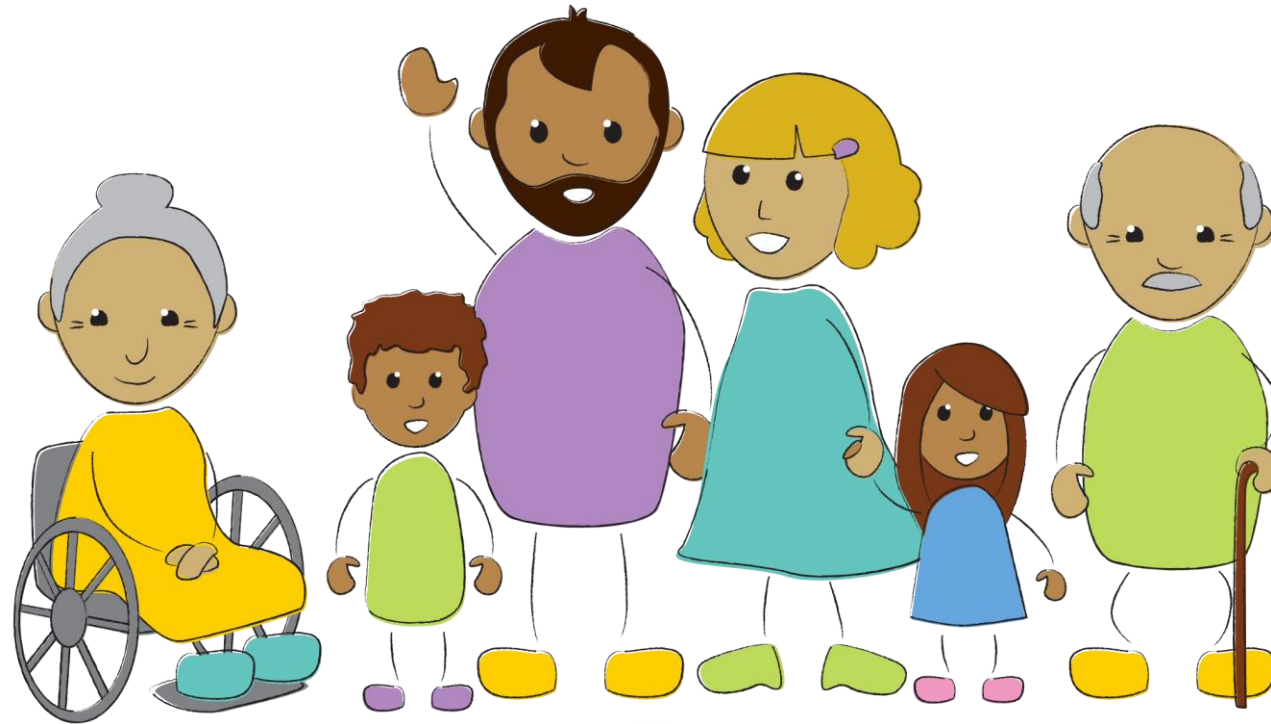
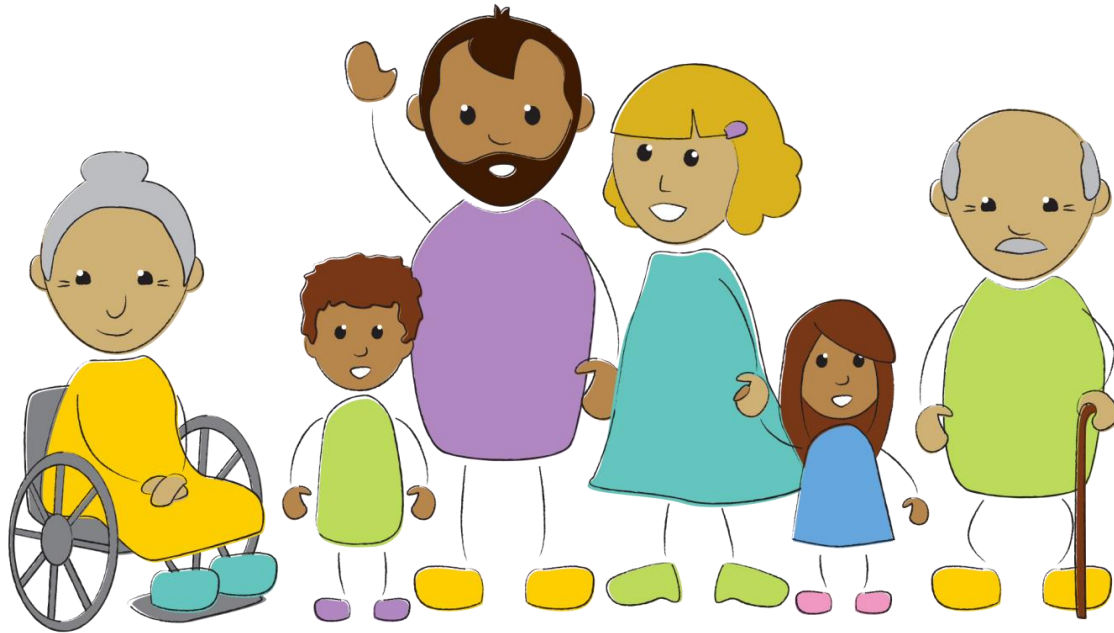


