

Information Leaflet
for Migrants and
Migrant Associations

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**EXCEPTIONAL
REGULARISATION
OF FOREIGN
NATIONALS**



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WHAT IS THIS REGULARISATION PROCESS?

It is an exceptional and temporary opportunity for **foreign nationals who are already living in Euskadi** to obtain **legal permission for residency and employment**.

- ✓ Recognises the real situation.
- ✓ Provides legal certainty.
- ✓ Permits legal employment throughout Spain.



WHO CAN APPLY FOR IT?

Regularisation can be applied for by those who fulfil **ALL OF** these requirements:

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

- > To be **in Euskadi**.
- > To have been in Spain since before the **31st December 2025**.
- > **To have no criminal record** in Spain or in the other countries of residence in the last 5 years.
- > **Not to be prohibited from entry** into Spain.
- > To pay the administrative **charge**.



TWO ROUTES TO REGULARISATION

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ASYLUM APPLICANTS

Can request regularisation if:

- > They have presented an **international protection application** before the 31st December 2025.
- > They fulfil the **general requirements**.

Deadline for application: until the **30th June 2026**.

During the application process:

- Any **return** process is **suspended**.
- **Provisional permission to reside and work** is granted once the application has been admitted for processing.

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REGULARISATION DUE TO EXCEPTIONAL CIRCUMSTANCES

As well as the general requirements, at the moment of application proof of 5 months of continuous stay must be provided and **AT LEAST ONE OF THE FOLLOWING** conditions must be fulfilled:

- > To have worked in Spain or to present an **employment contract**.
- > To live within a **family unit** (children enrolled in school or disabled adults who require support or are not objectively capable of providing for their own needs due to their health needs or first-degree relatives in the first ascending line of the applicant).
- > To be considered in a **situation of vulnerability**, as verified by social services or entities from the third sector. It is assumed that all those with an illegal status are in a situation of vulnerability.

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WHAT HAPPENS TO THE FAMILY?

Children who are minors (or disabled adults):

- > They can apply for residence **at the same time** as the adult in both routes.

First-degree ascendants:

- > They can also be included in the application **in certain cases**.



THE PROCESS STEP BY STEP

1

Prepare the documentation

- > **Passport, travel documents or registration form.**
- > Proof of stay in **Spain**: census registration, reports, appointments, certificates, etc.
- > Certificate of **police record** (or proof of having applied for it).
- > Documents that provide proof where appropriate of **work, family or vulnerability**.

 **Important:** Documentation that has already been submitted to the administration **will not be required**.

2

Present the application

- > Through the **official form**.
- > At **official registries** or other accredited offices.

The applications will be processed on a **preferential basis**.

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Provisional Authorisation

From the moment the application is admitted:

- > **Legal residence** is permitted.
- > **Employment by others** is permitted and in the case of the general route **self-employment** is also permitted.
- > Throughout Spain and in any sector.

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Decision by the Administration

- > **If favourable:** permission to reside and work for 1 year is granted.
- > **If unfavourable:** provisional permission ends.

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Foreign National Card (TIE)

In the month following the administrative decision:

- > **Application for the foreign national ID card (TIE) can be made** in the corresponding police station.



KEY QUESTIONS

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Can I work while awaiting the administrative decision?

Yes, once the application is admitted for processing.

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Is the regularisation automatic?

No, the application must be presented and the requirements fulfilled.

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Is it only for one year?

The initial authorisation is for **1 year**, after which you can transfer to the regular route contemplated within the Foreign National legislation.

In the case of children or disabled adults the period is 5 years.

KEY MESSAGE

This regularisation is a unique opportunity

- > Limited deadlines.
- > It recognises rights and obligations.
- > It allows for training, working and living with dignity.

Get the information, get the advice and don't be left out:

Aholku Sarea

Basque network for legal advice concerning the legislation on foreign nationals.



This leaflet is for information only. For specific cases, it is advisable to contact Aholku Sarea

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