



# No Time Limit Applications

There is at present no time limit on the holder's stay in the United Kingdom.

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On behalf of the Secretary of State Home Office  
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Given indefinite leave to enter the United Kingdom

+ Immigration Officer ink date stamp

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GIVEN LEAVE TO REMAIN IN THE UNITED KINGDOM FOR AN INDEFINITE PERIOD.

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On behalf of the Secretary of State  
Home Office

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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# What is an NTL Application?

- Stands for “No Time Limit”
- An application for a person who was granted Indefinite Leave to Remain (ILR/Settlement in the UK and who needs an updated document to prove it
- For those who have never held a BRP
- May have a stamp in an old passport or a Home Office letter stating that they have been granted ILR
- Not an application to change someone’s immigration status, simply to evidence it

# Who can make an NTL application?

- Previously, NTL applications were *regulated applications*, meaning that they could only be done by a solicitor or accredited immigration adviser
- NTL applications required a significant amount of evidence to prove continuous residence in the UK
- Following introduction of eVisas, UKVI introduced a much more light-touch NTL application
- Immigration Advisory Authority (IAA) have therefore amended their guidance to state that NTL is no longer a regulated matter

# How to make an NTL application

- Go to gov.uk and go to the set up eVisa page [GOV.UK - The best place to find government services and information](#)
- You will be guided through various questions which should then result in you being led to the NTL application
- Online application form – can start completing and then save and come back later
- Will need an email address for the applic
- Once completed, press submit

**BETA** This is a new service.

## Replace a paper immigration document with an eVisa

Use this form if you are in the UK and want to:

- replace your paper immigration document (for example, a Form for Affixing a Visa (FAV), passport stamp, passport sticker or vignette in a current or expired passport) with an eVisa
- update your personal details and cannot do so on your UK Visa and Immigration account

You can continue to prove your rights using your existing physical documents where they are permitted while your application is being considered and after it is decided. This includes for proving your [right to work](#) if your document hasn't expired, [right to rent](#) or for travel to the UK.

You can no longer use this form to update or replace your existing biometric residence permit (BRP) or biometric residence card (BRC).

If your BRP or BRC has been lost, stolen or damaged, read the [eVisa guidance](#) or the

← ↻ 🔒 https://visas-immigration.service.gov.uk/next

**We no longer issue replacement biometric residence permits (BRPs) and the replacement BRP service is now closed.**

If you are applying to replace your BRP, do not continue this application. Instead, you can now prove your status with an [eVisa](#). You must create a UKVI account to access your eVisa. You will be able to use an expired BRP to create your UKVI account.

Select what you are applying for:

☒ To replace your paper immigration document with an eVisa **or** to update your personal details and cannot do so on your UK Visa and Immigration account

☐ To update or replace your **BRC**

[Return to this application later](#)

[Save and continue](#)

# After submission

- Follow link within application to set up a TLS account and book a biometric appointment
- Paid appointments or free appointments
- Prior to appointment submit supporting evidence (listed in document checklist – downloadable from application), or
- Pay for document upload and take documents to the biometric appointment

# What documents?

- Check document checklist
- Proof of address
- Any passport held since granted settlement
- Original document showing grant of leave
- Any other document showing proof of right to stay in UK
- Evidence of any change of details since grant of ILR (e.g. change of name)



# Scanning documents

- Good quality scans or photos
- If submitting passports, must scan every page of the passport



# No evidence of ILR

- Client may have lost evidence of ILR
- Subject access requests – Home Office file, or anywhere else where a copy of document may have been retained
- Sometimes no Home Office file can be found – lost or application made as a dependant
- If no evidence of ILR can be found, seek immigration advice



# When immigration advice may be necessary

- No evidence of ILR
- Significant criminal record (sentence of 12 months or more, or a number of offences) since grant of ILR
- Lengthy absences (2yrs or more) from the UK since grant of ILR
- Any suspicion that ILR may have been revoked (e.g. due to criminal conviction)
- Any changes of details that may be tricky to explain

# What happens next?

- Home Office should set up eVisa and email client to notify when it is done
- Log in and check that the details are correct
- Any issues, follow up immediately either via online form or helpline [eVisas: access and use your online immigration status: Report an error with your eVisa - GOV.UK](#)