EU Settlement Scheme and Joining family members



Joining Family Members



Remember: the sponsor must have obtained their status based on their own rights of residence. People whose status has been obtained as a joining family member sponsored by someone else cannot be a sponsor for another joining family member application

Family members who can join you in the UK:

- Spouse or civil partner
- Durable partner
- Children/grandchildren under the age of 21
- Dependent children/grandchildren over the age of 21
- Dependent parents/grandparents

Your relationship must have begun by 31/12/2020 (31/12/2025 for family member of Swiss citizens) and must still exist. This does not apply to future children.

Brothers, sisters, aunts, uncles and nephews are not included and cannot apply to the scheme as Joining Family Members

When do I have to apply?...

If you are planning to join your family members in the UK there is no deadline to apply.

BUT bear in mind...

Children over the age of 21 and parents must demonstrate their dependence from the sponsor,

Collect all the proofs in advance.



Applying as a joining family member



EU Exit: ID document check

Use this app to confirm your identity as part of your EU Settlement Scheme application.

To apply using the App, you need...

- **Proof of identity**, such as biometric passport or electronic identity card
- **Unique Application Number (UAN) of your sponsor.** This is a 16-number code, 3434-xxxx-xxxx-xxxx, located on the top right of your sponsor's status letter.
- **Personal e-mail and mobile number**
- Proof of your **relationship** with your family member
- **Proofs of dependency** (when requested)

What will my status be?...

- **Children under the age of 21** will be granted the same status of their parents/sponsor: pre-settled status or settled status
- **All the other Joining Family Members (JFM)** will be granted pre-settled status.



Important !

For joining family members the calculation of their absences starts from the date in which the status is granted!

Proof for spouses and durable partners



Spouse or civil partner:

(if you got married or formed a civil partnership by 31 December 2020)

- Marriage certificate dated before 31/12/2020



Durable partner:

(durable relationship begun before 31/12/2020)

- Proof of your cohabitation before 31/12/2020 (preferably 2 years by the end of 2020);
- Proof of your relationship (e.g. joint bank statements, joint house contracts...) and/or birth certificates of your children.

Proof for children



Children or grandchildren up to the age of 20 (0-20)
(yours or your civil partner/spouse's)

- Birth certificate of your child
- If the child is only the son/daughter of your spouse/civil partner, you must provide the marriage certificate/civil certificate and also prove that the relationship is still ongoing at the date of the application.



