

### Antigua & Barbuda

- Located between the Caribbean Sea and the north Atlantic Ocean. As it includes two islands, Antigua and Barbuda.
- The largest English-speaking island of Leeward, one of the most beautiful islands in the world.
- Tourism makes 60% of the domestic income, as tourists come from Europe, Canada and USA.
- Antigua & Barbuda has various investments in Real Estate and hotels owned by well-known celebrities such as Oprah Winfrey and Robert De Niro.
- The capital city and headquarter is Saint John's.
- Area: 442 Sq. km.
- Population: 92,600 (in 2016).
- Official Language: English.
- Currency: East Caribbean Dollar (EC\$) and it is tied to the US Dollar.
- Independence from the UK: 1 November 1981.
- The Federation is a member of the following organizations:
  - The British Commonwealth.
  - The United Nations (UN).
  - The Organization of American States (OAS).
  - The Caribbean Community (CARICOM).
  - World Trade Organization (WTO).

### Antigua & Barbuda Citizenship by Investment

#### Program:

- The Citizenship Program was established in 2013 and it grants full citizenship rights (except election) and the passport within 3-4 months from the application submission date.
- As citizens of Antigua & Barbuda, the applicant and his family members enjoy visa-free travel to 138 countries, including the UK, Schengen countries and Russia. Antigua's passport is ranked 22<sup>nd</sup> worldwide.
- The application includes the principal applicant, spouse, dependents under the age of 28 subject that they are full-time students as well as financially dependent parents and grandparents (of both main applicant and spouse) above the age of 58.
- No prior residency requirements for citizenship, but the main Applicant is requested to visit Antigua & Barbuda for 5 days during the first 5 years after granting the citizenship and passports.
- The program does not require a specific education, language or experience level.
- Antigua & Barbuda passport holders can have dual citizenships.
- There are no capital gains or income taxes for the income generated out of Antigua.
- When acquiring the citizenship under Antigua's citizenship program, the applicant and his family members enjoy full lifelong citizenships.
- Cannot be passed to future generations by descent.
- Applying to the program requires a certified service provider.



#### Investment Options:

- 1- Financial Contribution starts from (\$100,000).
- 2- Real-Estate Investment starts from (\$200,000).
- 3- Business Investment starts from (\$400,000).

#### Program Requirements

- 1- The principal applicant must be above 18 years old.
- 2- Clear criminal record for all family members.
- 3- Clear medical tests for all family members.
- 4- Iraq, Yemen, Afghanistan, Iran, Somalia, North Korea, Sudan and Palestinians with travel documents citizens can not apply to the program, excluding the applicants who migrated before the age of majority and/or have maintained permanent residence in Saudi Arabia and United Arab Emirates for more than 10 years and their funds are not related to any of the prohibited countries.
- 5- In case of previous visa refusals the main applicant cannot obtain the citizenship until he/she apply for the same visa and gets accepted.

#### Program Steps

- 1- The applicant signs the agreement with RESPECT and pays the payment as shown in the table below.
- 2- Due Diligence procedure will begin for main applicant and all family members.
- 3- The applicant submits the required documents and undergoes the medical examination.
- 4- The Application will be submitted through the certified service provider to the citizenship unit, as the unit will be checking and auditing the submitted documents as this will lead to an "initial approval" for the application.
- 5- The citizenship by investment unit will issue the approval letter along with the transfer details to transfer the Government fees and Financial Contribution (or Real Estate amount).
- 6- The applicant will transfer the financial contribution or the balance of the Real-Estate investment.
- 7- Passport applications and fees will be submitted, and accordingly citizenship certificate will be issued, afterwards passports will be issued.
- 8- The passport will be valid for 5 years, as will be renewed only by the specialized department in Antigua.

