



SOUTH AFRICAN EMBASSY: BRASÍLIA
SOUTH AFRICAN CONSULATE-GENERAL: SÃO PAULO

SOUTH AFRICAN PERMANENT RESIDENCE

Document(s) to be submitted

- Passport photograph measuring 3.5 x 4.5 cm.
- Valid passport.
- Full birth certificate, or extract from birth record.
- Medical report – All applicants.
- Radiological report – *All applicants 12 years of age and older (excluding pregnant women).*
- Police clearance certificate(s) – *Where applicant lived for 12 months or longer, since the age of 18.*
- Marriage certificate or extract from marriage record / Proof of registration of customary marriage in terms of Recognition of Customary Marriages Act. 1998 (Act No. 120 of 1998), where applicable / Spousal affidavit.
Documentary proof of cohabitation and extent to which the related financial responsibilities are shared by the parties. – *All married applicants or parties to a spousal relationship.*
- Divorce decree(s) or proof of legal separation and all related court orders regarding custody and maintenance of children previous spouse(s). – *All applicants who are divorced or legally separated.*
- Written consent of both parents in the case of minor children where only one of the parents is immigrating.
- Death certificate of late spouse, where applicable.
- Highest educational, trade or professional certificates evaluated by the South African Qualifications Authority. – *All applicants who will be employed in the Republic.*
- Work references or certificates of service (covering at least the last five years) – *All applicants who will be employed in the Republic.*

Section 26(a) of the Act

- Proof of five years continuous work permit status.
- Proof of registration with professional body, board or council in the Republic, if applicable.
- Offer of permanent employment.

Section 26(b) of the Act

- Proof that applicant has been spouse of citizen or permanent resident for five years.
- Declaration of support for the application by the spouse who is a citizen or permanent resident.
- Identity document of the spouse who is the citizen or permanent resident. If the spouse is a permanent resident, a copy of his or her permanent residence permit must be attached.

Section 26(c) of the Act – (Refers to children of South African Citizen(s) or Permanent Residence Holder below the age of 21)

- Consent of both parents or guardian, together with an undertaking to provide financial support to the applicant.

Section 26(d) of the Act – (Refers to children of South African Citizen(s) or Permanent Residence Holder above the age of 21)

- An undertaking by the parents to provide the required financial support (if required) to the applicant.

Section 27(a) of the Act

- Offer of permanent employment. (The work offer must clearly state the occupation to be followed and salary and benefits offered and, may not be older than three months at the time of submission.
- Proof by the employer that the position exists and that the position and related job description was advertised as contemplated in regulation 23(1) and that no suitably qualified citizen or permanent resident was available to fill the position.
 - (1) The advertisement contemplated in section 27(a)(i) of the Act shall be an original clipping from the national printed media and shall:
 - (a) reflect the full particulars of the relevant newspaper or magazine, as well as the dates on which the advertisement was published;
 - (b) stipulate the minimum qualifications and experience required to fill the position;
 - (c) clearly define the position offered and the responsibilities to be performed;
 - (d) measure at least 60 millimeters by 60 millimeters;
 - (e) state the closing date for the application in the advertisement; and
 - (f) not be older than three months at the time of application, which period shall be calculated from the closing date for applications.
- A certificate from the Department of Labour or an extraction from the database of a salary benchmarking organisation detailing the average salary earned by a person occupying a similar position in the Republic and that the terms and conditions of the work offer are not inferior to those prevailing in the relevant market sector for citizens or permanent residents.

Section 27(b) of the Act – (Exceptional skills)

- Testimonials from previous employers, if applicable.
- A comprehensive curriculum vitae.
- A letter from a foreign or South African organ of state or from an established South African academic, cultural or business body confirming the applicant's extraordinary skills or qualifications.
- Other proof to substantiate extraordinary skills or qualifications, such as publications and testimonials.

Section 27(c) of the Act – (Businessman/woman/Investors)

- Certification of viability of the business by a chartered accountant.
- Certification by a chartered accountant that at least the minimum monetary amount or capital contribution originating from abroad shall be invested as part of the book value of the business.
- Undertaking to register with the appropriate statutory body, if required by the nature of business.
- Business plan outlining the short and long term viability of the business.
- Proof or undertaking that at least five citizens or permanent residents will be employed.
- Proof that the business is or will be in one of the sectors contemplated in regulation 23(6):
 - (1) Information and Communication Technology;
 - (2) Clothing and Textile Manufacturing;
 - (3) Chemical and Bio-Technology;
 - (4) Agro-Processing;
 - (5) Metals and Minerals Refinement;
 - (6) Tourism;
 - (7) Crafts;
 - (8) Automotive Manufacturing Industry.
- Where the application is in respect of an investment in an existing business, a partnership agreement and financial statement in respect of the preceding financial year.
- Proof or undertaking of registration with the South African Revenue Service.

Section 27(d) of the Act – (Refugees)

- Proof of five years continuous refugee status in the Republic.
- Certification from the Standing Committee for Refugee Affairs that applicant will remain a refugee indefinitely.

Section 27(e) of the Act – (Retired persons)

- Proof that applicant has the right to a pension or irrevocable retirement annuity or net worth contemplated in regulation 23(10) i.e R20 000 per month.

Section 27(f) of the Act

- Proof that the applicant has the minimum net worth contemplated in regulation 23(11) i.e R7.5 million.
- Payment of R75 000 to the Director-General.

Section 27(g) of the Act – (Relatives)

- Proof of kinship or relationship (parents, children or spouses).
- Undertaking by citizen or permanent resident regarding financial, medical, physical and emotional responsibility for applicant (not applicable where the relative is the parent of a minor child of a citizen or permanent resident).

**** Applications and payment must be made in person at the Embassy or Consulate***