



Changes to Residency in the Republic of Mauritius

The yearly budget was presented on 11 June 2021. Some changes to these regimes were announced. These proposed changes will shortly be subject to vote in Parliament.

Immigration & Residency

- ❖ The validity of an Occupation Permit for Professionals will be extended to ten years instead of three years.
- ❖ Non-citizens who have an Occupation Permit as Professional will be given the possibility to switch job without having to submit a new application.
- ❖ Self-employed permit holders will be allowed to incorporate a one-man company and recruit administrative employees.
- ❖ Young Professional Occupation Permit will be reviewed and the validity will be for ten years, post studies.
- ❖ Spouses of Occupation Permit holders will be able to invest and work in Mauritius and shall be exempted from applying for a work permit.
- ❖ The age limit of 24 years for dependents will be waived.
- ❖ Requirement for Business Visa will be waived and non-citizens will be able to apply for an Occupation Permit irrespective of the visa obtained upon arrival.
- ❖ The monthly salary of Occupation Permit as Professionals will be brought down to MUR 30,000 in the financial sector.
- ❖ A new category of Permit, “Family Occupation Permit” will be introduced and will be valid for a period of ten years for those contributing an amount of USD 250,000 to the COVID-19 Projects Development Fund.
- ❖ Permanent Residence Permit holders will be extended to twenty years instead of ten years. They will also be able to renew their permits and will be given the flexibility to switch between the Investor, Professional or Retired Non-Citizen permit.
- ❖ Work permits will be extended to allow Non-Citizen residents to bring foreign carers and maid to work in Mauritius.

AAMIL will keep you informed when these measures have been implemented by the Government of Mauritius. For further information, please contact us on +230 210 1000 or on info@aamil.com.

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