

# Are you or someone in your family from a European country?

If you arrived in the UK before 31 December 2020, you must apply to the EU Settlement Scheme by **30 June 2021** to secure your rights and to continue living in the UK.

It is based on **how long you have lived in the UK** and employment or income do not count.



## You need to apply if you are an adult or a child and:

- are an EU, EEA, or a Swiss National, OR
- are the non-EU family member of an EU national



## You don't need to apply if you:

- are Irish
- have Indefinite Leave to Remain
- are British



## You need to apply even if you:

- are married to a British national
- have children who grew up in the UK
- have Permanent Residence
- have been living in the UK for a long time
- were born in the UK (unless you are British)

## You can apply by using a smartphone\*:

- Download the EU Exit ID Check App
- Use the app to verify your documents
- Complete the application on any device (smartphone, tablet or laptop)
- Submit your application and wait to hear what status you have been given
- Receive your status by email – always check you were given the correct status in accordance with the length of your UK residence and documents provided

## What do you need to apply\*:

- a valid passport, ID card or biometric residence card
- proof that you live in the UK
- declare any criminal convictions

The EU Settlement Scheme is free and it's worth applying now:  
[www.gov.uk/eusettledstatus](http://www.gov.uk/eusettledstatus).



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## What will you get when you apply:

- **Pre-settled status** if you have lived in the UK for less than 5 years. It is temporary and can be upgraded to Settled Status when you become eligible.  
OR
- **Settled Status** if you have lived in the UK for 5 years continuously or more. It is permanent and it counts as a right to reside for benefits.

## What happens after you receive your status:

- Your status is digital (**no physical document is being provided**)
- You can view and prove your status online
- If you have **Pre-settled Status**, check when you need to upgrade to Settled Status
- Your status is linked to your details and you must update your information if you change:
  - the **identity document** you applied with,
  - your **mobile phone number**, or
  - your **email address**

## Your rights when you have Pre-settled or Settled Status

**Benefits & Healthcare:** You will have a right to apply for benefits and access free health care, if you are eligible.

**Employment:** You will continue to have a right to work in the UK.

**Renting a property:** You will have a right to rent a property in the UK.

**Travelling in/out of the UK:** You will be able to travel without needing a visa.

*Until **30 June 2021**, **landlords** and **employers** should not ask you to prove that you have applied to the scheme.*

## Help for Wandsworth residents

\*If you struggle with any of the requirements above or with using a smartphone, you can contact the EU Project team:

website: [www.cawandsworth.org/eu](http://www.cawandsworth.org/eu) email: [euadvice@cawandsworth.org](mailto:euadvice@cawandsworth.org) telephone: 0203 559 2019

Citizens Advice Wandsworth works in partnership with Wandsworth Council to help vulnerable residents apply.