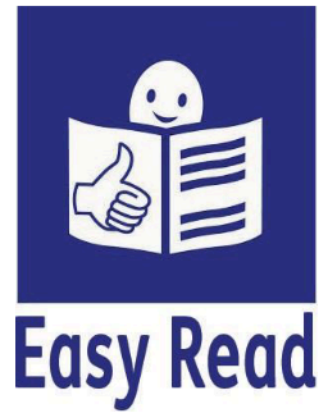
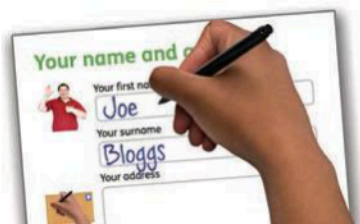


# Register to vote



You need to **register to vote** to take part in elections and referendums.



**Register to vote** means:

- Completing this form
- If your application is successful, your name goes on the list of people who are able to vote in elections



You can apply to **register to vote** either:

- Online at:  
[www.gov.uk/register-to-vote](http://www.gov.uk/register-to-vote)



- Or by completing this form and sending it to your **Electoral Registration Office**



You can find the address of your Electoral Registration Office at [www.electoralcommission.org.uk/voter](http://www.electoralcommission.org.uk/voter)

# Who can register to vote?

You can register to vote if you are:



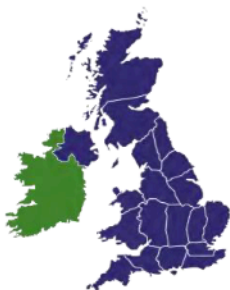
- Living in England



- Aged 16 or over



You will not be able to vote until you are 18.



You must also be 1 of the following:

- A British or Irish citizen



- A **Commonwealth** citizen who has permission to live in the UK, Channel Islands or Isle of Man



The **Commonwealth** is a group of countries that mostly used to be part of the British Empire.



- An EU citizen from Denmark, Luxembourg, Poland, Portugal, or Spain who has permission to live in the UK, Channel Islands or Isle of Man



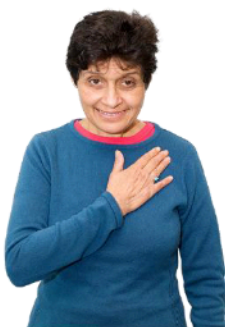
- An EU citizen from another country with permission to live in the UK, Channel Islands or Isle of Man.



If you are an EU citizen from another country, the permission to live in the UK, Channel Islands or Isle of Man must have started on 31 December 2020 or before and not stopped.



Some EU or Commonwealth citizens do not need permission to live in the UK, Channel Islands or Isle of Man.



Please contact your Electoral Registration Office if you think this applies to you.

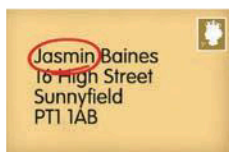




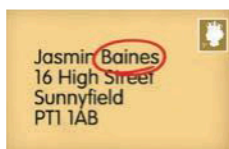
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# Your name and address

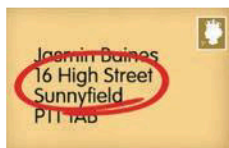
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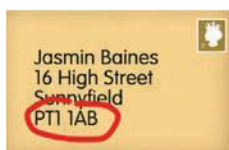
Your last name



Your address



Postcode



Do you also live at another address?



☐ No ☐ Yes

You don't have to give us your telephone number or email, but it helps if you do

Telephone number



Email



# Moved house?



Have you moved house in the last 12 months?

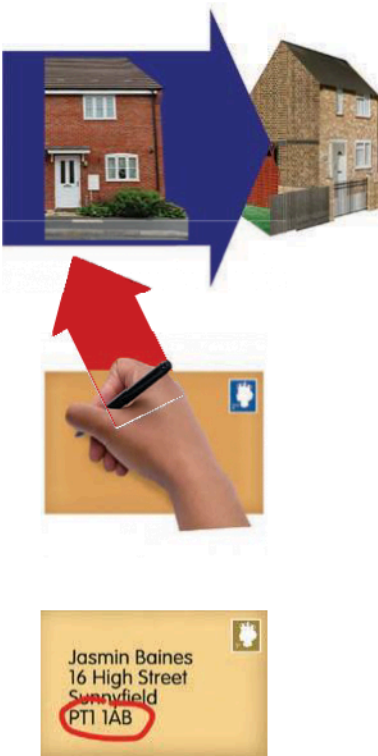
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No

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Yes

If 'Yes' please tell us your previous address



Postcode

If your previous address was overseas, were you registered in the UK as an overseas voter?

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No

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Yes

# Your nationality



Please write down your **nationality**. If you have more than one nationality, please write all your nationalities.



**Nationality** means the country you belong to.



We may:

- Ask you for more information about your nationality



- Check that your nationality is correct

# Your immigration status

You only need to fill in this section if you are a citizen of 1 of these countries:



Austria  
Bulgaria  
Czech Republic  
Finland  
Germany  
Hungary  
Latvia  
Netherlands  
Slovakia  
Sweden

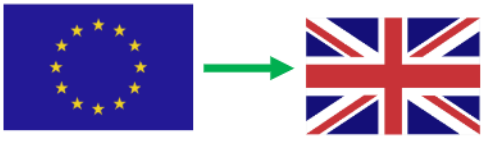
Belgium  
Croatia  
Estonia  
France  
Greece  
Italy  
Lithuania  
Romania  
Slovenia



If you are **not** a citizen of 1 of these countries, you do not need to fill in this section. Please go to the **Your date of birth** section.



