



To foreign citizens residing in Portugal How to vote in the Municipal Elections 2021

Who can vote?

- a) All Portuguese citizens and Brazilian citizens with status of equal political rights;
- b) European Union nationals (Germany, Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Cyprus, Croatia, Denmark, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Estonia, Finland, France, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxemburg, Malta, Netherlands, Poland, Czech Republic, Romania and Sweden);
- c) United Kingdom nationals with residence in Portugal prior to Brexit;
- d) Citizens of Brazil (without equality status) and Cape Verde with legal residence in Portugal for over two years;
- e) Citizens of Argentina, Chile, Colombia, Iceland, Norway, New Zealand, Peru, Uruguay and Venezuela and with legal residence in Portugal for over three years.

(b) c) and d) [Declaration n.º 29/2021, of 25 March](#)

(United Kingdom: [Resolution of the Assembly of the Republic n.º 158/2019, of 4 September](#))

I' am a foreign national and my country is on the list. How can I vote?

You can register to vote in the parish council of your area of residence as indicated in the valid residence title.
If you turn 18 years of age by election day, you can also register.

Which documents are necessary in order to register to vote?

- a) Valid residence title – Registration Certificate for an EU Citizen (CRCUE), Residence Card (CR), Residence Permit (AR) –, if you are an European Union national, or an United Kingdom national with residence in Portugal prior to Brexit;
- b) Proof of minimal time of residence in Portugal:
 - over two years, if you are a national of Cape Verde or Brazil (without equality status);
 - over three years, if you are a national of Argentina, Chile, Colombia, Iceland, Norway, New Zealand, Peru, Uruguay and Venezuela or of the United Kingdom, after Brexit;
- c) Official Declaration specifying:
 - your nationality and address in national territory,
 - if applicable, the electoral roll of the circle or local municipality of the State of origin where you were last registered.

In the case of nationals outside of the EU, this Declaration should also include:
– that your right to vote in the State of origin has not been revoked.

When can I register to vote?

As soon as possible, before the 60th day before Election Day.

I just acquired Portuguese nationality and I reside in Portugal. What should I do to register to vote?

Nothing. Registration is automatic for all Portuguese citizens and is established when you pick up your citizen card.

I was registered to vote, but I moved to a different address in another parish council. What should I do?

You should update your address in your residence title – Registration Certificate for an EU Citizen (CRCUE), Residence Card (CR), Residence Permit (AR) – and with the updated document rectify your registration to vote in the parish council of the new address as indicated in the residence title.

Who can be elected?

- a) Portuguese citizens and Brazilian citizens with equality status;
- b) European Union nationals;
- c) United Kingdom nationals with residence in Portugal prior to Brexit;
- d) Citizens of Brazil (without equality status) and Cape Verde with legal residence in Portugal for over four years.

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