### Mortgage

#### **Description**



Mortgage Financing in Portugal –
 Complete Guide

# 1. What is a Mortgage?

A mortgage in Portugal consists of two key elements: âœ" **Loan Agreement**: A bank lends funds to be repaid over an agreed term with interest. âœ" **Property Guarantee**: The purchased property serves as collateral for the loan.

# 2. Key Parties Involved

Party Role

**Borrower** Property buyer who repays the loan.

Bank/Lender Provides funds and holds the mortgage guarantee.

**Notary** Certifies the loan deed (publicly registered).

**Solicitor** Handles legal paperwork and mortgage registration.

# 3. Types of Mortgages

- Acquisition: Purchase of existing properties.
- Construction: Financing for new builds.
- o Renovation: Funding for property upgrades.
- o Rental Investment: Loans for buy-to-let properties.

## 4. Repayment Options

#### **Amortization Methods**

- French System (Standard in Portugal):
  - Initial payments focus on interest, gradually shifting to principal.
  - Early repayment (partial/full) may incur fees (1â€"3% commission).

**Payment Plans** 

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**Fixed Installments** Constant monthly payments (adjusted only for rate changes).

**Progressive Installments** Payments increase over time (agreed with the bank).

### 5. Interest Rates

**Type Pros** Cons Stable payments; immune to market **Fixed Rate** Higher initial rates. fluctuations. Variable Payments fluctuate with Lower initial rates. Rate EURIBOR.

**Spread**: Bank's profit margin (varies by loan amount, property value, and client risk).

### 6. Costs & Fees

Typical Range Cost

Application Fee â,¬200â€"â,¬500 (varies by bank).

**Property Valuation** â,¬150–â,¬400. **Notary/Solicitor Fees** â,¬500–â,¬1,500.

Early Repayment Penalty 1â€"3% of amortized amount.

**APR (Annual Percentage Rate)**: Includes all fees (interest, insurance, taxes) for easy comparison.

## 7. Required Documents

#### **Personal Documents**

- ID/Passport + Portuguese Tax Number (NIF).
- o Recent IRS tax return.
- Employment contract + last 3 payslips.
- Bank statements (6â€"12 months).

#### **Property Documents**

- Land Registry Certificate (Certidão Predial).
- o Fiscal Matrix (Caderneta Predial).
- Habitation License (Licença de Utilização).
- Building Plans + Construction License (if applicable).

## 8. Mandatory Insurance

- o Multi-Risk Insurance: Covers fire, floods, theft (0.1â€"0.3% of property value/year).
- Life Insurance: Ensures loan repayment in case of death/disability (cost depends on age/loan amount).

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âce Preparing documentation to avoid delays.

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