

FOREIGN CITIZEN UNIT (UNIDAD DE CIUDADANOS EXTRANJEROS)

CAMPAIGN FOR RENEWAL OF REGISTRATION OF FOREIGN NATIONALS IN MUNICIPALITIES OF THE PROVINCE OF ALICANTE

Renew your registration. Until 31 March

Are you a citizen of an EU member state, Norway, Switzerland, Iceland or Liechtenstein and you're registered in the province of Alicante? Did you know that you have to confirm your registration in your municipality?

Citizens of an EU member state or from Norway, Switzerland, Iceland and Liechtenstein who are planning to live in Spain for longer than three months must apply for registration in the **Central Registry of Foreign Nationals (RCE)**.

In order to be included in this Registry you need to go in person to the corresponding offices of the National Police Force; your registration number will appear in the Municipal Census of Inhabitants.

You must register in the municipality where you have established your normal place of residence.

If this is your case and you continue to live in the province, you must **CONFIRM** this situation so that the Local Council has an up-to-date record of your registration.

If you are already included in the RCE, you must **CONFIRM it every 5 years**

If you are not yet included in the RCE, you must **CONFIRM it every 2 years**

A change of address or of any personal information that the European citizens report to the Local Council will have the same effect as express confirmation.

Confirmation of residency may consist of:

- Express declaration by the citizen
- Verification of residency by the Local Council

If a European national **fails to confirm his residence**, the Local Council will instigate **official proceedings to cancel that citizen's registration** and will **call the person in question to a hearing**.

Information for NON-EU nationals

Are you a **non-EU** national registered in the province of Alicante but without a Permanent Residency permit? Did you know that you have to **RENEW your registration in the Census? More info**

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Non-EU nationals who are registered in one of the municipalities of the province of Alicante, but who do not have a Permanent Residency permit, must **RENEW** their registration in the Census **every 2 years**.

Renewal is a procedure that citizens must complete at the town hall of the municipality where they live by filling in and submitting the relevant official form.

If citizens report any change of address or personal information, the Local Council may require them to “renew” their registration even if 2 years have not passed since the last renewal.

If non-EU nationals **fail to renew their registration**, the respective Local Council will agree to **cancel their registration in the Census on the grounds of expiry**, which may take effect **without the need for a prior hearing with the person in question**.