

Council Directive 2003/109/EC of 25 November 2003 concerning
the status of third-country nationals who are long-term residents

CHAPTER II

LONG-TERM RESIDENT STATUS IN A MEMBER STATE

Article 5

Conditions for acquiring long-term resident status

- 1 Member States shall require third-country nationals to provide evidence that they have, for themselves and for dependent family members:
 - a stable and regular resources which are sufficient to maintain himself/herself and the members of his/her family, without recourse to the social assistance system of the Member State concerned. Member States shall evaluate these resources by reference to their nature and regularity and may take into account the level of minimum wages and pensions prior to the application for long-term resident status;
 - b sickness insurance in respect of all risks normally covered for his/her own nationals in the Member State concerned.
- 2 Member States may require third-country nationals to comply with integration conditions, in accordance with national law.