**FEES AND COST**

**Option 1: Non-Refundable Contribution Option:**

1- Financial Contribution:

For a family of four members or less	\$ 100,000
For a family of five members or more	\$ 125,000

2- Government fees:

For a family of four members or less	\$ 25,000
For each additional dependent	\$ 15,000

3- Fees:

Due-Diligence fees for Main Applicant	\$ 7,500
Due-Diligence fees for Spouse	\$ 7,500
Due-Diligence fees for dependents of the age 18 and above – Child/Parents/Grandparents	\$ 4,000
Due-Diligence fees for dependents between the age of 12-17	\$ 2,000
Passport issuance fees for each member of the family	\$ 300
Legal Fees	\$ 5,000
Professional fees	\$ 10,000

**Option 2: Real-Estate Investment Option:**

1- Real Estate (can be sold after 5 years):

Real-Estate value (The property cannot be sold before 5 years of the purchase date)	\$ 400,000 for one application OR \$200,000 for a shared Real-Estate application
Registration fees	Depends on the Real-Estate project

2- Government fees:

For a family of four members or less	\$ 50,000
For each additional dependent	\$ 15,000

3- Fees:

Due-Diligence fees for Main Applicant, Spouse	\$ 7,500
Due-Diligence fees for dependents of the age 18 and above	\$ 4,000
Due-Diligence fees for dependents between the age of 12-17	\$ 2,000
Passport issuance fees for each member of the family	\$ 300
Legal Fees	\$ 5,000
Professional fees	\$ 10,000

**Professional fees include:**

- + Attesting the documents on behalf of the Applicants through certified legal entities as per the conditions and regulations of the program.
- + Legal Translating services as per the conditions and regulations of the program.
- + Appointing an Investment Consultant to follow-up and informing the applicants on all the updates and progress of the application.
- + Signing the forms in the Applicants' office or home without the need of visiting our offices.
- + Submitting and receiving the documents on the registered address by RS agents or through our DHL account.
- + Assist in issuing Police Clearance Certificate and RS will issue it on behalf of the Applicants (for specific countries and conditions) as per the program's requirements.

**Payment Schedule**

First Payment	Upon signing the agreement - Immediate	50% of the professional fees
Second Payment	Upon Completing the file in 3-4 weeks	Due-Diligence fees + 10% from Government Fees
		In case of Real-Estate investment: Applicant pays 10% of the Real-Estate value. Legal fees
Third Payment	Upon approval in 3-4 Months	Paying the Financial Contribution fees (or Real Estate investment balance)
		90% from Government Fees
		50% of the professional fees Passport Issuance fees

### Documents Checklist

**General Documentation Requirements:**

- The spelling of each applicant's name must be consistent/identical throughout all forms, documents, and translations.
- Documents must be recent (issued within 3 months).
- All required copies of the documents must be clear colored copies.
- All needed documents should be submitted to the CIU in one set.
- Respect will be handling the translation and authentication of documents by the company's lawyer.
- Additional documents may be required as per each case.
- Letters should be addressed to:

The Citizenship by Investment Unit  
ABI Financial Center, Floor 3  
Redcliffe Street, St. John's  
Antigua

#	Document	Copy or Original	Notes
1	Questionnaire for each family members	E-mail	(RESPECT will provide it)
2	All current Passport copies for each family member	Coloured Copy	• Must show the date of issue and date of expiry
3	Valid visas for each family members	Coloured Copy	• (If applicable)
4	Birth Certificate for each family member	Copy	--
5	National ID Card	Copy	(If applicable)
6	Residency Card/Visa for each family member	Coloured Copy	--
7	Marriage Certificate/Contract	Copy	(If applicable)
8	Divorce Certificate / Death Certificate	Copy	(If applicable)
9	Military Service Certificate or Exemption Certificate	Copy	(If applicable)
10	Photos (12) for each family member	Original	(as per photos specifications)
11	HIV Test (only 11 years old and above)	Original	--
12	Detailed CV for main applicant, spouse and children above 18	E-mail	(RESPECT will provide a draft)
13	Education certificate and transcript for the main applicant, spouse and children above 18	Copy	For all completed Degrees
14	Enrolment verification or student certificate for children aged 18 years old and above)	Original	--
15	Affidavit of Financial Support from the main applicant for all dependents above 18	Original	(If applicable) (RESPECT will provide a draft)
16	<u>Two (2) Evidence of Residential address:</u> - National Address Certificate; - Lease Agreement (Copy); - Utility bill.	Original	• Must include the main applicant's name and complete address • Dependent Child aged 18-28 not living with parents, must provide a separate Proof of Address

