
Updated amounts for license categories

Ordinance 212/2022 of August 23 updates the amounts for the categories of public works contractor licenses and private works contractor licenses

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Key aspects

- > Ordinance 119/2012 of April 30 established the most recent amounts for the qualifying categories of public works contractor licenses and private works contractor licenses (and for other administrative permissions for carrying out construction activity).
- > Considering the amount of time that has elapsed, the new ordinance updates the amounts for the different license categories.
- > The objective of this update is to increase competitiveness and to support the economy and companies in the construction sector.



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Under Law 41/2015 of June 3, which establishes the legal regime and the administrative permissions for carrying out construction activity, including public works contractor licenses and private works contractor licenses, construction companies may work on construction projects of a value within the range for the respective qualifying category.

Ordinance 119/2012 of April 30 established the amounts for the categories of public works contractor licenses and private works contractor licenses (and for the other administrative permissions for carrying out construction activity) while the prior regime to Law 41/2015 of June 3 was still in force.

Given the length of time that has elapsed since Ordinance 119/2012 entered into force, Ordinance 212/2022 of August 23 updates the amounts for the categories of public works contractor licenses and private works contractor licenses (and for the other administrative permissions for carrying out construction activity), based on the average increase of all the standard price review formulas for public works and private works contracts since Ordinance 119/2012 entered into force.

The amounts for the qualifying categories of public works contractor licenses and private works contractor licenses (and for the other administrative permissions for carrying out construction activity) and the maximum amounts for work that can be carried out in each qualifying category, updated by Ordinance 212/2022, are shown in the table below:

Classe de habilitações	Valores máximos das obras permitidas (em euros)
1	200 000
2	400 000
3	800 000
4	1 600 000
5	3 200 000
6	6 400 000
7	12 500 000
8	19 000 000
9	acima de 19 000 000

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