Republic of Equatorial Guinea





How to Apply for Mining Rights

STEP 1: SELECT CONTRACT TYPE

There are 3 types of mineral contracts in Equatorial Guinea, each contract grants exclusive right to move to the next type in case the conditions of the mineral contract are met. All contract areas are defined by points on the WGS 84 / UTM 32N grid rounded to the nearest 1,000, and licence boundaries that are oriented North-South or East-West only.

1 Mineral Prospecting Contract

- Exclusive Prospecting right for se- Exclusive exploration right for select- lected substance group granted for 3 years, extendable by 1 year
- Minimum area of 100 hectares (1 Minimum area of 100 hectares (1 km²) and maximum area of 30,000 hectares (300 km²) *

2 Mineral Exploration Contract

- ed substance group granted for 2 years, extendable by 1 year
- km²) and maximum area of 15,000 hectares (150 km²)

3 Mining Production Contract

- Exclusive mining right valid for 20 years
- Area defined by the extent of the mineral deposit and related mining infrastructure

* Except contracts for the exploration of diamonds which may be to a maximum of 100,000 hectares (1,000 km²)

Required Documents

STEP 2: COMPILE AND SUBMIT APPLICATION

Application Form

- Download from www.egronda.com
- Complete and sign
- Map of applied for area: 1:100,000 scale for prospection contracts, 1:50,000 for exploration contracts
- Boundary coordinates
- Financial and technical credentials

Submit Application Documents

- Via email to:
 - mining@egronda.com

STEP 3: GRANTING OF CONTRACT

The state, through the Ministry of Mines shall adjudicate all contract applications submitted to it according to the Mining Law 2019 and its integral exhibits. Foreign enterprises applying for the first time must undergo initial adjudication to determine their suitability to conduct mining activities within the country. If the applied-for contract overlaps with a current or previously applied-for contract, the ministry will notify the applying entity of the conflicted area and permit the application to be revised to exclude the conflicted area.

STEP 4: FEES TO BE PAID UPON CONTRACT APPROVAL

Upon approval, the applying entity must pay the surface area fees a year in advance in full. Upon receipt of all requested fees the contract will be granted.

Mineral Prospecting Contract

Mineral Explration Contract

- \$1 per hectare per year
- \$2.5 per hectare per year

Mining Production Contract

• \$5 per hectare per year

STEP 5: COMMENCE ACTIVITIES

Activities must commence within, and no unjustified hiatus must exceed, the specified times for each contract type: Prospecting 90 days, Exploration 180 days and Exploitation 180 days.

