



## EU/EEA nationals

As part of the taxi and private hire vehicle driver licensing application process, all EU/EEA nationals are now required to demonstrate their right to work in the United Kingdom.

As of 1 January 2021, the UK left the European Union (EU) and, as a result, EU/EEA nationals living in the UK are required to demonstrate they have the relevant right to settle in the UK. The Home Office have an [EU Settlement Scheme \(EUSS\)](#) that has been in place since March 2019, allowing EU/EEA nationals to apply for settled or pre-settled status in the UK. This scheme will continue to run until 30 June 2021.

If you are an EU/EEA national, you will be required to demonstrate your settlement/pre-settlement status in the UK. You can do so by visiting the [GOV.UK](#) website and following the relevant guidance.

As a result of the changes being made, we encourage any EU/EEA nationals to submit their EUSS application to the Home Office before the scheme ends on 30 June 2021 to avoid any changes in your licensing status.

Please note that under the [Common Travel Area](#) arrangement, Irish nationals are exempt from the recent EU/EEA Brexit changes. They remain free to work and live in the UK, and do not need to apply for settled/pre-settled status.

## What does this mean for you?

### ***I have already received my settled status***

If you have already submitted your EUSS application and received your 'settled' status, you do not need to do anything further.

### ***Pre-Settlement - I have not resided in the UK for more than five years***

Under the EUSS, EU/EEA nationals are required to have resided in the UK for 5 or more years to gain settlement in the UK. You will be required to apply again for settlement status once this duration has been met. Please follow the guidance issued by the Home Office.

Your settlement status will be reviewed again at this time and further consideration will be given to your licence status once your settlement status is known. We will contact you should we require further information.

### ***I have not yet submitted my EUSS application***



EU/EEA nationals have until 30 June 2021 to submit their EUSS application. You will be required to submit your EUSS application to the Home Office in order for your settlement or pre-settlement status in the UK to be considered. Please follow the guidance issued by the Home Office to submit your application before 30 June 2021.

Your settlement/pre-settlement status will be reviewed again at this time and further consideration will be given to your licence status once your settlement status is known. We will contact you should we require further information.

**Please note, we do not currently require any additional documents from you at this time. Please follow the relevant guidance issued by the Government to confirm your settled or pre-settled status in the UK**

Further information about the changes relating to settlement for EU/EEA nationals is available on the [GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk) website.