Please tick the Yes box if 1 or more applied to you on or before 31 December 2020 and has continued without a break:



- You have settled or pre-settled status under the EU settlement scheme (except if you applied as a joining family member)



- You have permission to enter or stay in the UK, Channel Islands or Isle of Man



- You live in the UK, Channel Islands or Isle of Man but the immigration rules do not apply to you



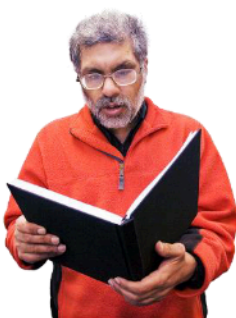
If none of these apply to you, please tick the No box.

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No

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Yes



If you have filled in this section, we might check what information the government has about your nationality or immigration status.



# Your date of birth



What is your date of birth?

Day (number)

Month

Year



If you don't know your date of birth,  
please tick if you are:

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Under 18

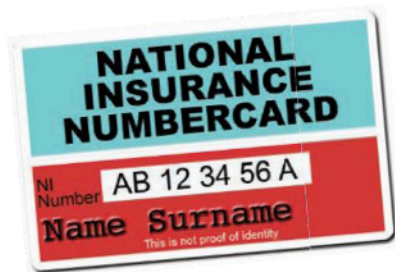
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Aged 18 - 75

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Aged 76 or over

# Your National Insurance number



What is your National Insurance number?

You may find this on a payslip or any official letters about tax, pensions or benefits.

## Don't know?



If you don't know your nationality, date of birth or National Insurance number, please tell us why.

We may ask you for other information if you don't know these.

# Changed your name?



(You don't have to answer these questions if you don't want, but it helps if you do.)

If you have changed your name, please tell us your previous name.



What date did you change your name?

# The Open Register



Registration officers keep 2 registers:

- The Electoral Register
- The Open Register

## The Electoral Register

This has all the names and addresses of everyone who is registered to vote in elections.

It is used to make sure people are allowed to vote.



It can also be used to:

- Help the police detect a crime
- Call people to be on a **jury**



A **jury** is a group of people who decide if someone is guilty in some court cases.



- Check the names and addresses of people who want to borrow money



## The Open Register

The Open Register is not used for elections. It can be bought by any person, company or organisation.



Your name will be on The Open Register unless you ask for it to be removed.

Your right to vote is not affected if you ask for your name to be removed.



Please tick if you **do not** want your name and address to be on The Open Register.



## Worried about your safety?

If you are worried having your name and address on the register will affect your safety, or the safety of someone you live with, contact your Electoral Registration Office.



You can find the address of your  
Electoral Registration Office at  
**[www.electoralcommission.org.uk/voter](http://www.electoralcommission.org.uk/voter)**



# Postal vote, or by proxy



Most people vote at a polling station on polling day.



Do **not** fill in the boxes in this section if you want to vote at the polling station.



If you do not want to vote at the polling station, you can choose to vote by post or by **proxy**.



**Proxy** means allowing someone you trust to vote on your behalf.



You will need to fill in a form to vote by post or by **proxy**.



You can find more information about voting by post or proxy at [www.gov.uk/how-to-vote](http://www.gov.uk/how-to-vote)



If you would like us to send you more information in the post, please let us know what information you would like by ticking the box:

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Information about voting by post

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Information about voting by **proxy**

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Information about voting by post and voting by **proxy**

# Your signature

Please sign below to say that:



- You live at the address that you have written
- All the information you have given is true
- You understand that the information you have given will be used on The Electoral Register
- You understand that if you do not apply to be on the register of electors when you have been asked, it could lead to a fine of £80
- You understand that if you have given any wrong information you could get an unlimited fine and/or go to prison for up to 6 months.



Signature



Today's date



# Voter ID



When you vote at a polling station you need to take photo ID with you.



You can find out more about photo ID at [www.gov.uk/how-to-vote/photo-id-youll-need](http://www.gov.uk/how-to-vote/photo-id-youll-need)



If you do not have photo ID you will need to apply for a Voter Authority Certificate to use as photo ID when you vote.



You can contact your Electoral Registration Office and ask them to send you an easy read Voter Authority Certificate application form.



You can find the address of your Electoral Registration Office at [www.electoralcommission.org.uk/voter](http://www.electoralcommission.org.uk/voter)

# Problems with this form?



If you are having problems with this form, or if you need more information, please contact your Electoral Registration Office.



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# Privacy statement



If you choose to be on The Open Register your information can be bought by anyone.



They might use it to contact you to tell you about something or try and sell you something.



If you choose **not** to have your name and address on The Open Register, we will only use your information when we are running elections and referendums.



We will look after your information and keep it safe. We will follow the data protection laws.



We will not give any information about you to anyone unless the law says we must.





We use your information in a way that is set out in a law called Representation of the People Act 1983 and other laws.



The law says that the **Data Controller** must have a privacy notice that explains how this information will be used.



The Electoral Registration Officer is the **Data Controller**.



For further information about how your personal data may be used, you should go to their privacy notice on their website.



You can find their website address and contact details at [www.electoralcommission.org.uk/voter](http://www.electoralcommission.org.uk/voter)