

Mobility: Immigration alert

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Peru

New residence regulations for nationals of Mercosur and Andean Community Member States

Executive summary

On 23 October 2023, Peru implemented regulations that provide nationals of [Andean Community](#) Member States a new pathway for acquiring temporary and permanent residence and allow individuals to apply for [Mercosur](#) temporary residence visas in their home country.

Key developments

Pursuant to the new regulations, nationals of Andean Community Member States may now:

- ▶ Apply, for the first time, for a two-year Andean Community Temporary Residence Visa - based solely on their nationality - from their country of citizenship or residence or after arrival in Peru
- ▶ Apply for an Andean Community Permanent Residence Visa starting 90 days prior to the expiry of their two-year Andean Community Temporary Residence Visa
- ▶ Obtain an extension of their stay as tourist visitors for up to 90 days and remain for up to 180 days cumulatively per calendar year. Previously, extensions of stay were not permitted

Nationals of Mercosur Member States:

- ▶ May now apply for a Mercosur Temporary Residence Visa from their country of citizenship or residence. Previously, impacted individuals were required to apply after arrival in Peru and wait until they received their residence visa before commencing work in the country

- ▶ Are no longer required to submit their birth certificate as part of their visa application unless specifically requested by the Peruvian authorities

Finally, temporary and permanent residents may now apply for authorization to remain outside Peru for more than 183 or 365 consecutive days respectively, without forfeiting their residence.

Impact on employers

The new regulations are expected to benefit employers by expanding their access to international talent from Andean Community and Mercosur Member States.

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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