

Applying for EU/EEA Settled/pre-Settled Status

To be eligible to apply you must:

- be a national of the [EU, EEA or Switzerland](#)
- have arrived in the UK before 31st December 2020
- apply whilst you are in the UK
- apply by 30 June 2021

You begin your application [here](#)

Apply to the EU Settlement Scheme

It is taking longer than usual to process applications because of coronavirus (COVID-19).

The scheme is open - you can apply now [if you're eligible](#).

You can also [choose to apply later depending on your circumstances](#).

You'll need to apply again when you're changing your pre-settled status for settled status.

The deadline for applying is 30 June 2021.

You can apply using any device, for example, a laptop, Android device or iPhone.

[Check what you'll need](#) before you apply.

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Apply to the EU Settlement Scheme (settled and pre-settled status)

Prove your identity

You will need an email address and a phone number.

If you are an EU, EEA or Swiss citizen

You will also need your passport or national identity card.

If you are not in the UK, your national identity card must have a biometric chip.

Check which [countries are in the European Economic Area \(EEA\)](#).

If you are not an EU, EEA or Swiss citizen

If you are in the UK, you will need to use one of the following:

- passport
- biometric residence card
- biometric residence permit

If you are not in the UK, you can only use your biometric residence card.

Read the [guidance on staying in the UK after it leaves the EU](#) to check if you qualify.

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Are you in the UK now?

Yes

No

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How you prove your identity

To help us confirm your identity and nationality, we need to check your identity document.

You can:

- use the 'EU Exit: ID Document Check' iPhone app or Android app on your phone or someone else's
- book an appointment to [scan your identity document](#) in person
- enter your document details online and send your identity document by post

If you send your identity document by post, we will return it by Royal Mail Signed For 2nd Class delivery.

After your identity document has been checked

You can do the rest of your application on a computer or another device.

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Document Check' app

The app is free. If you use it, it is unlikely that you will need to send us your identity document by post.

What you will need

You can use the app on:

- an Android phone
- an iPhone 7 or above

If you need to, you can use someone else's phone.

If you are an EU, EEA or Swiss citizen, use either your:

- passport
- national identity card

If you are not an EU, EEA or Swiss citizen, either use your:

- biometric residence card
- biometric residence permit

If you use a national identity card

To use the app, your national identity card must have a biometric chip.

If it has a chip, it will have this symbol on it:



If your card does not have a biometric chip, you can use the app but you must send us your card by post after you apply.

Phones that can use the app

Your phone must have NFC to read the biometric chip in your identity document.

The phone normally has NFC if you can use it to make contactless payments. You can check the phone's settings to see if it has NFC.

If your phone does not have NFC, you can use the app but you must send us your identity document by post after you apply.

How it works

The app proves your identity by checking if you have a genuine document that belongs to you. It:

- scans the details on your document and adds this information to your application
- scans your face to check the document belongs to you
- takes a digital photo of you

After you use the app

You must complete the rest of your application separately online as the app will only check your identity.

After you have finished using the app we will send you an email that tells you how to complete your application.

Security

The app sends us your information securely. No information is stored on the app or on your phone after you close the app.

Get the iPhone app

Download the free EU Exit: ID Document Check app on the App Store.



Get the Android app

Download the free EU Exit: ID Document Check app on Google Play.



I will prove my identity in another way

[I want to book an appointment or send my identity document by post](#)

Verifying identity via the app



EU Exit: ID document check 4+

Home Office

#43 in Utilities

★★★★ 2,7, 613 Ratings

Free

Have your passport or national ID card ready

You will need to:

- Scan the photo section of your ID document
- Scan the biometric chip on your ID document
- Capture an image of your face

Once you have completed this, you can complete the rest of the application on the gov.uk website

What to do after you have applied

- You will receive an email confirming your settled/pre-settled status from the Home Office. You will not be sent any paper documents, so keep this email safe.
- *Go to view-and-prove-your-rights.homeoffice.gov.uk to use the Home Office online checking service. Click on the 'Prove your status to someone' and create a 'share code' so that BU could check your status. Please use migrantreporting@bournemouth.ac.uk for the email address.

**BU is legally required to have evidence that all EU/EEA/Swiss students have applied for settled status*