

# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN IMMIGRATION RULES

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## <sup>1</sup>STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN IMMIGRATION RULES

The Home Secretary has made the changes hereinafter stated in the rules laid down by them as to the practice to be followed in the administration of the Immigration Acts 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 (Cm 2663), 26 October 1995 (HC 797), 4 January 1996 (Cm 3073), 7 March 1996 (HC 274), 2 April 1996 (HC329), 29 August 1996 (Cm 3365), 31 October 1996 (HC 31), 27 February 1997 (HC 338), 29 May 1997 (Cm 3669), 5 June 1997 (HC 26), 30 July 1997 (HC 161), 11 May 1998 (Cm 3953), 7 October 1998 (Cm 4065), 18 November 1999 (HC 22), 28 July 2000 (HC 704), 20 September 2000 (Cm 4851), 28 August 2001 (Cm 5253), 16 April 2002 (HC 735), 27 August 2002 (Cm 5597), 7 November 2002 (HC 1301), 26 November 2002 (HC 104), 8 January 2003 (HC 180), 10 February 2003 (HC 389), 31 March 2003 (HC 538), 30 May 2003 (Cm 5829), 24 August 2003 (Cm 5949), 12 November 2003 (HC 1224), 17 December 2003 (HC 95), 12 January 2004 (HC 176), 26 February 2004 (HC 370), 31 March 2004 (HC 464), 29 April 2004 (HC523), 3 August 2004 (Cm 6297), 24 September 2004 (Cm 6339), 18 October 2004 (HC 1112), 20 December 2004 (HC 164), 11 January 2005 (HC 194), 7 February 2005 (HC 302), 22 February 2005 (HC 346), 24 March 2005 (HC 486), 15 June 2005 (HC 104), 12 July 2005 (HC 299), 24 October 2005 (HC 582), 9 November 2005 (HC 645), 21 November 2005 (HC 697), 19 December 2005 (HC 769), 23 January 2006 (HC 819), 1 March 2006 (HC 949), 30 March 2006 (HC 1016), 20 April 2006 (HC 1053), 19 July 2006 (HC 1337), 18 September 2006 (Cm 6918), 7 November 2006 (HC 1702), 11 December 2006 (HC 130), 19 March 2007 (HC 398), 3 April 2007 (Cm 7074), 4 April 2007 (Cm 7075), 7 November 2007 (HC 28), 13 November 2007 (HC 40), 19 November 2007 (HC 82), 6 February 2008 (HC 321), 17 March 2008 (HC 420), 9 June 2008 (HC 607), 10 July 2008 (HC 951), 15 July 2008 (HC 971), 4 November 2008 (HC 1113), 9 February 2009 (HC 227), 9 March 2009 (HC 314), 24 April 2009 (HC 413), 9 September 2009 (Cm 7701), 23 September 2009 (Cm 7711), 10 December 2009 (HC 120), 10 February 2010 (HC 367), 18 March 2010 (HC 439), 28 June 2010 (HC 59), 15 July 2010 (HC 96), 22 July 2010 (HC 382), 19 August 2010 (Cm 7929), 1 October 2010 (Cm 7944), 21 December 2010 (HC 698), 16 March 2011 (HC 863), 31 March 2011 (HC 908), 13 June 2011 (HC 1148), 19 July 2011 (HC 1436), 10 October 2011 (HC 1511), 7 November 2011 (HC 1622), 8 December 2011 (HC 1693), 20 December 2011 (HC 1719), 19 January 2012 (HC 1733), 15 March 2012 (HC 1888), 4 April 2012 (Cm 8337), 13 June 2012 (HC 194), 9 July 2012 (HC 514), 19 July 2012 (Cm 8423), 5 September 2012 (HC 565), 22 November 2012 (HC 760), 12 December 2012 (HC 820), 20 December 2012 (HC 847), 30 January 2013 (HC 943), 7 February 2013 (HC 967), 11 March 2013 (HC 1038), 14 March 2013 (HC 1039), 9 April 2013 (Cm 8599), 10 June 2013 (HC 244), 31 July 2013 (Cm 8690), 6 September 2013 (HC 628), 9 October 2013 (HC 686), 8 November 2013 (HC 803), 9 December 2013 (HC 887), 10 December 2013 (HC 901), 18 December 2013 (HC 938), 10 March 2014 (HC 1130), 13 March 2014 (HC 1138), 1 April 2014 (HC 1201), 10 June 2014 (HC 198), 10 July 2014 (HC 532), 16 October 2014 (HC 693), 26 February 2015 (HC 1025), 16 March 2015 (HC1116), 13 July 2015 (HC 297), 17 September 2015 (HC 437), 29 October 2015 (HC535), 11

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March 2016 (HC 877), 3 November 2016 (HC 667), 16 March 2017 (HC 1078), 20 July 2017 (HC 290), 7 December 2017 (HC 309), 15 March 2018 (HC 895), 15 June 2018 (HC 1154), 20 July 2018 (Cm 9675), 11 October 2018 (HC 1534), 11 December 2018 (HC 1779), 20 December 2018 (HC 1849) and 7 March 2019 (HC 1919).

