Guide to Completing an EU Settlement Scheme Application

This guide is for Queen Mary students who are applying to the EU Settlement Scheme to continue residence in the UK after the UK exits the European Union (Brexit)

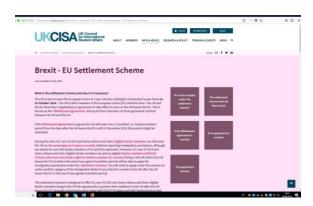
You should also ensure that you read the Brexit: EU Settlement Scheme information on the Queen Mary Advice & Counselling webpages, the United Kingdom Council for International Student Affairs (UKCISA) & the UK Government websites.

Note: This guide is based on applicants to the EU Settlement Scheme using the app. For those who don't have access to an Android phone, it is possible to book an appointment in an ID Document Scanning Location but there is usually a charge of around £14. Alternatively, you can send your ID documents to the Home Office by post*

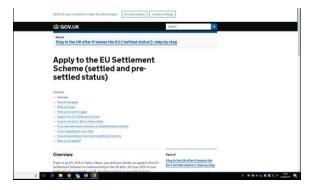
*NB: there services are not currently available due to the Covid-19 situation.

Note: If applying to the EU Settlement Scheme while you are outside the UK, you can only apply using the Android app

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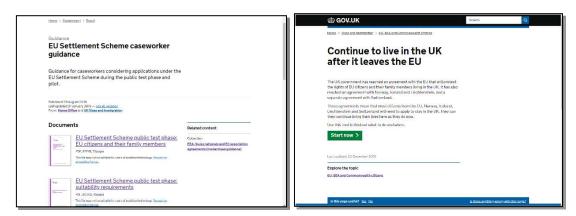
UK Government



The <u>UK Government website</u> has information about the existing (pre Brexit) options for EU, EEA & Swiss nationals and their family members as well as information about the EU Settlement Scheme.

You should also read the information in the <u>EU Settlement Scheme Caseworker Guidance</u> which explains in detail the EU Settlement Scheme requirements. Pages 99-101 provide a list of documents that you can use to evidence your residence in the UK. The <u>Suitability Requirements</u> document explains some of the circumstances where an application may be refused. Ensure you meet the requirements before applying to avoid having a refusal on your immigration history

If you are not sure whether to apply for the EU Settlement Scheme, you can use the <u>online tool</u> on the UK Government website to help you decide whether you need to apply



This guide is divided in to 11 sections

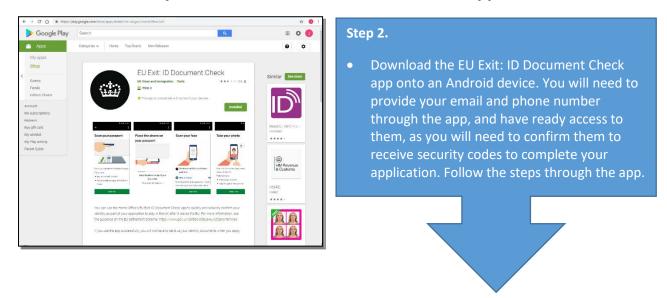
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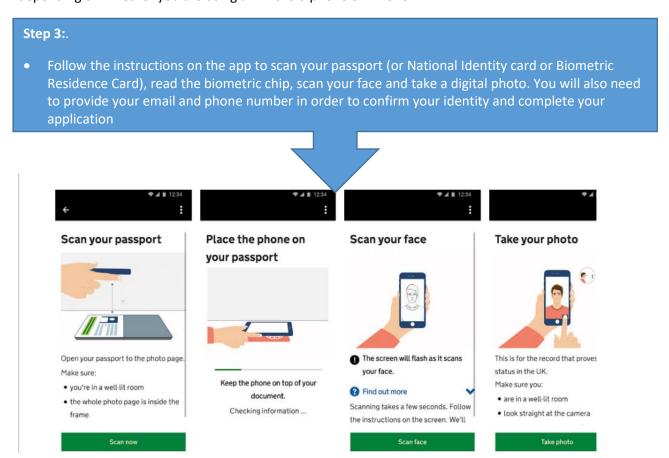