Dependent children or grandchildren 21 and above (21+)
(yours or your civil partner/spouse's)

- Birth certificate of your child
- If the child is only the son/daughter of your spouse/civil partner, you must provide the marriage certificate/civil certificate and also prove that the relationship is still ongoing at the date of the application.
- Proof that shows the dependency on the sponsor for financial or health reasons (physical or mental)

Proofs for parents

Dependent parents/grandparents (yours or your civil partner/spouse's)

- Birth certificate
- If it is your spouse/civil partner's parent, you must provide the marriage certificate/civil certificate and also prove that the relationship is still ongoing at the date of the application.
- Proofs that show the dependency on the sponsor for economic or health reasons (physical or mental)
(bank transfers, letters from the GP or consultant...)

Dependency – for the child/grandchild who is over 21 and for the parent- **must be proved at the time of submission of the application and it does have to be a full dependency!**

The Home Office accepts both a partial and a temporary dependence.

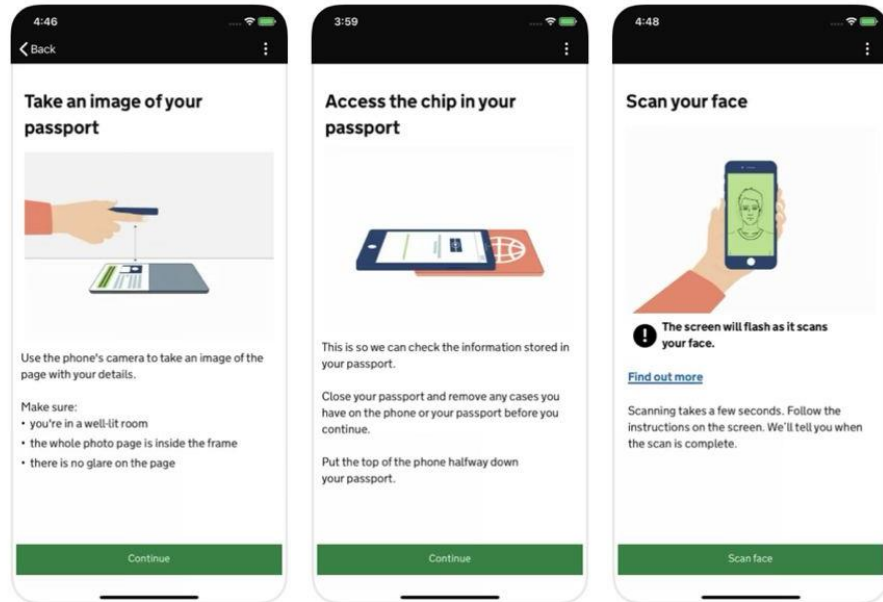
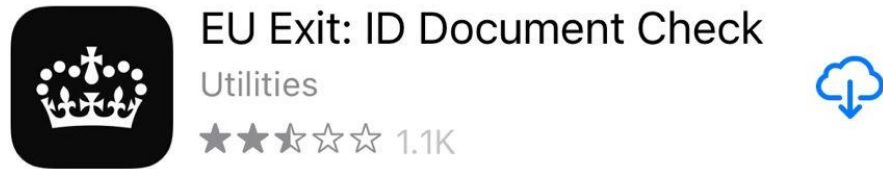


Joining your family member For EEA citizens with an electronic proof of identity and a non-British sponsor

(and for citizens with a valid BRC and a non-British sponsor)



1: Download the App



DOWNLOAD the App EU EXIT: ID Document Check with which you will:

- Scan your proof of identity (biometric passport/electronic identity card/BRC);
- Provide your personal data;
- Provide your email address and mobile number (you will need to provide the 6 digit code that will be sent on your mobile and email);
- Put the mobile on the cover of your passport to let the app reading it;
- Take a picture of you.



