

# How to prove settled status granted under the EU Settlement Scheme?

1. Front page of the Home Office letter informing the applicant they have been granted settled status under the EU Settlement Scheme. The letter is **sent to the applicant's email address** as a pdf attachment:



[redacted]

I am pleased to inform you that your application to the EU Settlement Scheme has been successful and that you have been granted Indefinite Leave in the United Kingdom, under Appendix EU to the Immigration Rules. This is also referred to as settled status if you were in the UK on the date of your application, that is Indefinite Leave to Remain. If you were outside the UK on the date of your application, that is Indefinite Leave to Enter.

Your status takes effect from the date of this letter, which can be found above.

Your settled status in the UK can be confirmed online through the GOV.UK service 'view your settled or pre-settled status': [view-and-prove-your-rights.homeoffice.gov.uk](http://view-and-prove-your-rights.homeoffice.gov.uk).

You will be able to use the online service to show your settled status in the UK. This letter is not proof of your status.

Read the section below titled important information to find out more about viewing your status online and about your status and rights including your right to work and to access benefits and services.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss this letter, details on contacting us can be found on our website: <https://eu-settled-status-enquiries.service.gov.uk>.

Yours sincerely,  
UKVI European Casework  
On behalf of the Secretary of State

Important information  
Your status

As you now have settled status there is no time limit on how long you can stay in the UK. Your settled status gives you the right to stay in the UK under UK immigration law. At the same time, you can also continue to rely on any rights you have as an EEA or Swiss citizen or family member of an EEA or Swiss citizen under EU law for as long as it remains in force in the UK: [www.gov.uk/right-to-reside](http://www.gov.uk/right-to-reside).

Don't use this letter to prove your rights!

Congrats! You have settled status!

2. The letter is the only tangible evidence of settled status. While it states that the applicant has been granted settled status, it also advises that the letter itself is not proof of settled status (see the underlined sections marked 1 and 3 in the letter above).

3. The EU Settlement Scheme is digital by default, meaning that **applicants can only prove their status on-line**. No other correspondence is sent out by the Home Office and no stamps in passports are issued.
4. The web site address cited in the letter <http://view-and-prove-your-rights.homeoffice.gov.uk/> (see the underlined section marked 2 in the Home Office letter) doesn't actually work. This may present a problem if the applicant has a printed copy of the letter– agencies won't be able to access the information by typing this address into the browser. However, when clicked on, the link in the letter redirects to <https://www.gov.uk/view-prove-immigration-status>. **This is the right web address to use.**
5. In order to access their account, the applicant will need:
  - details (serial number, etc) of the ID they used to register with the EU Settlement Scheme, for example a passport or an EU national ID card. Note, that if the document has since expired but the applicant hasn't told the Home Office, they may have to submit the number of the expired document.<sup>1</sup>
  - access to either the mobile number or the email address the applicant used when they applied for settled status (a one-time pass code will be sent to it)
  - the applicant's date of birth

Once they log in to their account, this information will be displayed:

## Your status

**Status**

**Applicant's photo**

Rotate ↻

**Applicant's name**

You have settled status, also known as indefinite leave to remain.

**Details**

You can live, work and study in the UK, and access public funds and services.

There is no limit on how long you can stay in the UK.

Read about [your rights with settled or pre-settled status](#).

If your name is spelt wrong or your photo is not correct, contact the [EU Settlement Resolution Centre](#).

Entitlement to public funds mentioned here

**Update your details**

To access your online status, your contact details and identity document must be up-to-date.

If you get a new identity document, or change your name, phone number, or email, you must update these.

[Update your details](#)

**Prove your status**

If you need to prove your status, for example, to help you get hospital treatment, council housing, or for work in the UK, you can do this online.

[Prove your status to someone](#)

Until 31 December 2020, you can still show your identity documents to prove your rights in the UK.

[Finish and leave service](#)

<sup>1</sup> If this is the case, it may be advisable to update the Home Office asap (it can be done on-line [here](#)), because settled status is linked to the applicant's proof of ID.

- The applicant can acquire a code to pass on to a third party (for example, a local authority or a benefits office). The code enables the third party to confirm the applicant's settled status. This can be done by clicking on the 'prove your status to someone' option (circled in red above).
- The applicant will be then prompted to choose one of the following options:

## Why are you proving your status?

I want to:

- work in the UK
  - get hospital treatment
  - claim benefits or tax credits
  - get homelessness assistance or council housing
  - open a bank or building society account
  - get a loan or credit card
- or
- another reason

**Continue**

- Once the applicant selects an option and chooses 'continue', they will get a preview of what information the third party will see:

### Preview your information

This is what they will see:

**Status**

**Applicant's photo**

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**Applicant's name**

They have settled status, also known as indefinite leave to remain.  
There is no limit on how long they can stay in the UK.

No mention of entitlement to public funds!

Create a share code so they can see your status online.

**Continue**

**Note:** The page for third parties doesn't mention entitlement to public funds. However, most agencies should be aware that applicants with EU settled status can access public funds without restrictions.

By clicking 'continue' (circled in red above), the applicant will obtain a code (a combination of letters and numbers). This access code is valid for 30 days and there is no limit on the number of codes that can be issued. The page tells the applicant what information to provide to the third party they wish to share the confirmation of their settled status with:

## Details you need to share

### Share code

Code displayed here

This code lasts for 30 days - it is valid until 18 January 2020.

### What to do next

- 1** Give this share code and your date of birth to the person you want to prove your status to.
- 2** To see your status, they must enter the share code and your date of birth at [www.gov.uk/check-settled-status](http://www.gov.uk/check-settled-status).
- 3** Contact them to make sure they have all the information they need.

To prove your status to someone else, you can re-use this code or create a new code - there is no limit to how many codes can be used at the same time.

 [Print this page](#)

Send code by email

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**Note:** Until EU law no longer applies, applicants can access public funds (including homelessness assistance) by:

- proving they have settled status under the EU Settlement Scheme, or
- demonstrating they have a qualifying right to reside under EU law.

This information is spelt out in the Home Office award letter (see page one) in the underlined section marked 4.