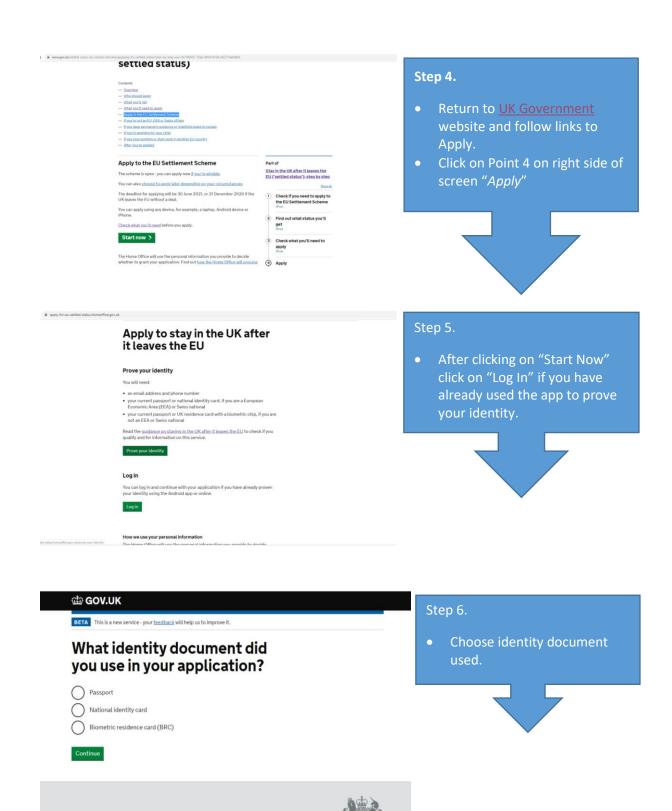
A: Downloading and Using the EU Exit: ID Document Check App – Completing the Identity section of the EU Settlement Scheme application



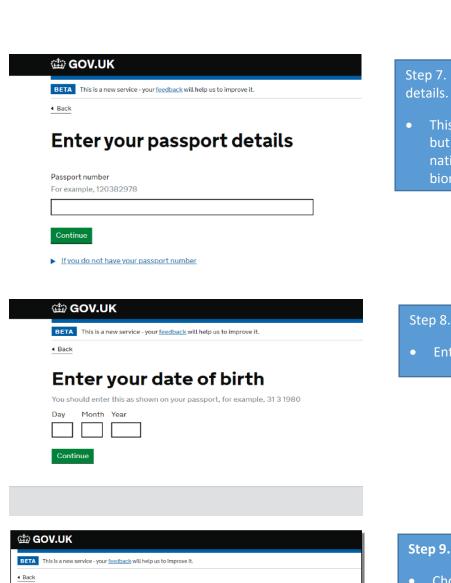
Read the <u>UK Government guidance</u> on using the app. Check the instructions, as the guidance differs depending on whether you are using an Android phone or iPhone.

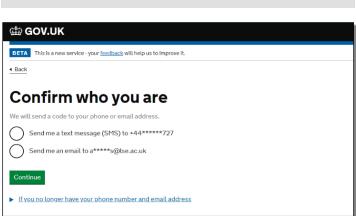


B: Continuing Your Application After Using EU Exit: ID Document Check App



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Step 7. Enter your Identity Document

This example is using a passport but you may have used your national identity card or biometric residence permit



Step 8.

Enter your date of birth



Step 9.

Choose to confirm your identity either by having a code sent by SMS or email.



Step 10. Input the code

- Input the code that was sent to you by SMS or email.
- Click on confirm.



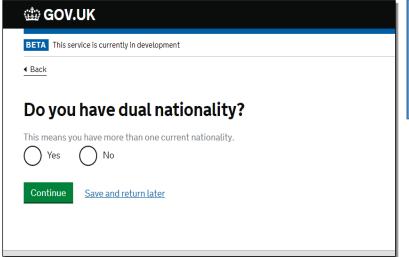
C: Application Type section

This section of the application form consists of four main yes or no questions about whether you hold dual nationality, a Permanent Residence document in the UK or Indefinite Leave to Remain in the UK with follow up questions if you answer yes to any of them.



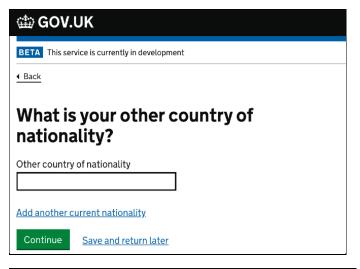


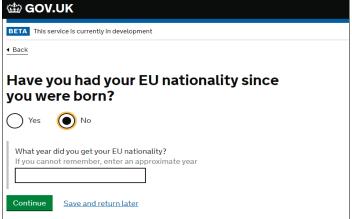
Note: The **Identity** section and **Digital** photo section is already complete if you have used the app. If you choose to prove your identity by sending your identity document to the Home Office, the digital photo will not be completed, you will need to upload a digital photo as part of the online application.