## **Implementation**

The changes to Part 9, to Appendix EU (as substituted by paragraph EU2 of the Statement of Changes in Immigration Rules presented to Parliament on 7 March 2019 in HC 1919) and to Appendix EU (Family Permit) set out in this statement shall take effect on 2 April 2019.

The changes to Part 9 set out in this statement shall have effect, in respect of leave to enter or remain granted by virtue of Appendix EU and of leave to enter granted by virtue of having arrived in the UK with an entry clearance that was granted under Appendix EU (Family Permit), whatever the date of grant of that leave.

The changes to Appendix AR and Appendix AR (EU) set out in this statement shall take effect on 22 April 2019.

## **Review**

Before the end of each review period, the Secretary of State undertakes to review all of the relevant Immigration Rules including any Relevant Rule amended or added by these changes. The Secretary of State will set out the conclusions of the review in a report and publish the report.

The report must in particular:

- (a) consider each of the Relevant Rules and whether or not each Relevant Rule achieves its objectives and is still appropriate; and
- (b) assess whether those objectives remain appropriate and, if so, the extent to which they could be achieved with a system that imposes less regulation.

“Review period” means:

- (a) the period of five years beginning on 6 April 2017; and
- (b) subject to the paragraph below, each successive period of five years.

If a report under this provision is published before the last day of the review period to which it relates, the following review period is to begin with the day on which that report is published.

“Relevant Rule” means an Immigration Rule which:

- (a) imposes requirements, restrictions or conditions, or sets standards, in relation to any activity carried on by a business or voluntary or community body; or

- (b) relates to the securing of compliance with, or the enforcement of, requirements, restrictions, conditions or standards which relate to any activity carried on by a business or voluntary or community body.

## **Changes to Part 9**

### 9.1 For paragraph D320., substitute:

“D320(1). Subject to sub-paragraph (2), Part 9 does not apply to applications made under Appendix EU or under Appendix EU (Family Permit).

(2) If the United Kingdom withdraws from the European Union without a Withdrawal Agreement, then, in respect of the person’s conduct committed after the date and time of withdrawal, the following paragraphs apply to such applications, regardless of the application of paragraph 5 of these Rules: paragraphs 320(1), (2), (3) to (7), (8), (8A), (10), (17), (18A), (18B) and (19); and paragraph 322(1E).”.

### 9.2 In paragraph E320., for sub-paragraph (2), substitute:

“(2) If the United Kingdom withdraws from the European Union without a Withdrawal Agreement, then, in respect of the person’s conduct committed after the date and time of withdrawal, the following paragraphs apply to such leave, regardless of the application of paragraph 5 of these Rules: paragraphs 320(1), (2), (3) to (7), (8), (8A), (10), (17), (18A), (18B) and (19); paragraph 321A (except sub-paragraph (2)); and paragraph 321B.”.

### 9.3 In paragraph E320., for sub-paragraph (4), substitute:

“(4) If the United Kingdom withdraws from the European Union without a Withdrawal Agreement, then:

(a) in respect of the person’s conduct committed by the date and time of withdrawal, the following paragraphs apply to such leave, regardless of the application of paragraph 5 of these Rules: paragraphs 321B and 323(ii); and

(b) in respect of the person’s conduct committed after the date and time of withdrawal, the following paragraphs apply to such leave, regardless of the application of paragraph 5 of these Rules: paragraphs 320(1), (2), (3) to (7), (8), (8A), (10), (17), (18A), (18B) and (19); paragraph 321A (except sub-paragraph (2)); paragraph 321B; and paragraph 323(ii).”.

## **Change to Appendix AR**

AR1. In paragraph AR5.2, in sub-paragraph (a), insert “, under Appendix EU (Family Permit)” before “or as a visitor”.

### **Change to Appendix AR (EU)**

AR(EU)1. In Appendix AR (EU), in paragraph AR(EU)1.1., in the four instances it occurs, for “leave to remain”, substitute “leave to enter or remain”.

### **Changes to Appendix EU**

EU1. In Annex 1, in sub-paragraph (b) of the entry for ‘specified date’ in the table, for “on 29 March 2019 without a Withdrawal Agreement”, substitute “without a Withdrawal Agreement”.

EU2. In Annex 1, in sub-paragraph (b)(i) of the entry for ‘specified date’ in the table, for “2300 GMT on 29 March 2019”, substitute “the date and time of withdrawal”.

### **Changes to Appendix EU (Family Permit)**

EUFP1. In Annex 1, in sub-paragraph (b) of the entry for ‘specified date’ in the table, for “on 29 March 2019 without a Withdrawal Agreement”, substitute “without a Withdrawal Agreement”.

EUFP2. In Annex 1, in sub-paragraph (b)(i) of the entry for ‘specified date’ in the table, for “2300 GMT on 29 March 2019”, substitute “the date and time of withdrawal”.

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