



## Cyprus Tax News

### News Alert: EU Blue Card Applications Now Open in Cyprus

The Migration Department of the Deputy Ministry of Migration and International Protection, has commenced accepting applications for the European Union (EU) Blue Card, as of 7 July 2025.

The [EU Blue Card](#) is a residence permit that allows highly skilled professionals from outside the EU to live and work in participating EU member states, including Cyprus.

#### KEY DETAILS OF THE EU BLUE CARD IMPLEMENTATION:

- [Eligible Sectors for highly skilled employees](#)
  - Information and Communications Technologies (ICT).
  - Pharmaceuticals (for research purposes only).
  - Shipping (excluding ship captains and crew).
- [Minimum Salary Requirement](#)
  - €43,632 gross annual salary.

- Application Process
  - Applications must be submitted exclusively at the Migration Department's head office, in Nicosia.
  - Duly completed applications are processed within ninety (90) days.
- Benefits for EU Blue Card Holders
  - Right to entry, re-entry and residence in Cyprus.
  - Access to qualified employment.
  - Equal treatment with Cypriot citizens, in working conditions, education and social security.
  - Ability to reside in and engage in economic activity in other EU member states, except Denmark and Ireland, for up to 90 days in any 180-day period, by presenting proof of the business purpose of the stay.
- Family Reunification Process
  - Family members of EU Blue Card holders from third countries can apply for residence permits in Cyprus through the 'family reunification' process.
  - There is an option for simultaneous submission of applications for the EU Blue Card and family reunification.
  - Residence permits for family members are granted with the same validity period as the EU Blue Card, provided the passport validity allows.
  - Spouses have the right to free access to the Cypriot labor market for remunerated employment, including self-employment.

### How can we help?

We are at your disposal to assist your business and employees in navigating the application process, advising on compliance with requirements, and supporting associated procedures.

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