If you answer yes to this question, you will have two follow up questions:









Step 11.a

 If you answered yes to the dual nationality question, provide the other nationality



Step 11.b

 If one of your dual nationalities is EU, you are asked to confirm whether it was from birth or the year you acquired the nationality



Step 12. Previous Nationalities

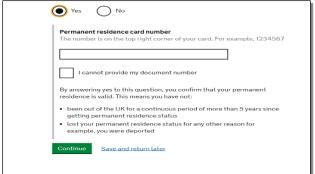
- Confirm if you have held any previous nationalities
- If you answer yes, you should provide details



Step 13. Permanent residence card

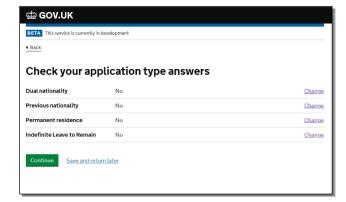
- If you already have a UK permanent residence card choose Yes and then provide the details of your card.
- If not. choose No





d GOV.UK BETA This service is currently in development Have you ever been granted indefinite leave to remain (ILR)? ILR is a type of immigration status you would have applied for. You'll usually have a stamp in your passport if you have it. By answering yes to this question, you confirm that your ILR status is valid. been out of the UK for a continuous period of more than 2 years since getting ILR lost your ILR status for any other reason for example, you were deported O Yes O No Continue Save and return later

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Yes No	
Year you got ILR	
If you cannot remember the exact year you got ILR, either:	
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Step 13.a

If you answered yes to the question on Permanent Residence Card, you should provide the card number here



Step 14. Indefinite Leave to Remain

- If you already have Indefinite Leave to Remain (ILR) choose Yes and then provide the details of your ILR
- If not. choose No



Step 14.a

If you answered yes to the question about ILR provide the date



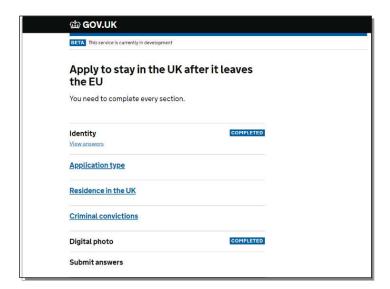
Step 15. Check your answers

• Check your answers and make any changes as necessary before progressing through the form.

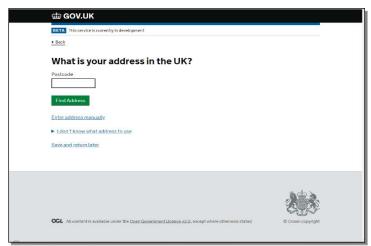


D: Residence in the UK section

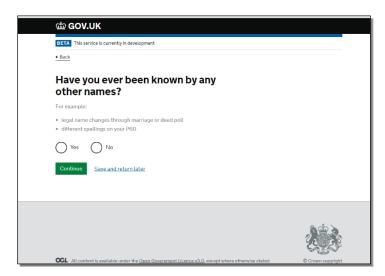
This section of the application consists of three main questions: your address in the UK, any previous names and your National Insurance Number

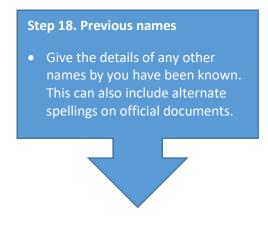


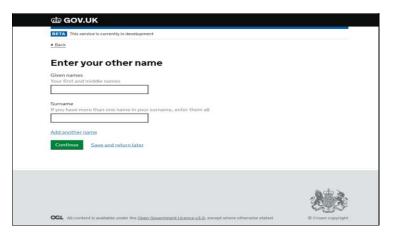




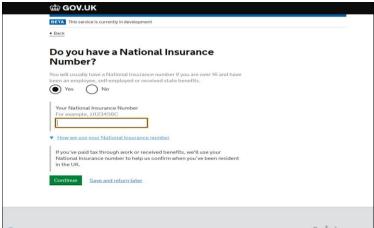








If you answered yes to the other names question, provide other names here.



