

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN IMMIGRATION RULES

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The Home Secretary has made changes in the Rules laid down by him as to the practice to be followed in the administration of the Immigration Act 1971 for regulating entry into and the stay of persons in the United Kingdom and contained in the Statement laid before Parliament on 23 May 1994 (HC 395), as amended. The amending Statements were laid before, or presented to, Parliament on 20 September 1994 (Cmnd 2663), 26 October 1995 (HC 797), 4 January 1996 (Cmnd 3073), 7 March 1996 (HC 274), 2 April 1996 (HC 329), 30 August 1996 (Cmnd 3365) and 31 October 1996 (HC 31).

These changes take effect on 1 April 1997.

1. For paragraphs 70, 71, 73 and 74 (Postgraduate Doctors and Dentists) there shall be substituted:

“Requirements for leave to enter as a postgraduate doctor or dentist

70. The requirements for leave to enter the United Kingdom for the purpose of training as a postgraduate doctor or dentist are that the applicant:

- (i) (a) is a graduate from a medical school, who is eligible for provisional or limited registration with the General Medical Council, and who
 - (1) intends to undertake Pre-Registration House Officer employment for up to 12 months, and
 - (2) has not spent more than 12 months in aggregate in Pre-Registration House Officer employment; or
- (b) is a doctor or dentist eligible for full or limited registration with the General Medical Council or the General Dental Council, who intends to undertake post-graduate training in a hospital or the Community Health Services or both;
- (ii) intends to leave the United Kingdom on completion of his training period; and
- (iii) is able to maintain and accommodate himself and any dependants without recourse to public funds.

Leave to enter as a postgraduate doctor or dentist

71. A person seeking leave to enter the United Kingdom to undertake—
 - (a) Pre-Registration House Officer employment may be admitted for a period not exceeding 12 months; and
 - (b) postgraduate training as a doctor or dentist in a hospital or the Community Health services, or both, may be admitted for a period not exceeding three years,

if the Immigration Officer is satisfied that each of the requirements of paragraph 70 is met.

Requirements for extension of stay as a postgraduate doctor or dentist

73. The requirements for an extension of stay as a postgraduate doctor or dentist are that the applicant:
- (i) (a) is a graduate from a medical school who is eligible for provisional or limited registration with the General Medical Council, and who
 - (1) intends to undertake Pre-Registration House Officer employment for up to 12 months, and
 - (2) would not, as a result of an extension of stay, spend more than 12 months in aggregate in Pre-Registration House Officer employment; or
 - (b) is a doctor or dentist, who can provide evidence of limited or full registration with the General Medical Council or registration with the General Dental Council and who—
 - (1) intends to undertake or continue postgraduate training in a hospital or the Community Health Services or both, and
 - (2) can show evidence of satisfactory progress in his postgraduate training including the passing of any relevant examinations.
 - (ii) intends to leave the United Kingdom on completion of his training period; and
 - (iii) is able to maintain and accommodate himself or any dependants without recourse to public funds.

Extension of stay as a postgraduate doctor or dentist

74. An extension of stay may be granted—
- (a) as a Pre-Registration House Officer for a period not exceeding 12 months, and
 - (b) as a doctor or dentist undertaking postgraduate training in a hospital or the Community Health Service or both for a period not exceeding three years,

if the Secretary of State is satisfied that—

- (i) each of the requirements of paragraph 73 is met, and
 - (ii) no more than four years in aggregate will be spent in Senior House Officer (basic specialist training) or equivalent posts.”
2. For paragraph 105 (Leave to enter as a seasonal worker at an agricultural camp) there shall be substituted:

“105. A person seeking leave to enter the United Kingdom as a seasonal worker at an agricultural camp may be admitted with a condition restricting his freedom to take employment, until 30 November of the year in question, if the Immigration Officer is satisfied that each of the requirements of paragraph 104 is met.”

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