

Your relocation research, organised

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Illustrative Spain research plan

Research goal: retire abroad | Household: solo | Timing: year

Questions recorded for investigation

Which documents, application stages and costs should I confirm for my situation?

Your planning answers

Current residence: United States (illustrative). Application jurisdiction: not confirmed.

Additional citizenships: not supplied. Target month: not chosen; current stage: exploring.

Priorities: Application effort, Total cost.

Income evidence category: unknown; document preparation: some.

Your selected route

Spain: Spain non-lucrative residence visa

Means test: 400% of monthly IPREM for the principal applicant, plus 100% for each accompanying family member, for the required initial period. Confirm the current euro equivalent with the competent consulate; fees are additional.

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You chose these routes. This document organises public evidence and the questions still to resolve. It does not determine eligibility or include individual professional review.

Planning from the United States

Passport or nationality recorded: United States (illustrative). This does not determine eligibility.

Confirm the passport you will use, your lawful US residence and the consular office covering your US address. US residence does not establish US citizenship or visa eligibility.

Confirm the permitted activities for the route, including any work restrictions. Check each household member separately before relying on a residence permission.

Check background-record jurisdictions, document validity windows, apostilles, certified translations and each household member's documents before ordering them.

Ask a qualified adviser about US and destination-country tax filing, foreign-account reporting, healthcare and any applicable relief before committing.

IRS: US citizens and residents abroad

US citizens and resident aliens generally remain subject to US filing rules on worldwide income. Ask a qualified cross-border adviser which filing, reporting and relief rules apply to you.

<https://www.irs.gov/individuals/international-taxpayers/us-citizens-and-residents-abroad-filing-requirements>

US State Department: preparing documents for use abroad

Identify which documents need authentication or an apostille and which authority issues it. Confirm the destination authority's current checklist before ordering documents.

<https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/replace-certify-docs/authenticate-your-document.html>

Spain: Spain non-lucrative residence visa

Spain's non-lucrative residence route allows financially self-sufficient applicants to live in Spain without employment or professional activity. Remote work is not permitted under this route. The ministry's means requirement increases for accompanying relatives.

Published financial conditions

Means test: 400% of monthly IPREM for the principal applicant, plus 100% for each accompanying family member, for the required initial period. Confirm the current euro equivalent with the competent consulate; fees are additional.

These conditions are not a total application or relocation fee quote.

Documents and requirements to check

Provide sufficient resources for the initial year, health insurance from an insurer authorised in Spain, a medical certificate and the required criminal-record documents. Apply at the competent consulate for your place of residence and undertake not to work. Confirm the permitted family categories and each person's documentary requirements with the consulate.

Unresolved questions

Check whether this route fits your plans

This permission is for residence without employment or professional activity. Remote work is not permitted under this route: UGE explicitly distinguishes it from international telework permission. If you intend to keep working, compare the international telework route.

Prepare documents and means

Apply through the Spanish consulate responsible for where you live. The ministry lists the application form, a full passport copy with at least one year's validity, criminal-record evidence, a medical certificate, authorised health insurance and proof of sufficient resources. Monthly means are 400% of IPREM for the principal and 100% per accompanying family member. Confirm the current euro amount and family-specific document list with the competent consulate. These resources are not a government fee. Foreign public documents may require sworn translation and legalisation or an apostille, subject to applicable exemptions.

Plan collection and arrival

The ministry describes an initial one-year residence authorisation starting on entry. It gives one month from notification to collect a granted visa, and one month after entry to request the foreigner identity card (TIE). Confirm the issued visa's entry deadline and the consulate's instructions before booking travel; visa validity and residence duration are different. Keep application charges, translations and legalisation costs separate from your living budget.

Official evidence and review dates

Internally checked by WhereCanIMove systems. Checked 2026-10-28; review due 2026-11-04. Generating this pack does not renew the check.

Spain Ministry of Inclusion, Social Security and Migration

<https://inclusion.gob.es/en/web/migraciones/w/autorizacion-inicial-de-residencia-temporal-no-lucrativa>

Spain Ministry of Inclusion, Social Security and Migration - UGE

<https://www.inclusion.gob.es/documents/d/unidadgrandesempresas/nomadas-digitales-faqs-espanol>

Full programme record and source locators

<https://wherecanimove.com/programme/spain-non-lucrative-visa-nlv>

Spain: Spain non-lucrative residence visa preparation guide

Spain's non-lucrative residence route allows financially self-sufficient applicants to live in Spain without employment or professional activity. Remote work is not permitted under this route. The ministry's means requirement increases for accompanying relatives.

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Your document list by person

Primary applicant: Passport, application and record checks

The ministry lists the application and full passport copy with at least one year's validity, criminal-record evidence and a medical certificate; confirm the exact consulate's validity and legalisation rules.

Spain Ministry of Inclusion, Social Security and Migration - Sheet 6: ministry page lines 329-404; requirements, IPREM formula, documents and procedure. Re-read 28 October 2026; scoped source review only.