Step 19. National Insurance Number (NINo)

- If you have a NINo answer *Yes* and then provide the number.
- If you do not have a NINo because you haven't worked, answer no.



If you have been working within the last six months, the government can use your NINo to establish your residence for **Pre-Settled status**, without any further evidence necessary.

If you have been working continuously for the last five years, your NINo may be able to confirm your residence to obtain **Settled Status** without any further evidence necessary.

If your NINo does not confirm five years of work you will be considered for Pre-Settled status. If you believe this is incorrect you can challenge this later in the application process before finalising.

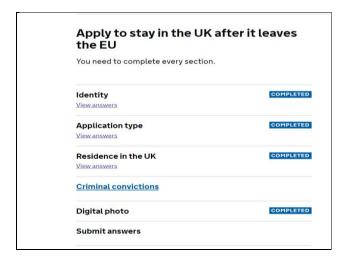
If you haven't applied for a NINo because you haven't been working you will be able to use other evidence to show residency in the UK (eg. <u>Student Status letter</u> from Queen Mary). However, if you are working you should ensure you <u>get a NINo</u>.

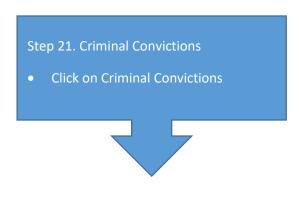


Step 20. Check your answers Check your answers on residency and make any changes as required.

E: Criminal Convictions Section

The UK Government department responsible for Visas & Immigration (UKVI) asks about criminal convictions in all immigration applications. There are three questions in this section. You should answer all of the questions in this section truthfully. If you are unsure, contact the Advice & Counselling Service. Depending on the nature of the conviction, we may refer you for external advice.





◆ Back

Have you ever been:

- convicted of a criminal offence
- arrested or charged with an offence that you're on trial for or awaiting trial

This includes offences in the UK or any other country



◆ Back

Step 22. Criminal Convictions

- Answer yes or no
- Read the guidance if you are unsure about offences



Have you been convicted of a criminal offence in the UK in the last 12 months?



• If you answered yes to the question in Step 22, this is a follow up question.

Have you had a criminal conviction outside the UK that involved any of the following:

- a violent offence
- a drug-related offence
- a prison sentence of 12 months or longer

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◆ Back

Have you ever been arrested or charged for an offence for which you are currently on, or awaiting, trial or which is pending a decision to charge?

Yes No

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◆ Back

Have you ever supported, encouraged or been involved in:

- terrorist activities
- war crimes, crimes against humanity or genocide
- an extremist organisation

Yes No

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Step 22.b.

• If you answered yes to the question in Step 22, this is another follow up question.



Step 22.c.

• If you answered yes to the question in Step 22, this is another follow up question.

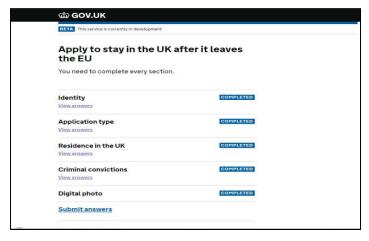


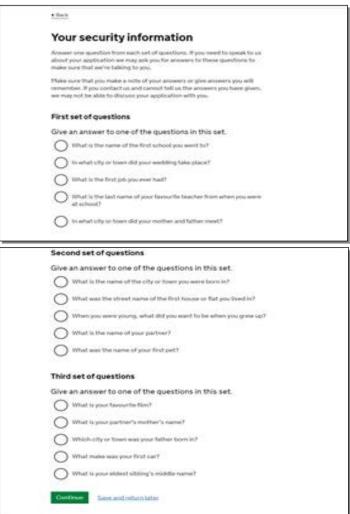
Step 23. Terrorism

• Answer this question yes or no



F. Submitting your EU Settlement Scheme Application







Step 21. Check all sections

- Check your answers and make any further changes where necessary.
- Check all sections are highlighted then click on *Submit Answers*



Step 22. Security questions

- Choose one option from each of the three sets of security questions.
- Provide an answer to the questions you have chosen.
- Click on submit.
- Remember them next time you log in.



