

Malta

Citizenship-by-Investment Programme

Malta, officially known as the Republic of Malta, is a Southern European island nation in the Mediterranean Sea, lying 80 km south of Italy. It is an extremely attractive place to live or to own a second home and is strategically located with excellent air links.

Its proximity to the sea, 300 days of sunshine coupled with lowest crime rates in Europe make it one of the most favoured destinations in Europe.

Maltese Individual Investor Programme (IIP)- Requirements

Applicants must fulfill all of the following criteria:

- **Contribution** – Make a non-refundable contribution to the National Development and Social Fund which is €650,000 for main applicant, €25,000 for spouse and each dependant under 18 years of age or €50,000 for each dependant over 18 years of age.
- **Investment** – Invest €150,000 into Maltese government bonds (or via approved funds for the same) for at least 5 years.
- **Property** – Hold a residence in Malta for at least 5 years, either by leasing a a property with annual rent over €16,000 or purchase of a property with value over €350,000.
- **Health Insurance** – Global cover with no exclusions covering at least €50,000 per family member.

Timescales

Citizenship is normally granted within 18 months of submission.



Benefits of obtaining citizenship

- The right to live, work and study in any of the 28 EU countries and Switzerland.
- Minimal presence required.
- Travel visa-free to 173 countries, including the EU and Canada.
- Once granted, citizenship is valid for life, and is hereditary for direct family members.

Key Facts



- Member of the EU since 2004, and Schengen Area since 2007.



- Enjoys stable political climate with a low risk of financial instability.



- Maltese Government is very much pro-business, and creating a company in Malta is straightforward.



- Legislation and tax system are amongst the most favourable in Europe.



- English is the official language of Malta (alongside Maltese), and is widely spoken.



- Citizens have access to an excellent healthcare system provided free to Maltese citizens, and high quality international education is available for children.



- Required investment from approx. €1 million.

