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UAE VISA CATEGORIES

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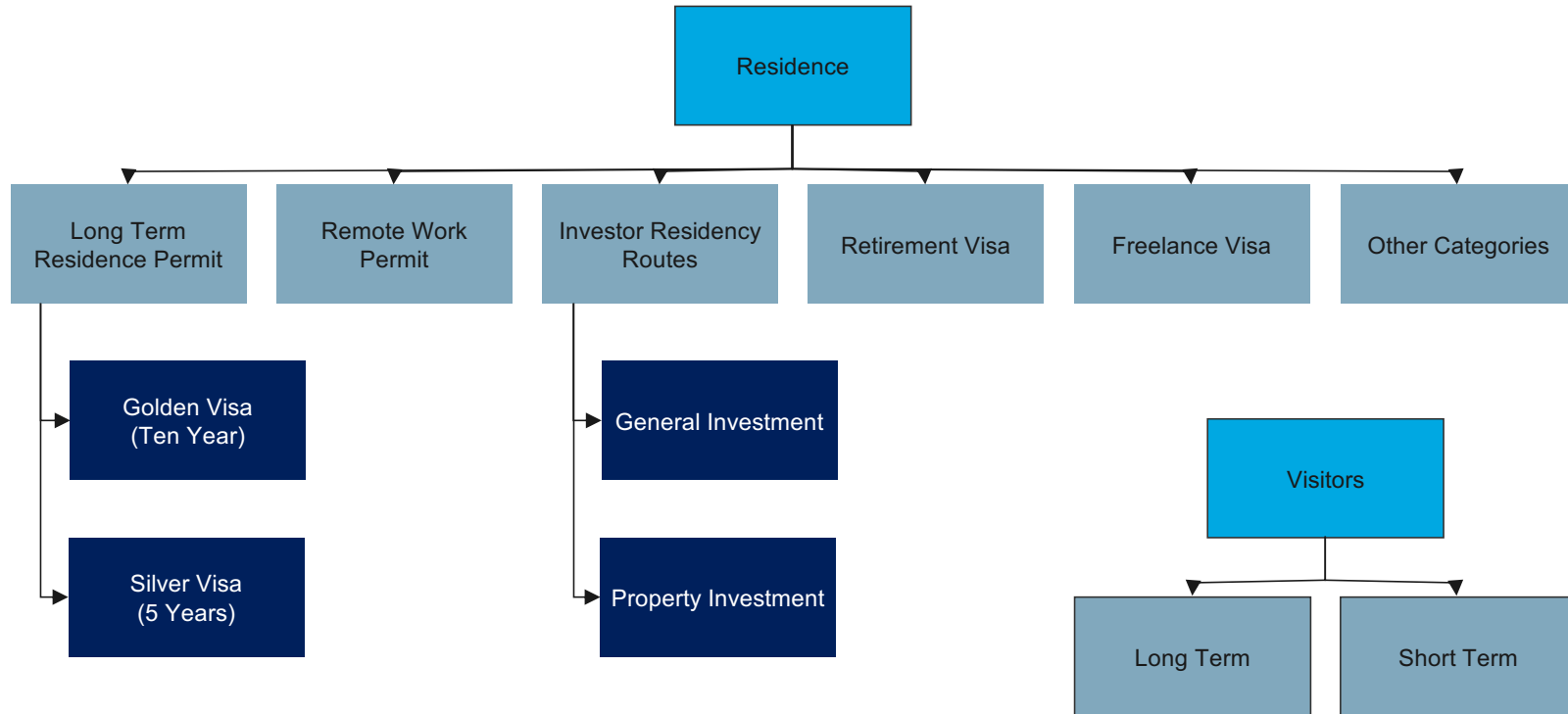


NOTABLE CHANGES Q4-2021

- ▶ New Federal Law on Foreign Nationals' Entry and Residency Implemented the existing regulations from 1973 with its subsequent amendments and is effective immediately assigning the responsibility of its enforcement to the Federal Authority for Identity, Citizenship, Customs and Port Security (FAICCPS)
- ▶ Freelance visa will be granted to self-employed foreign nationals, or foreign nationals who own a business in the UAE or overseas, specializing in fields such as artificial intelligence, blockchain, or digital currency. It is the first federal visa category to cater to such applicant profiles.
- ▶ Five-year visit visa for tourism for international business in Dubai
- ▶ Changes to the UAE National ID processing
- ▶ Introduction of Nafis



UAE IMMIGRATION SOLUTIONS (Excludes Employment Residence Permits)





LONG TERM RESIDENCE OPTIONS

- ▶ **5 and 10 year residency visa** for foreign nationals and their family members in certain professions
- ▶ **Eligible applicants** – Executives, Scientists, Doctors / Specialists, Engineers, Entrepreneurs, Investors & students with exceptional grades or special talents
- ▶ Nomination Process
- ▶ Other Requirements
- ▶ Compliance



REMOTE WORK VISA

VIRTUAL WORKING PROGRAM (REMOTE WORK VISA)

- ▶ **Eligible foreign nationals** – program allows for foreign professionals, entrepreneurs, business owners and their family members to work remotely for up to one year
- ▶ **Minimum salary requirements** - foreign national must earn a minimum salary of USD 5,000 (net) per month
- ▶ Other Documents
- ▶ Compliance

***Note:** Holders of the virtual working program visa and their sponsored dependents cannot perform work for a local employer in the UAE or provide any services to any person or entity carrying out business in the UAE.*



RETIREMENT VISA

- ▶ **5 year residency visa** for retiring foreign nationals and their family members
- ▶ **Eligible foreign nationals** – are at least 55 years old, hold a UAE health insurance and meet the financial criteria
- ▶ **Financial criteria**
 - AED 15,000 (approx. USD 4,100) monthly income (revised on Nov 2021 from AED20,000); OR
 - AED 1 million (approx. USD 275,000) savings; OR
 - AED 1 million (approx. USD 275,000) property - (revised on Nov 2021 from AED2 million); OR
 - A combination of Options 2 and 3



VISITORS

- ▶ 5 Year Visitor Visa (Dubai only)
- ▶ 30, 90, 180 days Visitor Visas
- ▶ Visa on arrival



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