



Dubai introduces a new residence programme

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Dubai: Dubai has launched a unique programme that enables overseas remote working professionals to live in the emirate while continuing to serve their employers in their home country, as reported in the Khaleej Times, Dubai.

The new scheme provides remote workers and their families the opportunity to relocate on an annual basis to Dubai and enjoy a safe and high-quality lifestyle along with strong digital infrastructure that provides seamless connectivity.

Applicants should have a passport with a minimum six-month validity, health insurance with UAE coverage, proof of employment from current employer with a one-year contract validity and a minimum salary of \$5,000 per month. The applicant should also produce a pay slip and three preceding months' bank statements.

If the applicant is a company owner, proof of the ownership of company for one year or more, with an average monthly income of \$5,000 per month, and three preceding months' bank statements should be produced to be eligible for the programme.

Through the programme, applicants can obtain all services in Dubai, including telecoms, utilities, and schooling etc. Applicants will also benefit from Dubai's zero income tax for individuals.

The applicant will have to spend \$287 plus medical insurance with valid UAE coverage and processing fee per person.

"People continue to prioritise their health, wellbeing and ability to ensure a positive work-life balance. Dubai is uniquely positioned to offer a safe, dynamic lifestyle opportunity to these digitally savvy workers and their families while they continue to work remotely, whether it is for a couple of months or an entire year," said Helal Saeed Almarri, Director-General, Dubai's Department of Tourism and Commerce Marketing.

Dubai's No 1 global ranking in e-infrastructure in the latest Digital Quality of Life (DQL) survey validates the emirate's exceptional digital infrastructure.