

Information on Citizens' Rights

For information on your rights under the Withdrawal Agreement:

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	<p>TRANSITION PERIOD</p> <p>Under the Withdrawal Agreement a <u>transition period</u> will begin after 31 January and last until 31 December 2020. As a UK national during this period you will be able to arrive and settle in Malta as you do now and rules governing access to healthcare, social security coordination and driving licences will also remain unchanged.</p>
	<p>RESIDENCY</p> <p>During the transition period the Maltese government will require all UK nationals to obtain a new residency document as evidence of your status under the Withdrawal Agreement. This includes those who are already currently registered and new arrivals during the transition period. Identity Malta will be writing to registered UK nationals in Malta in the coming weeks with more information. Un-registered UK nationals should contact their local Identity Malta office for more details.</p>
	<p>HEALTH/ PENSIONS</p> <p>Residents</p> <p>If you register your residency in Malta before the end of 2020 and you qualify for Maltese state-funded healthcare, you'll have life-long healthcare rights in Malta as you do now, provided you remain legally resident in Malta. If you hold an EHIC issued by Malta, you will continue to be able to use this in the UK and when traveling in the EU for as long as you remain legally resident in Malta.</p> <p>S1 holders</p> <p>If you are a S1 holder, receiving an exportable UK State Pension or another exportable benefit, residing in Malta before 31 December 2020, your healthcare arrangements will not change, for as long as you are residing in Malta. You will continue to be entitled to a UK EHIC which will be valid when travelling across the EU. As an S1 form holder, if you visit the UK you will still be able to access free NHS care when temporarily visiting England, Scotland and Wales, as you can now, by providing a copy of your S1 form.</p> <p>EHIC Holders</p> <p>If you are visiting Malta temporarily, you can continue to use your UK-issued EHIC, as you did before, until the 31st December 2020. You should still obtain travel insurance as the EHIC is not a replacement for this. If you started studying in Malta before 31 December 2020, your student EHIC will be valid for the rest of the time you study here. If you start your course after this date, you may need to arrange alternative healthcare cover. (details on gov.uk/guidance/healthcare-in-malta)</p> <p>UK State Pension</p> <p>The UK state pension will continue to be paid to all those eligible after the end of the transition period. If you are legally resident in Malta by 31 December and covered by the Withdrawal Agreement your UK state pension will continue to be uprated (including if you claim it in the future).</p>
	<p>DRIVING</p> <p>During the transition period there will be no changes to driving licence validity. However, if you are living in Malta, you should still ensure you exchange your UK driving licence for a Maltese one. You can exchange your UK licence by completing Transport Malta's DRV30 form.</p>
	<p>PASSPORTS</p> <p>There will be no changes to passport validity or travel between the UK and the EU until at least 31 December 2020. You can continue to renew your British passport from Malta by applying online (details on gov.uk/livinginmalta).</p>
	<p>SECOND PROPERTY</p> <p>During the transition period there will be no changes to movement rights for UK nationals who are not resident in Malta but own property here. You will need to decide by 31 December 2020 whether to consider Malta as your official place of residence. If you continue to hold your residency in the UK, there may be changes to mobility and healthcare rights for non-residents in Malta after this date.</p>