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Spain Corporate Mobility

Establish your business in Spain — company formation and entrepreneur residence.

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CAPITAL

Madrid

CURRENCY

Euro (€)

LANGUAGE

Spanish

Spain at a glance

CAPITAL Madrid	POPULATION 48,000,000
LANGUAGE Spanish	CURRENCY Euro (€)
TIME ZONE UTC+1	CLIMATE Mediterranean
PROGRAMMES WE ADVISE ON 1	LAST UPDATED 1 October 2026

Overview

Spain offers non-EU founders a company structure, the Sociedad Limitada (S.L.), that can be formed from €1 of share capital and incorporated in 1 to 10 days through CIRCE.

Founders can then apply for residence as entrepreneurs under Ley 14/2013. The route sets no minimum investment or job creation; it requires a business plan that is innovative and/or of special economic interest for Spain, backed by a favourable ENISA report. The visa runs for one year and the authorisation granted in Spain for three years, renewable for three. Residence is in Spain, with visa-free Schengen travel of up to 90 days in any 180.

Key points

- S.L. formation from €1 of share capital, through CIRCE in 1 to 10 days
- Entrepreneur residence with no minimum investment or job-creation requirement
- Corporate tax of 15% for newly created companies, 25% general rate
- Residence pathway for business owners and their families
- Residence in Spain with visa-free Schengen travel of 90 days in any 180

Programmes in Spain



Spain Entrepreneur & Company Formation Program

Form a Spanish S.L. from €1 of share capital and apply for entrepreneur residence backed by an ENISA report, with no minimum investment or job-creation requirement.

Company in 1–10 days; residence stage varies by consulate

How the application works

- 1 Initial consultation to evaluate your business plan and legal structure
- 2 Obtain an NIE (€9.84) for each foreign shareholder or director
- 3 Obtain the company name certificate from the Central Mercantile Registry
- 4 Sign the incorporation deed before a Spanish notary and pay in the share capital (minimum €1)
- 5 Register the company, obtain its tax ID and register directors with Social Security (RETA)
- 6 Obtain the ENISA report on your business plan (within 10 working days)
- 7 Apply for the entrepreneur visa or residence authorisation

General requirements

- Non-EU citizen aged 18 or above
- Clean criminal record
- Business plan that is innovative or of special economic interest for Spain, with a favourable ENISA report
- Health insurance valid in Spain
- Registered business address in Spain
- Proof of sufficient financial means

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Questions clients ask

What is the minimum capital required to set up a company in Spain?

€1 for a Sociedad Limitada (S.L.). Below €3,000, 20% of profit must go to the legal reserve and shareholders are jointly liable for any shortfall on liquidation.

Can I complete the company setup remotely?

Yes. Most of the process can be completed remotely with a power of attorney granted to a local representative.

Does setting up a company make me eligible for residency?

Not by itself. Residence as an entrepreneur requires a favourable ENISA report on a business plan that is innovative or of special economic interest for Spain. There is no minimum investment or job creation.

How long does the process take?

Incorporation through CIRCE takes 1 to 10 days and ENISA reports within 10 working days; consular or UGE-CE processing of the residence application follows.

What are the main taxes for new businesses?

Newly created companies pay 15% in their first two profitable tax periods, then the 25% general rate. Directors and controlling shareholders also pay RETA social security contributions.



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