**You can use the smartphone of a friend. The App does not keep any of your data available for access.
If your telephone operator is non-UK, you might have issues receiving the code.**

2: Fill the online form

Apply

The deadline for applying for most people was 30 June 2021. You can still apply [if that deadline did not apply to you, or you have 'reasonable grounds' for not applying by the deadline.](#)

If you're [applying for yourself and your children](#), make your own application first.

Start now >



The Home Office will use the personal information you provide to decide whether to grant your application. Find out [how the Home Office will process your personal information.](#)

Continue your application

If you've already started to apply, you can [continue your application.](#)

Who cannot use this service

You cannot use the online service to apply to the scheme if you're applying as:

Complete your application online

Once you have completed all the steps using the App, you will need to:

- Complete your application on Gov.uk;
- You need to provide the details of your sponsor and
- Provide more data about you.

Use the following link to continue your application

<https://www.gov.uk/settled-status-eu-citizens-families/applying-for-settled-status>

and click on «**CONTINUE YOUR APPLICATION**»

!! If you are applying as a joining family member, you must tick the box that says that you have not been in the UK before 31/12/2020 !

3: Upload your documents

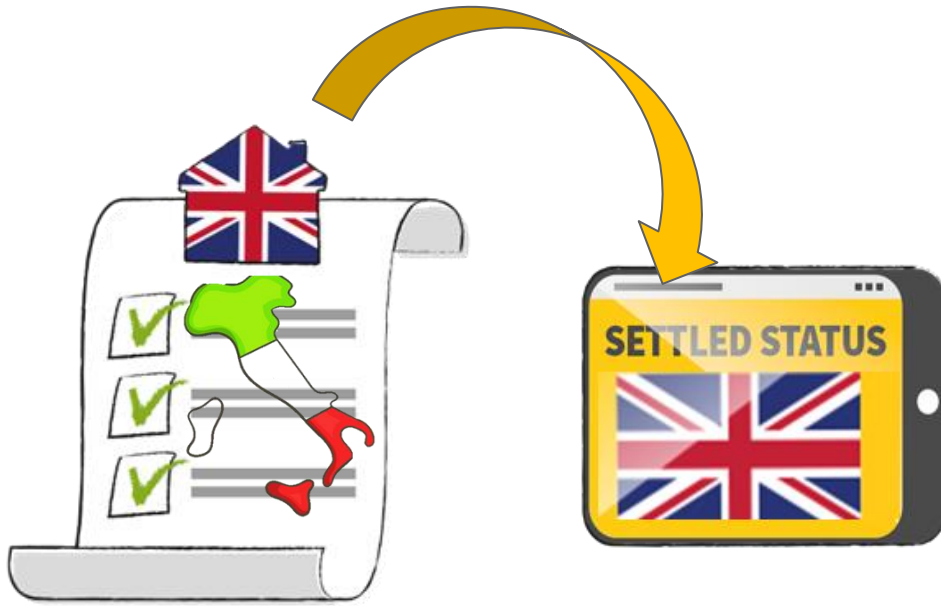
At the end of the application, you can upload the relevant documents to prove your family relation with your sponsor in the UK

The birth certificates are usually transcribed using the Latin characters and do not need to be translated to apply for the (pre-)settled status... *but must be translated to apply for the EU Settlement Scheme Family Permit.*

However, the caseworker may ask for the translation later on.

Any justification, such as letters from educational and medical settings, must be translated by a certified translator. There is a list on the website of the Italian consulate:

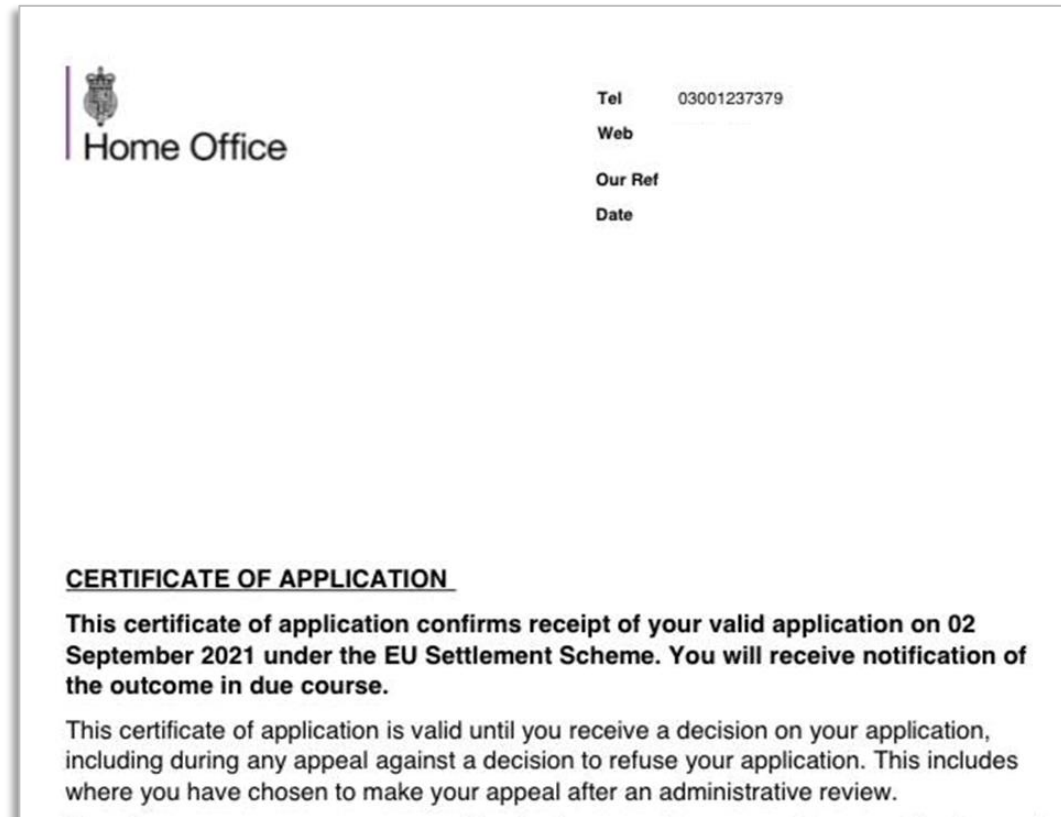
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Attention !

If you have applied from outside the UK, you must wait for a response before entering the UK.

4: Entering the U.K.



Home Office

Tel 03001237379
Web
Our Ref
Date

CERTIFICATE OF APPLICATION

This certificate of application confirms receipt of your valid application on 02 September 2021 under the EU Settlement Scheme. You will receive notification of the outcome in due course.

This certificate of application is valid until you receive a decision on your application, including during any appeal against a decision to refuse your application. This includes where you have chosen to make your appeal after an administrative review.

At some point, you will receive a Certificate of Application (CoA).

The CoA is not an “entry clearance”, it does not mean that you have leave to remain in the United Kingdom, or the right to work!

The Home Office will contact you via email, so check your emails regularly.

If you have applied from abroad, you can join your family member in the UK once your Pre-settled or settled status has been approved.

If you would like to have a holiday in the UK, you can stay up to 6 months as a visitor/tourist. We suggest to travel with a return ticket to show at the border.

Joining Your family member For non-EEA citizens

(and for citizens with a paper identity card and/or British sponsor, Lounes/Surinder Singh)



EU Settlement Scheme Family Permit



***Lounes Scheme:** Your sponsor is an UE, SEE or Swiss citizen naturalised British.

Surinder Singh Scheme: Your sponsor is a British citizen who exercised EU rights on free movement and lived with you in any country in UE, SEE or Switzerland.

In both these schemes, your sponsor has access to the rights guaranteed by the withdrawal agreement but did not have to apply for settled status.

If ...