Primary applicant: Household resources

Document sufficient means for the initial year using 400% of IPREM for the principal and 100% per accompanying family member. Confirm the current monetary amount.

Spain Ministry of Inclusion, Social Security and Migration - Sheet 6: ministry page lines 329-404; requirements, IPREM formula, documents and procedure. Re-read 28 October 2026; scoped source review only.

Primary applicant: Authorised health insurance

Obtain the policy and certificate required from an insurer authorised in Spain. This is separate from the application fee.

Spain Ministry of Inclusion, Social Security and Migration - Sheet 6: ministry page lines 329-404; requirements, IPREM formula, documents and procedure. Re-read 28 October 2026; scoped source review only.

Before choosing

1. Confirm you will not work under this route

Non-lucrative residence does not authorise employment or professional activity, including remote work. If you plan to keep a job, investigate telework permission instead.

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Spain Ministry of Inclusion, Social Security and Migration - UGE - Spanish UGE FAQ, pages 1-6: questions 4-6, 11-20, returned lines 22-170. Adult third-country scope, remote activity, social security, insurance/criminal history, work limits, visa/family, income formula and initial in-country fee. Re-read 28 October 2026.

Application

1. Apply at the consulate for your residence

Assemble the official form, resources, passport, insurance, medical and criminal-record file. Confirm translations/legalisation and each dependant's evidence.

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Before moving

1. Collect the granted visa and check entry instructions

The ministry gives one month from notification to collect a granted visa. Follow the issued visa's actual entry deadline; do not confuse visa and residence duration.

Timing: Collection within one month from notification, subject to the current authority instructions.

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After arrival

1. Request the foreigner identity card

The ministry's procedure gives one month after entry to request the TIE. Keep entry evidence and follow the police/office appointment and document instructions.

Timing: Request TIE within one month after entry.

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Renewals

1. Prepare for the next residence application

Record the initial one-year residence authorisation from entry. Check the then-current extension, means, insurance and permitted-activity conditions well before expiry.

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Confirm before acting

Confirm the competent consulate or residence office, current application charges, document validity and each household member's permission before submitting.

Your planned move date is not an appointment, approval or legal deadline. This guide includes no individual application preparation or tax assessment.

Your action checklist

Before choosing

- ☐ Confirm the authority for your current residence before using a consulate-specific checklist.
- ☐ Cost is a priority: obtain separate government, translation, insurance and professional quotes; keep qualifying income/capital outside the spending subtotal.
- ☐ Confirm you will not work under this route
- ☐ Confirm the passport you will use, your lawful US residence and the consular office covering your US address. US residence does not establish US citizenship or visa eligibility.
- ☐ Confirm the permitted activities for the route, including any work restrictions. Check each household member separately before relying on a residence permission.
- ☐ Check background-record jurisdictions, document validity windows, apostilles, certified translations and each household member's documents before ordering them.
- ☐ Ask a qualified adviser about US and destination-country tax filing, foreign-account reporting, healthcare and any applicable relief before committing.

Before applying

- ☐ Order only the documents on the selected authority checklist; confirm validity windows before paying for checks.
- ☐ Primary applicant: Passport, application and record checks
- ☐ Primary applicant: Household resources
- ☐ Primary applicant: Authorised health insurance
- ☐ Confirm which documents and permissions apply to your household.

Application

- ☐ Apply at the consulate for your residence

Before moving

- ☐ Collect the granted visa and check entry instructions
- ☐ Complete your budget worksheet using actual quotes. Unknown costs are not zero.
- ☐ Ask a qualified adviser about tax residence, home-country obligations and healthcare before committing.

After arrival

- ☐ Request the foreigner identity card

Renewals

- ☐ Prepare for the next residence application

Your budget worksheet

Your own researched amounts in one currency. Income or capital qualification thresholds are separate from money spent. Unknown items remain unknown; this is not a complete cost estimate.

Application and government fees: Unknown - obtain a quote

Professional advice: Unknown - obtain a quote

Documents and translations: Unknown - obtain a quote

Travel: Unknown - obtain a quote

Moving and shipping: Unknown - obtain a quote

Housing and deposits: Unknown - obtain a quote

Insurance and healthcare: Unknown - obtain a quote

Contingency: Unknown - obtain a quote

Scope, corrections and support

An automated research guide for the route or routes you chose, personalised to your recorded planning answers. No individual professional review or eligibility decision is included.

Official conditions can change. Each route keeps its original source and internal-check dates; generating this pack does not renew them.

Financial conditions are not a total fee quote. Published information and unanswered questions need confirmation before applying.

No application preparation, visa approval, citizenship, tax outcome or agency availability is promised.

Your saved checklist and budget are reflected at download time. The original route snapshot retains its evidence dates. Report a source error at <https://wherecanimove.com/corrections>. For order or refund help: jack@wherecanimove.com.