



ST. KITTS & NEVIS

ECONOMIC CITIZENSHIP PROGRAMME

GENERAL INFORMATION

Advantages of the programme:

- The oldest legal public economic citizenship programme, introduced in 1984
- Dual citizenship is allowed
- Lifetime citizenship
- Working right is provided in St Kitts and Nevis
- Visa free travel to 120 countries of the world
- Family programme with high flexibility

Disadvantages of the programme:

- Not very prestigious country or citizenship
- Not very well known country
- Some nationalities are excluded

Legal basis for citizenship:

- Citizenship of Saint Christopher and Nevis is governed by Chapter VIII (Sections 90-95 of the Constitution of Saint Christopher and Nevis)
- In 1984 pursuant to Section 92 (1) (h) of the Constitution, Parliament prescribed that such other persons who would be entitled, upon making application, be registered as citizens.
- The Government determines, by Cabinet Decisions, which projects and which amounts of investment shall qualify as a "substantial investment" and thus lead to eligibility under the Citizenship -by-Investment programme.

Voting rights:

Not provided with the citizenship

Year of commencement of the programme:
1984

Year of closing of the programme:

Not planned

Country name:	St Kitts and Nevis, formerly Saint Christopher and Nevis
Capital:	Basseterre
Time zone:	GMT -5
Area:	261 km ² (St Kitts 168 km ² , Nevis 93 km ²)
Population:	51 538 (July, 2014)
Nationality:	Kittitians, Nevisian(s)
Ethnic groups:	Predominantly black, some British, Portuguese and Lebanese
Languages:	English
Currency:	East Caribbean Dollar (XCD). 1 USD = 2.7 XCD
Climate:	Tropical, tempered by constant breezes, little seasonal temperature variation, rainy season (May to November)
Location:	Caribbean islands in the Caribbean Sea, about one-third of the way from Puerto Rico to Trinidad and Tobago



PROGRAMME OPTIONS

1. Real Estate Option

Purchase of real estate in a government approved project with a minimum value of USD 400 000 for each main applicant.

The real estate cannot be re-sold for 5 years after the purchase, and it will not allow the next buyer to qualify for citizenship.

Required Investment and Fees

US\$ 7 500 for due diligence and processing fees for the main applicant

US\$ 4 000 for due diligence background checks and processing fees for each dependent over 16 years of age

On approval in principle of an application:

- US\$ 50 000 for the main applicant
- US\$ 25 000 for the spouse of main applicant
- US\$ 25 000 for each child of the main applicant under 18 years of age
- US\$ 50 000 for each qualified dependent of the main applicant over 18 years other than the spouse

+ US\$ 250 for set of bound documents (C1,C2,C3,C4 Forms) /compulsory to buy for each new applicant/

2. The Sugar Industry Diversification Foundation (SIDF) Option

The SIDF option offers different categories:

- US\$ 250 000 for Single Applicant
- US\$ 300 000 for Applicant with up to three dependents
- US\$ 350 000 for Applicant with up to five dependents
- US\$ 450 000 for Applicant with up to seven dependents
- US\$ 50 000 additional contribution for each dependent above seven dependents



THE PROCESS

Stage 1

Applicant contacts Service Provider who prepares citizenship file. Applicant pays due diligence fee to start application process.

Stage 2

Citizenship file is submitted.

Stage 3

Upon receipt of due diligence clearance, applicant is Issued "Approved in Principle" letter by the Citizenship-by-Investment Unit (CIU).

Stage 4

Applicant then makes a contribution to the Foundation through an approved escrow account. Monies remain in escrow until the applicant receives Naturalization Certificate.

Stage 5

Applicant receives Naturalization Certificate.

Stage 6

Applicant applies for Passport.

Stage 7

Passport is issued.

