

The EU Settlement Scheme - Apply before 30/06/2021!

Dear Parent or Guardian

We are writing to you to raise awareness of the EU Settlement Scheme. The UK left the EU on the 31st of January 2020. If you are an EU/EEA citizen (or you are in the UK as a family member of an EU/EEA citizen) you need to apply to the EU Settlement Scheme to continue living in the UK. You must apply before 11pm on the 30th of June 2021.

We advise you to apply as soon as possible. Please make sure your family and friends have also applied. All ages need to apply, from newborns to grandparents. If you have been granted **permanent residence** in the UK you **still need to apply**. Permanent residence will be invalid after the 31st of December 2020.

If you have been living in the UK for **5 years or more** you should receive **Settled Status**. If less than 5 years, you will be granted **Pre-Settled Status**. If you have Pre-Settled Status you should **apply again** for Settled Status once you have been living in the UK for 5 years.

If you think you have been given the wrong status please get in touch and we can help you to apply again or challenge the original decision.

To apply you can go to: <https://www.gov.uk/settled-status-eu-citizens-families>

You will also find a lot of useful information on our public site at:

<https://www.citizensadvice.org.uk/immigration/staying-in-the-uk-after-brexite/applying-for-settled-status/>

If your child was born in the UK, they may be British. Your own situation and status at the time is also a factor so this can be very complicated. If in doubt we urge you to apply to the scheme for your children as well. They should get the same status as you. Proving nationality can be very difficult when applying for a British passport. If you would like advice on this please contact us.

For help with applying to the EU settlement scheme or to help with any problems you have encountered please contact:

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We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours faithfully

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