- A. Your sponsor is a British citizen (Lounes Scheme* / Surinder Singh Scheme)**
or if
- B. You are a non-EEA citizen**
or if
- C. You are a European citizen but you do not have an electronic identity document**

You need to request an entry clearance, then move to the UK and then apply for (pre-)settled status

The EU Settlement Scheme Family Permit (EUSS FP) is a visa that allows you to pass the border in order to do this. It is issued as a sticker that will be put in your passport.

You can request it on Gov.uk:

<https://www.gov.uk/family-permit/apply-joining-family-member-eu-switzerland-norway-iceland-liechtenstein>

!! With the EUSS FP you can work and study in the UK until it expires... *it usually expires after 6 months.*

EU Settlement Scheme Family Permit

!! All the proofs must be translated to English



Spouses or civil partners:

(if you got married or formed a civil partnership by 31 December 2020)

- Marriage certificate, dated before 31/12/2020

Children/grandchildren up to the age of 20

(yours or your civil partner/spouse's)

- Birth certificate of your children/grandchildren
- If the child is only the son/daughter of your spouse/civil partner, you must provide the marriage certificate/civil certificate and also prove that the relationship is still ongoing at the date of the application.

Dependent children/grandchildren over the age of 21

(yours or your civil partner/spouse's)

- Birth certificate of your child
- If the children is of your spouse/civil partner, you must provide the marriage certificate/civil certificate and prove that the relationship continues
- Proofs that show the dependency on the sponsor for economic or health reasons (physical or mental)

dependent parents/grandparents

(yours or your civil partner/spouse's)

- The sponsor's birth certificate
- If it is your spouse/civil partner's parent, you must provide the marriage certificate/civil certificate and also prove that the relationship is still ongoing at the date of the application.
- Proofs that show the dependency on the sponsor for economic or health reasons (physical or mental)

Durable partner

- Proof of your cohabitation before 31/12/2020 (preferably 2 years by the end of 2020);
- Proof of your relationship (e.g. joint bank statements, joint house contracts...) and/or birth certificates of your children.

EU Settlement Scheme Family Permit

1. Register your email
2. Fill the online form
3. Self-declaration
4. *Upload all your translated documents on **TLScontakt** or choose the service that will scans the documents for you
5. Pay

*Book an appointment with **TLScontakt** if you are in **Europe, Africa or some areas in the Middle East** (use VFS global if you are not in the places listed above).

The cost of the service may vary.

For more information use the following link:

<https://www.tlscontact.com/>

Watch the following video:

<https://youtu.be/UG3PJsWWJil>

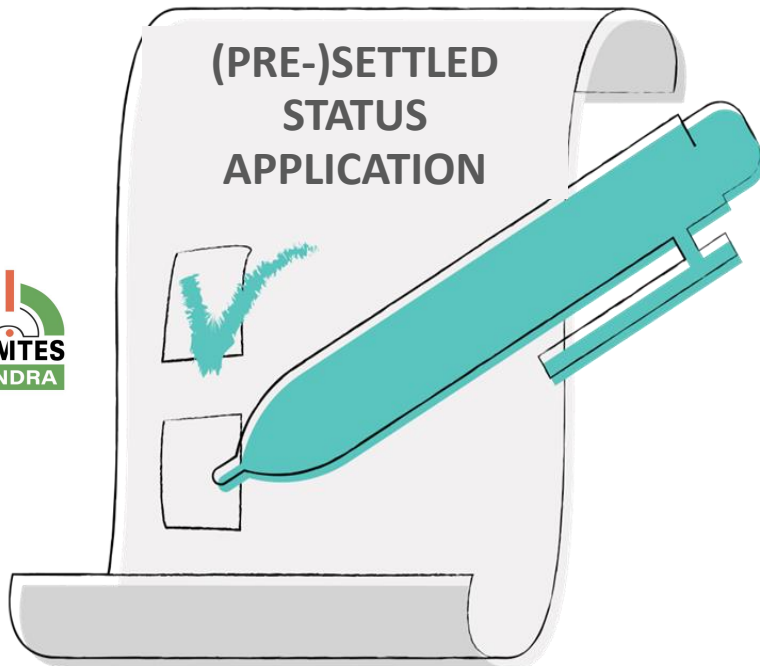
Check where your closer UK Visa Application Centre is located.