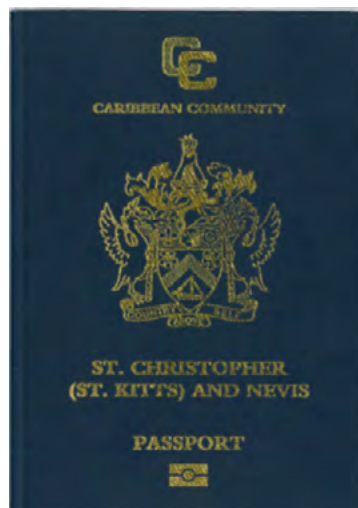


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REQUIREMENTS

Residency requirement

Not required during or after the application process

Required Documents

- Photograph and Signature Certificate (Form C2)
- Medical Certificate (Form C3) including original results of HIV test. Note that the HIV test results must not be more than 3 months old.
- Original excerpt of full birth record or certified copy of full birth certificate (i.e. a birth document that also includes the details of the applicant's parents, or a household register, family book etc.)
- Certified copy of the applicant's current passport(s) showing name, photo, citizenship/nationality, date and place of issue, expiry date, passport number, and issuing country.
- Certified copy of the applicant's current National Identity Card(s)
- 6 original Passport sized photos of the applicant taken within the past 6 months. (N.B. One of the photos must be certified and attached to Form C2).
- Police Certificate "certificate of no criminal record" or "police clearance certificate"
- Certified copy of Military Records (if applicable)
- Certified copy of proof of name change (if applicable)

Other supporting documents required from the main applicant

- At least 1 original bank reference letter issued by an internationally recognized bank, not more than 6 months old.
- At least 1 original professional reference (e.g. from an attorney, notary public, chartered accountant or other professional of similar standing) not more than 6 months old.
- 1 original document evidencing residential address (e.g. certified copy of a recent utility bill or bank statement showing full name and address, or written confirmation from a bank, attorney, chartered accountant or notary public).
- 1 Original excerpt of marriage record or certified copy of marriage certificate(s) if applicable (i.e. if married persons apply together).
- Certified copy of divorce documents (if applicable).
- Statement of source of funds to be invested in St Kitts and Nevis.

Documents required for the Real Estate Option:

- Copy of duly executed real estate contract (Purchase and Sales Agreement) to be submitted with the application forms.
- Evidence of title transfer to be submitted after applicant receives approval in principle

RESTRICTIONS

All applicants undergo the same due diligence process. If any issues from their background which would be grounds for rejection emerge, they will not be approved for citizenship.

Please contact us to receive a price offer for the citizenship programme of St. Kitts & Nevis.



VISA FREE TRAVEL

This is the full list of countries allowing visa free travel to St Kitts and Nevis passport holders. As this is general information, which may change any time before you travel, please contact the embassy of the targeted country.

Andorra	Gibraltar	New Caledonia
Anguilla	Greece	Niue
Antigua and Barbuda	Grenada	Norway
Argentina	Guatemala	Palau Islands
Aruba	Guyana	Panama
Austria	Haiti	Peru
Bahamas	Honduras	Philippines
Bangladesh	Hong Kong (SAR China)	Poland
Barbados	Hungary	Portugal
Belgium	Iceland	Romania
Belize	Iraq	Samoa
Bermuda	Ireland	San Marino
Bolivia	Israel	Seychelles
Botswana	Italy	Sierra Leone
British Virgin Islands	Jamaica	Singapore
Bulgaria	Kenya	Slovak Republic
Cambodia	Kiribati	Slovenia
Cape Verde Islands	Korea	Solomon Islands
Cayman Islands	Kosovo	Spain
Chile	Latvia	St. Lucia
Colombia	Lebanon	St. Vincent and the Grenadines
Comoros Islands	Lesotho	Suriname
Cook Islands	Liechtenstein	Sweden
Costa Rica	Lithuania	Switzerland
Croatia	Luxembourg	Tanzania
Cuba	Macao (SAR China)	Timor Leste
Cyprus	Macedonia (FYROM)	Togo
Czech Republic	Madagascar	Tonga
Denmark	Malawi	Trinidad and Tobago
Djibouti	Malaysia	Tunisia
Dominica	Maldives	Turkey
Dominican Republic	Malta	Turks and Caicos Islands
Ecuador	Mauritius	Tuvalu
Egypt	Micronesia (Federated States)	Uganda
El Salvador	Monaco	United Kingdom
Estonia	Montserrat	Vatican City
Fiji	Mozambique	Vanuatu
Finland	Myanmar	Venezuela
France	Nauru	Zambia
French Polynesia	Nepal	Zimbabwe
Georgia	Netherlands	
Germany	Netherlands Antilles	

