

UAE Golden Visa Application Checklist (2025)

Use this quick checklist to stay organized through every step

1: Check Eligibility

- Identified my category (Investor / Entrepreneur / Skilled Professional / Innovator)
- Meet the latest eligibility requirements on ICP or GDRFA Dubai portals

2: Prepare Required Documents

- Valid passport and existing UAE visa (if applicable)
- Emirates ID (for UAE residents)
- Proof of investment or business ownership (trade license, property deed, or capital proof)
- Academic certificates / professional certifications (attested if issued abroad)
- Financial statements or salary certificates
- Portfolio or achievements (for innovators / creatives)
- Document attestation & academic equivalency started early

3: Submit Application Online

- Applied via UAE ICP Smart Services, DubaiNow App, or GDRFA Dubai portal
- Uploaded all documents in correct format



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4: Approval & Fees

- Received initial approval notification
- Paid applicable fees (AED 2,800–4,800 (Dirham) range)

5: Medical & Security Checks

- Completed medical fitness test
- Obtained police clearance certificate

6: Visa Issuance

- UAE Golden Visa issued electronically or physically
- Sponsored eligible family members (spouse, children, parents)

7: Renewal

- Marked visa expiration date (expiry) in calendar
- Will reapply online before expiry to maintain long-term residency

Pro Tip: Keep digital copies of all your documents in one folder for faster renewals.