Declaration

By submitting your application you are confirming that:

- the documents you have uploaded are genuine to the best of your knowledge
- · you are eligible and have been resident in the UK for the period you apply for - if you disagree with our data
- your photograph is an accurate likeness of you

We will process your information in line with our <u>terms and conditions</u> and

If we find a mistake in your application, we will contact you to help you correct this. If your application meets the criteria under the EU Settlement Scheme you will be granted status

Your application may be refused and you could be prosecuted if you deliberately provide false information or documents.

Did you have any help completing your application?

No, I completed it myself

Yes, someone else helped me or is applying on my behalf

Contacting you about your application

If we need more information from you, we will email you. If you cannot get into your email account, we can phone you instead.

Step 24. Declaration

- Make any changes before completing the declaration. Usually once the declaration is submitted you cannot make any further changes.
- Confirm you have provided the correct information and meet the requirements.
- Confirm how you wish to be contacted.

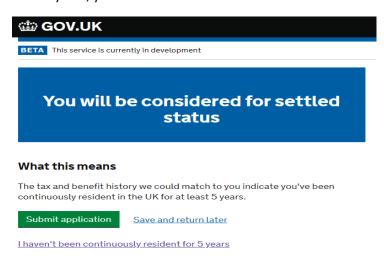


G. Consideration for Settled or Pre-Settled Status

After completing the declaration the Home Office will immediately check your National Insurance records (if you have a National Insurance number) in order to determine whether you will be considered for settled status or pre-settled status. You will be notified within a few seconds which status you are being considered for.

Once you have confirmed if you accept the status you are being considered for, or not and provided evidence, your application will be considered and you can normally expect to receive your decision within a few working days.

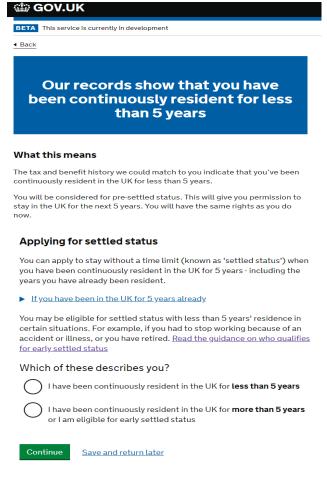
If your National Insurance records show that you have been continuously resident in the UK for at least 5 years, you will be considered for Settled Status.

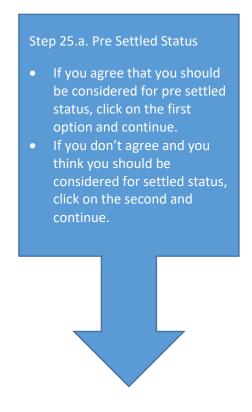


Step 25. Settled Status • If you agree that you should be considered for settled status, click on submit application.

If you are being considered for Settled Status after a check of your National Insurance record, your application is now complete and you only need to await the decision notice.

If your National Insurance record does not show that you have been continuously resident in the UK for at least 5 years, you will be considered for pre settled status.

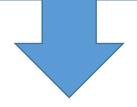




Complete your application You have chosen to provide evidence for settled status. Change What evidence to provide 1. View the years you need to provide evidence for. 2. Read the guide about what to use as evidence. Add your evidence 1. Take a scan or photo of your evidence. 2. Save it somewhere you can easily find on your computer or device. 3. Upload your evidence. (Each document must be no more than 6MB in size. You can upload a maximum of 10 documents.) 4. Enter the dates it covers.

Step 26.

 If you are wish to be considered for Settled Status, you will be given the opportunity to provide documents to prove your settled status



If you can't provide evidence

You can tell us if you can't provide evidence for some residence periods, or at all. A caseworker will contact you after you submit your application and help you find ways to prove your residence.

I can't provide evidence

I confirm the documents uploaded are correct to the best of my

Save and return later

Provide evidence for the following years 2015 Provide evidence of residence for any 6 months of this year. 2014

2013 Provide evidence of residence for any 6 months of this year.

If you can't provide evidence for these years

You can upload evidence:

- · for a different 5 year period
- That you were out of the UK for an important reason such as work, study, pregnancy, childbirth, illness, training, or military service
- that you're eligible for settled status with less than $5\,\text{years}$ residence, for example because you were working in the UK but have retired

Read the full guidance on how you can show you're eligible for settled status

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Step 27. Providing evidence

• If your National Insurance record check didn't show 5 years of residence, you will be informed of the years for which you will need to provide evidence



Upload proof

Upload 1 document at a time and then add the dates that it covers

Choose file Annual_stateme...C_23418618.pdf

Your uploads

Annual statement 15-nov-14 AC 23418618.pdf

Delete

Assign dates

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Step 28. Uploading evidence

- Check pages 99-101 of the guidance before you choose documents to upload as proof of your residence in
- Follow the instructions for uploading
- Assign dates for the documents

What does your document cover?

