



Global Immigration alert

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Ireland

Ireland introduces online payment of visa application fees for nationals of certain jurisdictions

Executive summary

Effective 8 December 2025, individuals applying for Irish visas in certain jurisdictions are required to pay their application fees online.

Key developments

The Irish immigration authorities introduced online payment of visa application fees for individuals residing in certain [jurisdictions](#) via the AVATS online [platform](#). Previously, payment methods varied by embassy or consulate, and included bank drafts, electronic fund transfers and payments via visa facilitation centers. The Irish authorities intend to expand the online payment system on a phased basis to include all applicants in the future.

Impact on employers

Employers may inform impacted employees about the new requirement and update their internal processes.

Key steps

EY will continue to monitor these developments. Should you have any questions, we encourage you to contact one of our immigration professionals.



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