

Spain

A practical guide for your journey

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01 / The essentials

INCOME REFERENCE

200% of current SMI

LENGTH OF STAY

1 year visa or 3 year in-country authorization

FAMILY

+75% SMI first relative; +25% each further relative

APPLICATION ROUTE

Embassy / Consulate or UGE-CE

Non-EU nationals working remotely for foreign companies. Employees must work for companies outside Spain. Self-employed applicants may have Spanish clients within the permitted 20% limit.

REVIEW - 2026-10-26

Rechecked UGE main and family checklists, current English FAQ and consolidated Law 14/2013. Confirmed work/company evidence, gross SMI family formula, income and bank matching, dependent eligibility/health cover, employee and RETA rules, police/translation requirements, residence duration and €73.26 initial fee per person. Formula-based calculator retained; no rule change found.

02 / Your document checklist

Tick each item as you prepare it. Items that depend on your circumstances still need the official filing checklist.

- ☐ 01 Signed national visa form or UGE MIT application, depending on the filing route; authority to represent the applicant if applicable.
- ☐ 02 Complete valid passport and proof of legal residence or lawful presence for the filing route.
- ☐ 03 Employment/service contract and evidence of at least three months of the professional relationship.
- ☐ 04 Remote-work letter describing duties, exclusively remote working arrangements, euro remuneration and terms; foreign-business evidence showing at least one year of real activity.
- ☐ 05 Company owners with sole ownership or effective control: ownership/control records, latest corporate tax return, productive-investment evidence and official employee/social-security history or equivalent.
- ☐ 06 CV and recognised qualification, or at least three years of relevant professional experience with the authority's required corroborating records.
- ☐ 07 Three months of payslips/invoices and signed/stamped bank evidence, with matching income transactions expressly identified.
- ☐ 08 If work income is below the threshold: current signed/stamped bank certificates showing liquid resources covering the shortfall for the whole requested authorisation.
- ☐ 09 Police certificates for countries of residence during the last two years, plus a no-criminal-record declaration covering the last five years; check the stated exemptions.
- ☐ 10 Employees: foreign-employer Spanish social-security registration and undertaking to register the worker, or an accepted treaty certificate expressly covering remote work in Spain.

- ☐ 11 Self-employed applicants: undertaking to register in Spain's RETA before beginning the activity after approval; the current UGE FAQ excludes importing bilateral social-security coverage for this category.
- ☐ 12 Accepted public/private health cover where required; travel-only, reimbursement-only, co-payment and waiting-period policies are not accepted.
- ☐ 13 Foreign public documents apostilled/legalised and official Spanish translations as required.
- ☐ 14 Each family member: signed application, complete passport, fee and marriage/birth/partnership records; adult children and ascendants need the specific dependency evidence.
- ☐ 15 Adult family members: required police certificate/declaration; each relative must have qualifying healthcare coverage or established beneficiary entitlement.
- ☐ 16 UGE initial fee: €73.26 per applicant, including each family member, with NRC and payment proof; consular fees and identity/NIE requirements depend on the filing route.

03 / Your next steps

- 01** Outside Spain: apply at the Spanish embassy/consulate. Inside Spain while legally present: apply through UGE-CE.
- 02** UGE income rule: 200% of current SMI, plus 75% for the first relative and 25% for each further relative, gross before deductions.
- 03** Employees work for foreign employers; self-employed work for Spanish companies is limited to 20% of professional activity.
- 04** Consular visa: up to one year. A qualifying application while legally in Spain may receive a residence authorisation up to three years.
- 05** Sufyan Abroad recommends inside-Spain submission for eligible applicants who are lawfully present: up to three-year residence authorisation, online UGE-CE filing and coordinated family applications. Prepare the documents and confirm lawful entry and stay before choosing this route.
- 06** The current UGE FAQ requires self-employed applicants to register in RETA. Employee treaty coverage requires an issued certificate expressly covering telework from Spain; a certificate application alone is insufficient.
- 07** Family members may apply together or subsequently. Subsequent filings need fresh evidence of the sponsor's income and may require tax/social-security compliance evidence.
- 08** The family checklist specifies additional evidence for dependent adult children and ascendants. Unregistered partners need evidence of a stable relationship and separate private health cover when they cannot qualify as social-security beneficiaries.
- 09** Approved family residence authorisations permit employed and self-employed work.

BEFORE SUBMITTING

Check dates, names, document validity, translations, and the checklist for your actual filing location. Keep originals and clear copies where required.

04 / Official sources

Spain DNV overview

[prie.comercio.gob.es](#) — open official reference

UGE-CE teleworkers page

[www.inclusion.gob.es](#) — open official reference

Spain - residence and filing rules (Articles 62, 74 and 76)

[www.boe.es](#) — open official reference

UGE - main-applicant checklist

[www.inclusion.gob.es](#) — open official reference

UGE - current FAQs

[www.inclusion.gob.es](#) — open official reference

UGE - family-member checklist

[www.inclusion.gob.es](#) — open official reference



Keep the current guide close

Scan to reopen the online checklist and official sources.

Review your trip details

Travel dates _____

Filing location / appointment _____

Documents to confirm _____