, natural or legal person, who is established outside the Greek Territory, for an indefinite period or in case of a fixed-term contract with a remaining duration covering the period of the national visa issued, or
- c) Employment or work contracts of indefinite duration or, in the case of a fixed-term employment contract, with a remaining duration covering the period of validity of the visa issued, in case the third country national is self-employed with more than one employer established outside Greece, or
- d) Information on the status of applicant in the undertaking, as well as information on the name, registered office, field of activity and corporate purpose of the undertaking in the event that the third-country national is self-employed in his or her own undertaking, which is outside of the Greek Territory,
- e) Evidence that he/she has sufficient resources, at a stable income level, to cover his living expenses during his stay in the country, without being burdened by the national social welfare system. The amount of sufficient resources is set at three and a half thousand (3,500) euros per month and is proved: i) by the employment or project contract or the proof of employment, in the case of dependent work, services or project or ii) from a bank account, according to circumstance n. If sufficient resources come from hired services, services or work, the above minimum amount refers to net income after payment of the required taxes in the country of benefit of work.

The above amount is increased by twenty percent (20%) for the spouse or cohabitant and by fifteen percent (15%) for each child. The amount of sufficient resources may be redefined by the joint ministerial decision of article 136, g) national visa fee of seventy-five (75) €.

ii. The above third-country nationals may be accompanied by their family members, who are granted, upon request, an individual visa which expires at the same time as the dependent visa. During their stay in Greece, the spouse or partner and family members of the breadwinner are not allowed to provide dependent work or to engage in any form of economic activity in the country.

Family members means a) the other spouse or with whom the third-country national has entered into a cohabitation agreement; is automatically enforceable or has been declared enforceable or the convicted person has been recognized in Greece and c) the other, under eighteen (18) years of age, unmarried children of the sponsor or other spouse or cohabitant, provided that custody has been legally entrusted to him / her by the children of the sponsor, and for the children of the other spouse or cohabitant in him / her.

iii. If the conditions of circumstance i) continue to apply, the third-country national and his / her family members may be granted a two-year residence permit upon application before the expiry of the national visa, subject to Article 6. This leave does not confer the right to dependent employment or self-employment.

activity of any kind in Greece, both for the breadwinner and for his / her spouse or partner and members of his / her family of case ii), and may be renewed every two years, each time, provided that the conditions continue to be met. of approx. i). The application is submitted to the one-stop service of the Ministry of Immigration and Asylum.

iv. The application of the guardian for the issuance of the residence permit of case iii) is accompanied by a fee of one thousand (1,000€) euros, while his family members submit the fee provided by this fee, as family members of the third country citizen.

vi. Periods of absence from the country do not hinder the renewal of the residence permit, as long as they do not exceed six (6) months per year, applied for the rest of par. 6 of article 21.

vii. By way of derogation from the above, a third country citizen, as well as members of his family, who meet the conditions of circumstance: i) and have entered the Greek Territory either with a uniform visa or with a visa waiver regime, have the opportunity, within the period to apply to the one-stop shop of the Ministry of Immigration and Asylum for the issuance of a residence permit of case iii) In this case and with Without prejudice to Article 6, in addition to the supporting documents of item (i), the applicants shall also submit a residence lease or a contract for the purchase of real estate in the Greek Territory".

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