User Guide for Legalization Process in Xpat System

Overview

This guide explains how to process New Regularized Work Permit applications under the latest legalization changes in the Xpat System. It covers eligibility criteria, navigation steps, and application submission.

Eligibility Criteria

Foreign Worker Requirements

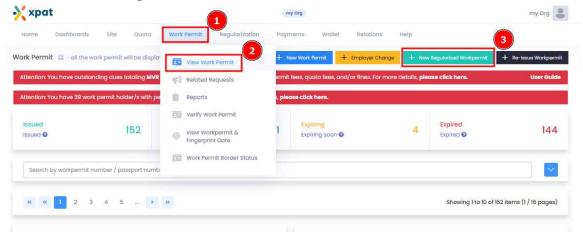
- Legal Entry: Must have entered Maldives legally under an Employment Approval (Work Permit).
- Current Presence: Must be physically present in Maldives.
- No Prior Legalization: Workers who were previously regularized can apply for mass legalization, but once legalized, they cannot be legalized again.
- Status Cut-off: Work permit expired or marked as 'missing' before 31-Dec-2025.
- Clean Record: Must not be blacklisted for criminal or security reasons.
- Fingerprint Requirement: Only workers who have provided fingerprint records during Operation Kurangi are eligible for legalization.

Employer Requirements

- New Employer Only: The employer applying cannot be the same as the previous employer.
- Application Submission: Must be submitted by the new employer through the Xpat System.

Navigation

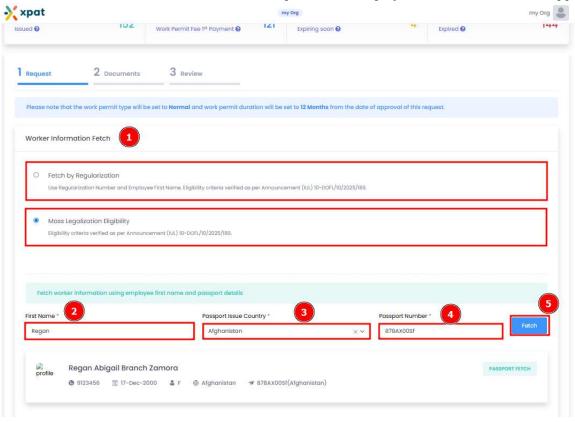
- 1. 1. Login to https://xpat.egov.mv
- 2. 2. Go to Work Permit → View Work Permit tab.
- 3. 3. Click + New Regularized Work Permit.



Application Steps

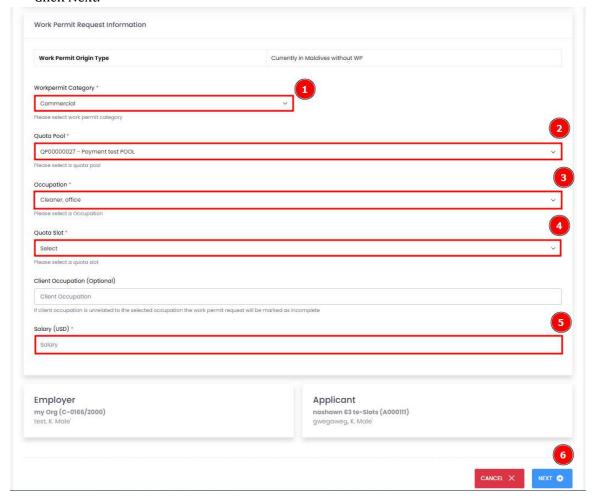
Step 1: Worker Information Fetch

- Choose Mass Legalization Eligibility or Fetch by Regularization.
 - If a worker has not provided fingerprints, they must first go through the regularization process.
- Enter First Name, Passport Issue Country, and Passport Number.
- Click Fetch. If conditions are met, worker profile will display; otherwise, reason will appear in red text.



Step 2: Work Permit Request Information

- Select Work Permit Origin Type, Category, Quota Pool, and Quota Slot.
- Enter Occupation and Salary (USD).
- Click Next.

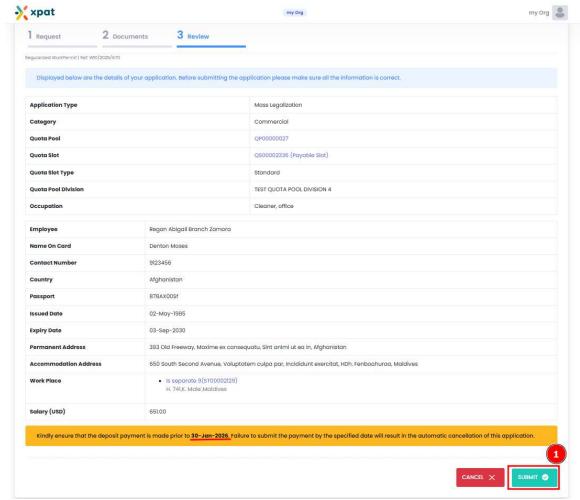


Step 3: Upload Documents

• Add required documents and click Next.

Step 4: Review & Submit

- Review all details and click Submit.
- Ensure deposit payment is made before the specified date to avoid cancellation.



Step 5: Confirmation

• - Upon successful submission, you will see Application Submitted message and request number.



Payment

After processing, pay the deposit for the legalized work permit to acquire the permit for the worker.

Important Notes

• Failure to pay deposit by deadline will cancel the application.

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

Q1: Can a worker with a work permit status of "missing negligence" or "cancelled (missing negligence)" be legalized?

A: No. Workers with these statuses must first complete an employer change process before they can be considered for legalization.

Q2: Can a worker with a status of "reported missing", "cancelled (reported missing)", "missing abscond", or "cancelled (missing abscond)" be legalized?

A: Yes. Workers with these statuses are eligible for legalization under the current program, provided all other eligibility criteria are met.

Q3: If a worker was previously regularized under an earlier program, can they apply for legalization now?

A: Yes, workers who were regularized under previous programs can apply for legalization in this program. However, once legalized through this program, they cannot be legalized again.

Q4: Can the same employer who issued the last work permit apply for legalization for the worker?

A: No. The employer applying for legalization must be different from the previous employer.

Q5: What happens if the deposit payment is not made by the deadline?

A: The application will be automatically cancelled if the deposit is not paid by the specified deadline.

Q6: What documents are required for the application?

A: The required documents will be specified in the Xpat System during the application process. Please ensure all requested documents are uploaded before submitting.