For example, in Italy there are only 2 centres located in Milan and Rome.

Remember that you must go in person.

!!! Be patient and wait for the response outside of the UK!
You can join your family member in the UK only once your EUSS Family Permit is approved.

A. Applying for (pre-)settled status



A. If you are applying under the Lounes Scheme or Surinder Singh Scheme...

Once arrived in the UK, you will need to contact the Home Office Settlement Resolution Centre

T: 0300 123 7379 *You will need to explain your circumstances and request a paper application. You will need to fill all the fields and send it together with the documents uploaded with the EUSS Family Permit application.*

You will receive the Certificate of Application (CoA), that lets you live and work in the UK whilst you wait for a response.

The Home Office will contact you via e-mail, check your email regularly!



Those who have been granted the EUSS FP and want to apply for (pre-)settled status, must apply for the status **within 3 months from their arrival in the UK and within the validity of their EUSS Family Permit.**

B. Applying for (pre-)settled status

How can we check your identity document?

- Use the 'EU Exit: ID Document Check' iPhone app or Android app
- Book an appointment to scan my identity document in person
- Enter my document details online and send my identity document by post

Continue

B. If you are a non-EEA citizen or you have a paper identity document, you cannot apply for (pre-settled) status using the EU EXIT: ID Check App, so...

Select «**Start Now**» on **Gov.uk**:

<https://www.gov.uk/settled-status-eu-citizens-families/what-settled-and-presettled-status-means>

Choose to send the documents via Royal Mail

Attention!

If you are a non-EEA citizen, there is actually no need to send your passport to the Home Office. You will need to bring it at an appointment with UKVCAS.

!! To apply for (pre-) settled status you need:

- The UAN of your sponsor (16 digits, on top right of their status letter)
- All the documents already sent for the EUSS Family Permit

Applying for (pre-)settled status



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This certificate of application confirms receipt of your valid application on 02 September 2021 under the EU Settlement Scheme. You will receive notification of the outcome in due course.



If you are a non-EEA citizen, once you have selected "submit", you will see the UKVCAS website.

You will need to register yourself and book an appointment to collect your biometric data and obtain the Biometric Residence Card (BRC).

The UKVCAS offices are located across the UK and offer free appointments from 9am.

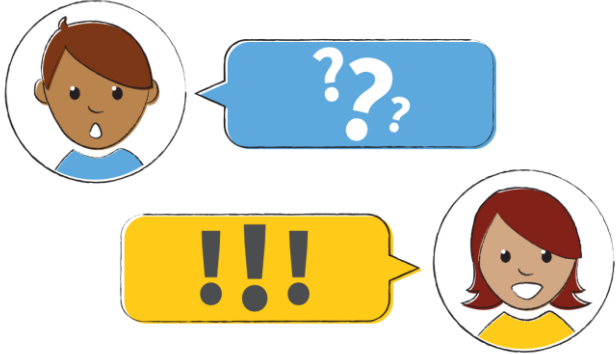
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The Home Office will contact you via e-mail, check your emails regularly!

Once your status has been approved, non-EEA citizens will receive a visa at home (BRC), valid until 31/12/2024

The Home Office is aiming to offer a digital-only service from 01/01/2025.

More information



Online application:

<https://www.gov.uk/settled-status-eu-citizens-families/applying-for-settled-status>

EU Londoners hub:

<https://www.london.gov.uk/what-we-do/business-and-economy/representing-london-brexittalks/eu-londoners-hub>

Accredited Immigration Advisers:

https://home.oisc.gov.uk/register_of_regulated_immigration_advisers/register.aspx

Immigration Law Practitioners' Association:

<https://ilpa.org.uk/members-directory/>