17	Professional Reference letter for the main applicant only	Original	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Issued by a lawyer, accountant, or other professionals who have dealt with the main applicant for not less than 3 years.</li> <li>Included the main applicant's name, date of birth, passport number and nature of the business relationship</li> </ul> <p><i>(RESPECT will provide a draft)</i></p>
18	Employment Letter <i>(if an employee)</i>	Original	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>issued by the current workplace</li> <li>for the main applicant and for spouse (if applicable)</li> </ul> <p><i>(RESPECT will provide a draft)</i></p>
19	Business/Company Documents <i>(if an employer)</i>	Copy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The commercial registration of the company</li> <li>latest 2 years Audited Financial statement of the company</li> </ul>
20	Bank Reference Letter	Original	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>that the applicant has been dealing with for at least two years</li> <li>issued on the bank letterhead</li> </ul> <p><i>(RESPECT will provide a draft)</i></p>
21	Bank Statement	Original	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>of the last 12 months before applying to the program</li> <li>from the same bank issued bank reference letter</li> </ul>
22	Police Clearance Certificates for each family member 18 years old and above from the:	Original	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Country of citizenship</li> <li>Country of current residency</li> </ul> <p>Countries where the member resided for a continuous period of 6 months in the past 10 years.</p>
23	Certificate of name change	Copy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(If applicable)</li> </ul>
<b>ONLY in Case of Real-estate investment option:</b>			
--	Sale & Purchase Agreement	Original	Executed real estate contract, share purchase contract, or investment contract
--	Executed escrow agreement and/or Memorandum of Transfer.	Original	--
--	Proof of full payment (purchase price) in escrow account.	Original	--
<b>Special Cases (If applicable):</b>			
--	When a single parent is applying with a child under 18	Original	Affidavit of consent and knowledge from the other parent, and a notarized, signed copy of the other parent's photo ID.
--	When one parent has sole custody of a child, or another person has legal guardianship of a child	Original	Legal documentation proving sole custody or guardianship of a child.

**Antigua & Barbuda Passport Holders Can Enter  
138 Countries Visa Free (or Visa on Arrival) including:**

United Kingdom	Egypt	Lebanon	Saint Kitts and Nevis
Albania	El Salvador	Lesotho	Saint Lucia
Andorra	Estonia	Liechtenstein	Samoa
Armenia	Ethiopia	Lithuania	San Marino
Austria	Fiji	Luxembourg	Seychelles
Bahamas	Finland	Macao	Singapore
Bangladesh	France	Macedonia	Slovakia
Barbados	Gabon	Madagascar	Slovenia
Belarus	Gambia	Malawi	Solomon Islands
Belgium	Georgia	Malaysia	Somalia
Belize	Germany	Maldives	South Africa
Benin	Greece	Malta	South Korea
Bolivia	Grenada	Mauritania	Spain
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Guatemala	Mauritius	Sri Lanka
Botswana	Guinea-Bissau	Micronesia	St. Vincent and the Grenadines
Brazil	Guyana	Moldova	Suriname
Bulgaria	Haiti	Monaco	Swaziland
Cambodia	Honduras	Montenegro	Sweden
Cape Verde	Hong Kong	Mozambique	Switzerland
Chile	Hungary	Nepal	Tanzania
Colombia	Iceland	Netherlands	Timor-Leste
Comoros	India	Nicaragua	Togo
Costa Rica	Indonesia	Norway	Trinidad and Tobago
Cote d'Ivoire (Ivory Coast)	Iran	Palau	Tunisia
Croatia	Ireland	Palestinian Territories	Turkey
Cuba	Italy	Panama	Tuvalu
Cyprus	Jamaica	Peru	Uganda
Czech Republic	Jordan	Philippines	Ukraine
Denmark	Kenya	Poland	Vanuatu
Djibouti	Kiribati	Portugal	Vatican City
Dominica	Kosovo	Qatar	Venezuela
Dominican Republic	Laos	Romania	Zambia
Ecuador	Latvia	Rwanda	Zimbabwe

Antigua & Barbuda Passport holder can also obtain a visa to Canada and the United States easily when applying for a visa request.

Note: This list is subject to constant change, please refer to [www.passportindex.com](http://www.passportindex.com) for updated information or check the MOFA websites for related countries.