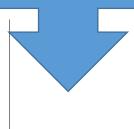
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Month Year

End date

For example, 12 2012 Month Year

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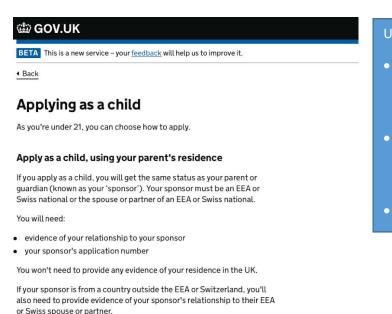


H. Applications by people under the age of 21

If you are under the age of 21 at the time of your application to the EU Settlement Scheme and your parent(s) are in the UK, you have the option to apply for settlement based on your parent(s) status or your own.

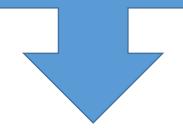
You may choose to do this if, for example, your parent(s) have been resident in the UK for more than 5 years and will be/ have already been granted Settled Status. In this case, you would not need to provide evidence of your own residence in the UK and you can be granted the same status as your parent (even if you have been resident in the UK for less than 5 years).

Alternatively, if your parents are not resident in the UK, or if you choose to apply based on your own residence for any other reason, you will be considered for status dependent on your length of residence in the UK. You need to evidence your residence either through your National Insurance record or by uploading evidence (eg: student status letter)



Under 21s

- If you are under 21 you can choose to apply based on your parent(s) residence in the UK (if applicable) or on your own residence.
- If your parent(s) have already applied and have an application reference number, you can link your application to their status in the UK
- Choose and click continue



Apply based on your own residence

How do you want to apply?

If you don't want the same status as your parent or guardian, you can apply based on your own residence in the UK. You may want to do this if you're eligible for settled status but your parent or guardian isn't.

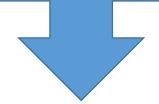
You will need to provide evidence of your residence in the UK.

You won't need to provide evidence of your relationship to your parent or guardian.

Apply using my parent's residence in the UK
Apply using my own residence in the UK
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Apply using my parent's residence in the UK
Your sponsor's details
You only need one sponsor.
If more than one person can sponsor you and they've been resident in the UK the same length of time as each other, you can use either person as your sponsor. If they've been resident in the UK for different lengths of time, use the person who has been resident in the UK the longest as your sponsor.
Given names Also known as their first and middle names.
Surname Include all their surnames, if they have more than one.
What's their application number? This will be on any emails they received about their application, for example 3434-0000-0000-0001.

Under 21s

- If you have chosen to apply based on your parent(s) residence in the UK, you must provide the name and application number for your parent.
- Here sponsor refers to a parent resident in the UK

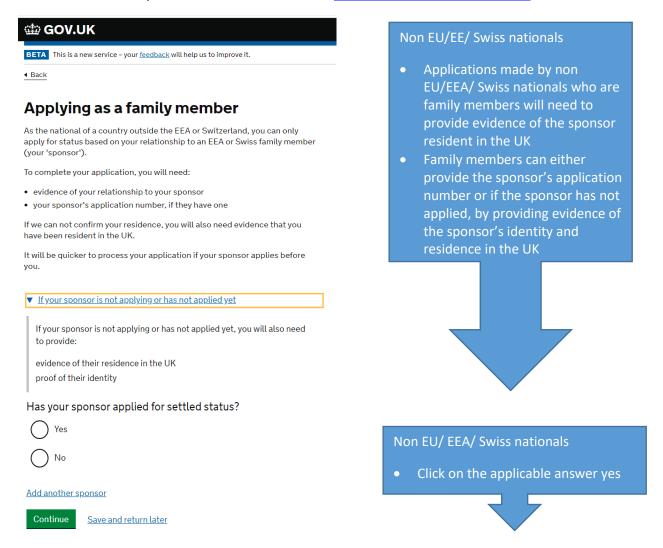


I. Non EU/ EEA/ Swiss nationals applying as the family member of an EU/EEA or Swiss national (Sponsor) resident in the UK.

