

ID documentation required for DBS checks (England & Wales) & PVG checks (Scotland)

Original documents must be produced for the identity check. At least one document must verify the applicant's current address (documents marked with ✓ contains addresses) and one document should display the applicant's date of birth.

The number of documents required will depend on which 'route' is being followed. Applicants require **one document from Document Group 1 and two documents from Document Group 1 or 2a or 2b**. If the required number of documents cannot be met, applicants will be required to produce **four documents from Document Group 2a and 2b**, one of which should be a birth certificate (issued within 12 month of birth) and one document must show the applicant's address. An external ID validation service will be used to check the application.

Document Category 1 - Primary trusted identity credentials
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A current valid passport (any nationality)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A current photocard driving licence (full or provisional) ✓ UK/Isle of Man/Channel Islands/Other EU Country
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Original (UK, Channel Islands and UK authorities overseas ie embassy or HM Forces) birth certificate (issued within 12 months of the date of birth)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Biometric residence permit (UK)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adoption certificate (UK and Channel Islands)
Document Category 2a - Trusted government- or state-issued documents
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reissued (UK and Channel Islands) birth certificate (issued after 12 months of the date of birth)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A current photocard driving licence ✓ (issued with a counterpart paper licence but it has not been presented)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Marriage/civil partnership certificate (UK and Channel Islands)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A current driving licence (old-style paper version) ✓ (accepted for DBS checks only)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Firearms licence (UK and Channel Islands) ✓
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HM Forces ID card (UK)
Document Category 2b - Financial/social history documents
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • British work permit/visa (UK) (UK residence permit)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cards carrying the PASS accreditation logo (UK and Channel Islands)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Letter of sponsorship from future employment provider (Non-UK/Non-EEA only - valid only for applicants residing outside of the UK at time of application) ✓
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Letter from Head Teacher or College Principal - (16- or 17-year-olds in full-time education) ✓
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EU national identity card
<i>The following documents, which must have been issued within the past 12 months</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • P45 certificate statement (UK and Channel Islands) ✓
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council tax statement (UK and Channel Islands) ✓
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • P60 certificate statement (UK and Channel Islands) ✓
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mortgage statement (UK or EEA) - (Non-EEA statements will not be accepted) ✓
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Financial statement - eg pension, endowment, ISA (UK)
<i>The following documents, which must be less than three months old</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bank/building society statement (UK and Channel Islands or EEA) (Non-EEA statements will not be accepted) ✓
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bank/building society account opening confirmation letter (UK) ✓
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Credit card statement (UK or EEA) (Non-EEA statements will not be accepted) ✓
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Benefit statement - eg child allowance, pension ✓
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One or two documents from central/local government/ government agency/local authority giving entitlement (UK and Channel Islands) - eg from the Department for Work and Pensions, the Employment Service, Customs and Revenue, Job Centre, Job Centre Plus, Social Security ✓
<i>Utility bills such as</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Electricity bill/statement ✓
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Water bill/statement ✓
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gas bill/statement ✓
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Telephone bill/statement (not mobile telephone) ✓

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ID documentation required for Access NI checks (Ulster)

Original documents must be produced for the identity check. At least one document must verify the applicant's current address (documents marked with ✓ contains addresses) and one document should display the applicant's date of birth.

The number of documents required will depend on which 'route' is being followed. Applicants require **one document from Document Group 1 and two documents from Document Group 1 or 2a or 2b**. If the required number of documents cannot be met, applicants will be required to produce **four documents from Document Group 2a and 2b**, one of which should be a birth certificate (issued within 12 month of birth) and one document must show the applicant's address. An external ID validation service will be used to check the application.

Document Group 1 - Primary Identity documents
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Any current valid passport
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Biometric Residence Permit (UK)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A current photocard driving licence (full or provisional) UK/Isle of Man/Republic of Ireland/Channel Islands/Any EEA Country ✓
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Original birth certificate (issued within 12 months of the date of birth) (UK/Isle of Man and Channel Islands including Issued by UK authorities overseas)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Original long form Irish birth certificate (issued within 12 months of the date of birth) (Republic of Ireland)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adoption certificate (UK/Isle of Man or Channel Islands)
Document Category 2a - Trusted government- or state-issued documents
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reissued birth certificate (issued after 12 months of the date of birth) (UK/Isle of Man and Channel Islands or Ireland)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Marriage/Civil Partnership certificate (UK/Isle of Man and Channel Islands or Ireland)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> HM Forces ID card (UK)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Firearms licence (UK/Isle of Man and Channel Islands)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Electoral ID card (Northern Ireland only)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A current photocard driving licence (full or provisional) (All countries outside the EEA) ✓
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A current driving licence (full or provisional) (paper if issued before 1998) UK/Isle of Man/Republic of Ireland/Channel Islands/Any EEA Country ✓
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Immigration document, visa or work permit (Issued by a country outside the EEA - valid only if the applicant is working in the country that issued the document)
Document 2b: - Living and Social history documents (issued within the last 3 or 12 months as indicated below)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mortgage statement ✓ (UK or EEA) (Within last 12 months) ✓
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Financial statement eg ISA, pension or endowment (UK) (Within last 12 months) ✓
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> P45 or P60 statement (UK or Channel Islands) (Within last 12 months)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Land and Property Services rates demand (Northern Ireland only) (Within 12 months) ✓
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Council tax statement (Great Britain and Channel Islands) (Within last 12 months) ✓
<i>The following documents, which must be less than three months old</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Credit card statement (UK or EEA) (Within last 3 months) ✓
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bank/building society statement (UK or EEA) (Within last 3 months) ✓
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bank/building society statement (Countries outside the EEA) (Within last 3 months - branch must be in the country where the applicant lives and works) ✓
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bank/building society account opening confirmation letter (UK or EEA) (Within last 3 months) ✓
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Utility bill (not mobile phone) (UK or EEA) (Within last 3 months) ✓
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Benefit statement eg Child Benefit, Pension etc (UK and Channel Islands) (Within last 3 months) ✓
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Central or local government/ government agency/local authority giving entitlement eg from the Department for Work and Pensions, the Employment Service, HMRC (UK and Channel Islands) ✓
<i>Must be valid</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> EU National ID card
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 60+ or Senior (65+) SmartPass issued by Translink (Northern Ireland)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> yLink card issued by Translink (Northern Ireland)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cards carrying the PASS accreditation logo (UK, Isle of Man and Channel Islands)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter from head teacher or further education college principal - for 16 to 19 in full time education - Only used in exceptional circumstances if no other documents can be provided (UK)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter of sponsorship from future employment provider or voluntary organisation - for applicants residing outside UK at time of application (Non UK or non-EEA)

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