



Citizenship By Investment Programme

GUIDELINES FOR APPLICATION
FOR CITIZENSHIP BY
INVESTMENT IN SAINT LUCIA

The following guidelines are made subject to the provisions of the Citizenship by Investment Act No. 14 of 2015 (“the Act”) and the Citizenship by Investment Regulations No. 89 of 2015 (“the Regulations”) and their pursuant amendments which guide the operation of the Citizenship by Investment Unit (“the Unit”) and processing of citizenship applications.

THE PRINCIPAL APPLICANT MUST:

- Be at least 18 years of age;
- Satisfy a minimum qualifying investment in one of the four categories -
 - The Saint Lucia National Economic Fund;
 - An approved real estate project;
 - An approved enterprise project; or
 - The purchase of non-interest bearing Government bonds.
- Pass a due diligence background check. Please note that the principal applicant’s spouse and other qualifying dependents 16 years of age and over, MUST also pass a due diligence background check.
- Provide full and frank disclosure on all matters pertaining to the application; and
- Pay the requisite non-refundable processing, due diligence and administrative fees upon application, where applicable.

5. A parent of the principal applicant or of his or her spouse who is above 55 years of age and who is fully supported by the principal applicant;
6. A parent of any age, of the principal applicant or his or her spouse, who is physically or mentally challenged and fully supported by the principal applicant.
7. An unmarried sister or brother of the principal applicant who is below 18 years of age and who has received the consent of his or her parent or guardian to make an application for citizenship by investment.”.
 - May be required to attend an interview in Saint Lucia or at an embassy or High Commission of Saint Lucia prior to the consideration of his or her application for citizenship by the Board.

	Non-refundable Processing Fee USD	Non-refundable Due Diligence Fee USD
Principal Applicant	\$2,000	\$7,500
Spouse	\$1,000	\$5,000
Qualifying Dependent (16 and over)	\$1,000	\$5,000
Qualifying Dependent (Under 16)	\$1,000	N/A

THE PRINCIPAL APPLICANT MUST NOT:

- Have been convicted of a criminal offence except a minor traffic offence.
- Have been denied any category of visa to a country to which Saint Lucia has visa free access and been unsuccessful in subsequently obtaining visa.
- Be the subject of a criminal investigation
- Be involved in any activity likely to cause disrepute to Saint Lucia and;
- Have been declared, by a court or qualified health practitioner to be mentally incapacitated.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

- The Citizenship by Investment Board will consider an application for citizenship and the outcome may either be to grant, deny or delay for cause, an application for citizenship by investment.
- The average processing time from receipt of an application to notification of the outcome is 90 days. Where, in exceptional cases, it is expected that the processing time will be longer than 90 days, the authorised agent will be informed of the reason for the anticipated delay.
- An application for citizenship by investment must be submitted in electronic and printed form by an authorised agent on behalf of an applicant.
- All applications must be completed in English.
- All documents submitted with the application must be in the English Language or an authenticated translation into the English Language.

NB: An authenticated translation means a translation effected by either a professional translator who is officially accredited

THE PRINCIPAL APPLICANT MAY:

- Apply for their qualifying dependent(s);
For our purposes, a qualifying dependent is defined as:

 1. A spouse of the principal applicant. A spouse means an individual of the opposite sex to the principal applicant who is legally married to the applicant and in the case of legal polygamy, ‘spouse’ shall mean the first husband or wife;
 2. A child of the principal applicant or of his or her spouse who is 21 years of age or below;
 3. A child of the principal applicant or of his or her spouse who is no more than 30 years of age and who is fully supported by the principal applicant;
 4. A child of the principal applicant or his or her spouse, of any age, who is physically or mentally challenged and fully supported by the principal applicant;

to a court of law, a government agency, an international organization or similar official institution, or if effected in a country where there are no official accredited translators, a translation effected by a company whose role or business is effecting professional translations.

- ALL requisite supporting documents must be attached to applications before they can be processed by the Unit.
- All applications must be accompanied by the requisite non-refundable processing and due diligence fees for the principal applicant, his or her spouse and each qualifying dependent.
- Incomplete application forms will be returned to the authorised agent.
- Where an application for citizenship by investment has been granted, the Unit will notify the authorised agent that the qualifying investment and requisite government administration fees must be paid before the Certificate of Registration can be granted.
- Where an application has been denied, the applicant may, in writing, request a review by the Minister.

ISSUANCE OF A CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION:

- The principal applicant must make the qualifying investment within ninety (90) calendar days after notice by the Unit to the authorised agent of approval of their application.
- In the case of an investment in an approved, real estate or enterprise project or government bonds, the principal applicant must pay the government administrative fees due within 60 full days after notice by the Unit to the authorised agent of approval of their application.
- An applicant whose citizenship application is granted, must sign the Oath of Allegiance before an Attorney-at-Law, Consular Officer of Saint Lucia, Honorary Consul of Saint Lucia, Notary Royal or Notary Public.
- The Minister may, by order, revoke a grant of citizenship in exceptional circumstances as may be deemed necessary.

These Guidelines are issued by the Citizenship by Investment Board.