



How we help you structure pension income in Portugal

CATEGORY H POTENTIAL
85/15 SPLIT OPTIONAL QNUPS

You are (or soon will be) a Portuguese Tax resident and want predictable retirement income.



Do you receive income from a UK pension? (PP, SIPP, annuity, occupational scheme (some), employer scheme)

No

We focus on other income sources (investments, property, dividends) and build your Portugal tax plan around those.

Yes

We aim for Category H (retirement income) treatment with the right structure and evidence

Is the pension a self-funded/contributory retirement arrangement paid as a pension where capital can't be evidence cleanly?

No

Additional tax advice/review required to determine qualification

Yes

Can the pension pay benefits on a fixed predictable schedule (ideally 10+ years or life), with no ad-hoc withdrawals?

No

Flexible drawdown / one-off lump sums can increase reclassification risk to Category E, with a potential tax charge of 28%. We explore alternatives with your provider + tax adviser.

Yes

Build an annuity-style plan and assess whether 85/15 income/capital split is supportable.

Can your pension provider issue an actuarial certificate? This shows income vs capital, and will provide a schedule showing indexation/inflation, with the relevant actuarial assumptions.

No

Without evidence, the position is harder to defend. We request missing documents or adapt the strategy.

Yes

Tax adviser validates - implement payments - report as Category H with supporting evidence.



Ongoing

Annual review, keep paperwork updated, and avoid unscheduled lump sums to protect the position.

Optional

Do you also have a substantial non-pension assets (often £500k+) and UK IHT exposure.

Yes

Consider a QNUPS. Optional: QB Partners suitability report.

Note: simplified overview. Final tax treatment depends on your facts and professional Portuguese tax advice. Atlas Bridge Wealth does not provide tax advice. Where tax considerations arise, we work closely with trusted local tax advisers to ensure advice is coordinated and appropriate.