



CITIZENSHIP INCOME INFORMATION

Citizenship Income (Reddito di Cittadinanza) is governed by Law no. 26 and constitutes an assistance service, provided in a situation of serious economic difficulty for the applicant. From 6 March 2019 it is possible to submit applications for Citizenship Income.

✓ How to submit the application

The application can be sent with the help of CAF, patronages or through the SPID digital system. In any case, the application can be presented legitimately, also by sending it via certified e-mail (PEC) to the head office and to the INPS territorial office of the applicant's place of residence. You must manually add the type of residence permit you hold. We recommend contacting associations for the defense of foreigners' rights. **WE STRESS THAT the application is submitted free of charge. WARNING! The indicated requirements, except for the residence permit, are certified with a self-declaration, therefore, maximum attention is recommended in completing the application.**

Ask for help from local associations or trusted lawyers!

✓ Who can have the citizenship income?

1. Italian citizens and citizens of the European Union.
2. Third country citizen in possession of an EU residence permit for long-term residents (residence card).
3. Family members of an Italian citizen or a citizen of the European Union, who are holders of the right of residence or right of permanent residence.
4. Holders of subsidiary protection or Refugee status (there is no obligation to certify income through the consulate, but a self-declaration is enough).
5. Holders of a residence permit of another type can still apply and in case of refusal, contact the associations for the defense of the rights of foreigners to challenge the provision.

To avoid mistakes, talk to the associations in the area.

✓ What requirements are needed?

1) RESIDENCE OF AT LEAST 10 YEARS - ATTENTION! The Italian or foreign applicant must have been resident in Italy for at least 10 years, the last two being continuous. If you do not have this requirement you can NOT apply for citizenship income.

2) ECONOMIC REQUIREMENTS:

- ISEE (annual income) valid not exceeding €9,360.00
- Real estate assets (houses, land) in Italy and abroad not exceeding €30,000
- Movable assets (e.g. current accounts) not exceeding:
 - € 6,000.00 per family unit consisting of a single person
 - € 8,000.00 per family unit consisting of two objects
 - € 10,000.00 per family unit made up of three individuals, increased by € 1,000 for each child.
 - The income of the family unit below 6,000.00 raised to 9,360.00 if the tenant of a rented house (if you have a house for rent, the income must be less than 9,360.00 euros).



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Attention: if the income changes during the period of obtaining the citizenship income, it must be communicated within 30 days! Always contact local associations or trusted lawyers, because it is easy to make mistakes! The requirements indicated are not alternative, i.e. you must have an income of less than 6000, a residence permit and residence for at least 10 years. Always ask local associations or trusted lawyers to avoid mistakes! Be careful!

✓ How long do you receive the citizenship income money?

The citizenship income is granted for a period of 18 months and can be renewed after the suspension of one month. The amount paid consists of:

- maximum € 500,00 per month for a single
- maximum €1,050,00 per month, in the case of a family unit of at least four people, all adults, or at least five people if there is also a minor in the unit.

The beneficiaries of the citizenship income must sign a work agreement with the employment center, with which they undertake to:

- a) make yourself available for job training,
- b) active job search,
- c) undergo interviews and accept at least one of three job offers deemed appropriate (suitable for the CV).

In summary: during the first six months of the enjoyment of income, a job offer must be accepted within 100 kilometers of the residence; after six months, job offers must be accepted within 250 kilometers; after 12 months, the offer may cover the whole national territory. If there are minors or disabled people in the family, there are no such restrictions. In order not to make mistakes, ask local associations or trusted lawyers.

✓ What happens if the application is wrong?

There are penalties if you self-certify the false: if you declare that you have resided in Italy for 10 years and it is not true, if you declare a lower income of 6,000.00 euros and it is not true, etc. the citizenship income is revoked and all the sums received and more must be returned. The law that established the citizenship income provided for specific criminal rules in case of violations, including art. 640 bis cp. fraud aggravated with a penalty, which includes from 2 to 6 years of imprisonment. **WARNING! The crime of aggravated fraud creates problems for the renewal of the residence permit.** The other penalties are of an administrative / sanctioning nature (referred to in Article 4, paragraphs 5 and 11, of Law no. 26 of March 28, 2019), for those who do not comply with some of the provisions. In particular, in the event of no-show at the employment center, in the absence of a justified reason, absence of even just one member of the family unit at the employment center, the following penalties apply:

- a) Suspension of one month of citizenship income, after the first no-show / absence;
- b) Suspension of two months of citizenship income, after the second no-show / absence;
- c) Suspension of citizenship income, after the third non-presentation / absence.

Also in this case ask the associations in the area to avoid making mistakes