

INVESTOR PLUS (INVESTOR 1) CATEGORY REQUIREMENTS

1. Investment funds and/or assets

You must nominate funds and/or assets equivalent to at least **NZ\$10 million**. You will have to provide evidence to show that these funds and/or assets:

- are **owned by you or jointly** by you, your partner and/or dependent children
- are unencumbered, ie not subject to any mortgage, lien, charge and/or encumbrance (whether equitable or otherwise) or any other creditor claims
- have been **earned or acquired legally**
- are transferable through the banking system (INZ will not approve your application if you are unable to transfer funds to New Zealand through the banking system).

You will need to invest a minimum of NZ\$10 million in an **acceptable investment(s)** in New Zealand. You cannot nominate investment funds or assets you intend to bring to New Zealand for your personal use – for example a personal residence, car, or boat.

2. After residence is approved

If your residence application is approved you (the principal applicant) will have to retain your investment funds in an **acceptable investment(s)** for three years. You will have to spend at least 73 days in New Zealand each year in years 2 and 3 of your three year investment period.

3. Checklist

Basic Requirements	Note
<i>Fully completed and signed application form</i>	Investor Plus (Investor 1 Category) Application for Residence (INZ 1163) PDF. If there are any gaps, please write "N/A" (not applicable)
<i>Application fee</i>	Bank draft for NZ\$3,400.00 made out to "Immigration New Zealand". This fee is subject to change. Please check with us.
<i>Medicals & X-rays</i>	Each person included in the application is required to supply medical certificates and x-ray reports. These medical certificates must have been completed no longer than three months before the application is lodged.

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	(Please note that children under 12 years and women who are pregnant are not required to undergo an x-ray).	
<i>Identity</i>	Each person included on the application must provide: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Full Birth Certificates</i> • photocopies of the identity pages of their passport 	
<i>Evidence of relationship to the principal applicant</i>	Refer to our "Requirements for Partners" infosheet contained under the Immigration component of our Practical Law Library (www.queencitylaw.co.nz)	
<i>Police reports</i>	Each person included in the application and aged 17 years or older must provide: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A police certificate from their country of citizenship; and • Police certificates from any country they have lived in for more than 12 months (collectively) in the past 10 years. <p>All certificates must be no older than six months at the time the application is lodged.</p>	
<i>Business experience documents</i>	Documents that show that you own the business, such as company incorporation documents, tax records, annual reports, letters from Chartered Accountants and lawyers confirming the operation of the company. This list is of course not exhaustive – see us for further guidance.	
<i>Evidence of Funds</i>	<p>Cash</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • bank books/statements. <p>Property</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • title deeds, and • a recent valuation report for your property from an independent registered valuer, and • mortgage documents or statements showing any liability incurred on the property. <p>Shares/bonds</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • share certificates • share printout reports • share trading cards (if applicable) • a recent statement by a registered share broker or chartered accountant that certifies the current market value of your shares and/or bonds. <p>Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • documents of ownership, or financial interest in, the company/business, and • an independent valuation by a chartered accountant (or appropriate person), including details of any mortgages, loans, or other financial obligations. 	

	<p>Other assets eg gold bullion</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> evidence of ownership, and a recent independent market valuation. <p>All documents provided as valuations of assets must be no more than three months old when the residence application is lodged and must be produced by a reliable, independent agency.</p>	
<p><i>Evidence of earning or acquiring funds and/or assets</i></p>	<p>Acceptable evidence to show that you earned or acquired your funds and/or assets legally may include original or certified copies of the following documents:</p> <p>Salaries and bonuses</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> personal tax returns or tax certificates pay slips letters of appointment employer certificates bank statements showing receipt of earnings. <p>Business profits and dividends</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> business financial statements evidence of ownership or shareholding in the business bank statements showing receipt of dividends. Director's drawing's and so on. <p>Property</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> evidence of capital appreciation of property, measured as the current value (or sale price if property has been sold) less purchase price, eg solicitor's settlement documents, bank statements showing your receipt of sale proceeds, valuation report for property currently owned. <p>Investments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> bank certificates evidence of share trading profits. <p>Inheritance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> probate and evidence of inheritance from your solicitor. <p>Gifts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> evidence of gifting, and evidence to show that your donor earned or acquired those funds and/or assets legally. <p>You need to give us a summary of the evidence that you are providing, showing how this demonstrates your</p>	

	<p>capability to have earned or acquired your funds and/or assets legally.</p> <p>We will of course work with you through this process as collaboratively as we are able.</p> <p>You may be able to provide other types of evidence appropriate to your circumstances. We may also ask you to produce other information to help us determine your application.</p>	
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4. Further advice and information

Queen City Law has considerable experience in various Investor Categories that have been in place in NZ for at least a decade and will be able to add significant value to your application. We believe we have acted on more successful Business based applications than any other lawyers or consultants in New Zealand and accordingly believe our proven horsepower in this area places us at the tope of the game.

We also provide all other relevant legal services and can assist you with all associated matters including due diligence, sale and purchase of businesses and property, all commercial, company, tax, asset protection and other legal aspects inherent in your investment in NZ. Therefore, we are able to provide a highly effective one stop shop. Our aim is to represent you gaining your residency in New Zealand and remain your lawyers in New Zealand in a partnering relationship – a number of Queen City Law’s leading clients first became clients via business immigration. These measures mean we are able to provide unique and highly specialized professional services to you. We look forward to discussing your requirements.

Queen City Law’s Immigration Team can advise on all aspects of business applications – please contact **Marcus Beveridge, Stephen Chan** or **Bradley So** for further information or assistance.

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Footnote: These checklists are brief by nature and should only be relied on for basic purposes. Applicants should complete a far more detailed analysis of the actual New Zealand Government immigration policy and many other issues including for example taxation, consequences of immigration to New Zealand, developing a better understanding of our property, employment and company laws, asset protection arrangements and so on – we will of course be pleased to provide you with any such information you request.