If you are a national of another country not an EU or EEA member's state or Switzerland, you may be able to apply to the EU Settlement Scheme based on the residence in the UK of your family member if they are an EU/ EEA or Swiss national.

Family members who can apply are defined in the Immigration Rules as spouse/civil partner or partner, children under the age of 21 (including direct descendants such as grandchildren), parents (including direct ascendants such as grandparents) and other dependent relatives

More details on family members can be found in the **EU Settlement Scheme Guidance**



Has your sponsor applied for settled status? Yes Your sponsor's details Given names Also known as their first and middle names. Include all their surnames, if they have more than one. What's their application number? This will be on any emails they received about their application, for example 3434-0000-0000-0001. If you cannot find their application number, leave blank. Has your sponsor applied for settled status? No. Your sponsor's details You will also need to provide evidence of your sponsor's identity and What is their country of nationality? Also known as their first and middle names. What is their date of birth? For example, 31 3 1980. Month Year Postcode Find Address Enter address manually Add another sponsor

Continue

Save and return later

Non EU/ EEA/ Swiss nationals

 If your sponsor has already applied to the EU Settlement Scheme, provide their details here



Non EU/ EEA/ Swiss nationals

- If your sponsor has not applied to the EU Settlement Scheme, provide their details here
- You will also need to provide evidence of their identity and their residence in the UK as part of your application



J. Post Submission of Application: Certificate of Application & Grant of Status

After you submit your application, you will receive an email confirming that your application has been submitted and with an attached Certificate of Application.

Your application will then be considered and a decision will be communicated to you by email normally within a few working days.



Email confirming application





CERTIFICATE OF APPLICATION This certificate of application confirms receipt of your valid application under the EU Settlement Scheme. You will receive a decision shortly. You can continue to rely on any rights you have as an EU citizen, or as the family member of an EU citizen. If you have any queries about your application, information about how to contact us can be found on the Gov.UK website at: https://eu-settled-status-enquiries.service.gov.uk. If you have sent us your passport or identity document, you will receive it back shortly. You should not make any travel plans until it is returned to you. Note for employers A person who has applied under the EU Settlement Scheme may already have a right to work in the UK on the basis of EU law An EU citizen can demonstrate this with their EU passport or national identity card. A non-EU citizen can demonstrate their right to work in the UK with a biometric residence If a non-EU citizen does not have a biometric residence document, you can request information about their right to work by using the e-form which can be found by following this link: www.immigrationstatuscheck.service.gov.uk/employers/, Further information about the Employer Checking Service and the responsibilities of employers can be found at: www.gov.uk/employee-immigration-employment-status. Yours sincerely, UKVI European Casework On Behalf of the Secretary of State Further information

If there are any questions about your application or if your application evidence is not sufficient to grant you the status that you have confirmed you should be considered for, the Home Office should email you to request information or additional documents.



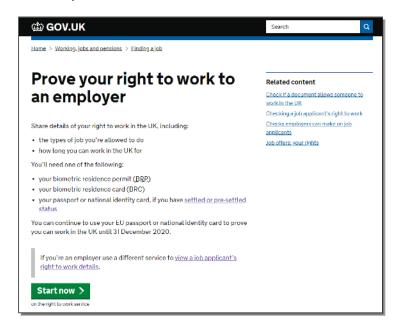
Example of email requesting extra information

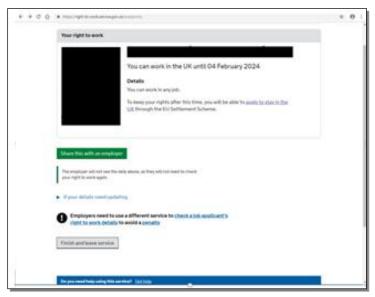
Your Settled or Pre Settled Status is issued digitally and if you are an EU/ EEA or Swiss national you won't be granted a status document but a letter confirming grant.



K. Proving your Right to Work in the UK to an Employer

You can check your status online and you can in the future grant employers (and others) permission to check your status





Check your status

- Follow the Right to Work link
- Click on Start now
- Confirm if you have applied to the EU Settlement Scheme and the ID document used
- Provide requested details (ID document number and date of birth)
- Confirm identity through code sent to your phone or email

Check your status

- If you have settled status this will show you can work in the UK with no deadline
- If you have pre settled status, this will show that you can work in the UK for 5 years

