

EU SETTLEMENT SCHEME IMPORTANT INFORMATION



If you are an EU citizen¹, you and your family members are able to apply to the **EU Settlement Scheme** to continue living in the UK.

For more information on the EU Settlement Scheme, including the support available, visit [gov.uk/eu-settled-status](https://www.gov.uk/eu-settled-status)



What is the EU Settlement Scheme?

The **EU Settlement Scheme** allows you and your family members to get the immigration status you will need to continue to **live, work and study** in the UK. This status means you can continue to be eligible for:

- public services, such as healthcare and schools
- public funds and pensions
- British citizenship, if you meet the requirements and want to apply.



Who is eligible?

The EU Settlement Scheme applies to EEA and Swiss citizens:

Austria
Belgium
Bulgaria
Croatia
Republic of Cyprus
Czech Republic
Denmark
Estonia
Finland
France
Germany

Greece
Hungary
Iceland
Ireland²
Italy
Latvia
Liechtenstein
Lithuania
Luxembourg
Malta
Netherlands

Norway
Poland
Portugal
Romania
Slovakia
Slovenia
Spain
Sweden
Switzerland



If you have a UK **permanent residence document** you will still need to apply to the EU Settlement Scheme. You do not need to apply if you have **indefinite leave to remain or enter**, but you can if you want to. Visit **GOV.UK** to find out more about your rights in relation to the EU Settlement Scheme.

- 1 EU citizens used throughout refers to EEA and Swiss nationals, who are all eligible to apply to the EU Settlement Scheme.
- 2 Irish citizens do not need to apply, though they are able to do so if they want to. Non-Irish, non-British family members of Irish citizens will need to apply to the EU Settlement Scheme if they want to stay in the UK after 31 December 2020.



Family members of eligible EU citizens

Non-EU family members living in the UK by **31 December 2020**³ are eligible to apply to the EU Settlement Scheme. Close family members who are not living in the UK by **31 December 2020**⁴ will be able to join their EU family member in the UK **at any point in the future**⁵, as long as the relationship still exists.



Close family members include spouses, civil partners, unmarried partners and dependent children, grandchildren, parents and grandparents. Family members do not need to be from the EU, they can come from anywhere in the world (known as non-EU family member). Visit **GOV.UK** for more information.



How to apply

You need to complete a **short online application form** using a computer, tablet or mobile phone. Your application saves automatically, so if you want to, you can start and then complete it at another time. It is **free to apply** to the EU Settlement Scheme.

Application guidance can be found on **GOV.UK**. Once you have read the guidance, **start your application** at **gov.uk/apply-eu-settled-status**.



Applications have to be made on an individual basis. Once you have made an application for yourself, this can be linked to your family member's application, using your unique applicant number.

3 Or the date the UK leaves the EU, in the event of a no deal.

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5 Or until 29 March 2022, in the event of a no deal.



When can I apply?

The EU Settlement Scheme is open and you have until **30 June 2021**⁶ to apply. Your rights will remain unchanged until then, provided you were resident in the UK by **31 December 2020**⁷.



You will usually be able to **apply for British citizenship** 12 months after you have received settled status.



Where can I get support?

Support is available if you need help to complete your application, including:

EU Settlement Resolution Centre

For individual questions about your application call **0300 123 7379**. Find out about call charges on [gov.uk/call-charges](https://www.gov.uk/call-charges).

You can also ask a question using the online submission form **eu-settled-status-enquiries.service.gov.uk**. For more information visit **GOV.UK**.

Assisted Digital

This free service is available over the phone and in person if you do not have the appropriate access, skills or confidence to complete the online application form. Contact Assisted Digital by calling **03333 445 675**. For more information, visit **gov.uk/eu-assisted-digital**.

ID document scanning service

This service is available to complete the identity verification step if you do not have access to the EU Exit: ID Document Check app. There may be an administrative fee to use this service. For a list of ID document scanning locations, visit **gov.uk/eu-id-scanner-locations**.

Community organisations

A list of grant funded community organisations providing EU Settlement Scheme support will be available on **GOV.UK**.

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