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

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 (HC 329), 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 (HC 523), 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

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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 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), 7 March 2019 (HC 1919), 1 April 2019 (HC 2099), 9 September 2019 (HC 2631), 24 October 2019 (HC 170), 30 January 2020 (HC 56), 12 March 2020 (HC 120), 14 May 2020 (CP 232), 10 September 2020 (HC 707), 22 October 2020 (HC 813), 10 December 2020 (HC 1043), 31 December 2020 (CP 361), 4 March 2021 (HC 1248), 10 September 2021 (HC 617), 11 October 2021 (CP 542), 1 November 2021 (HC 803), 14 December 2021 (HC 913), 24 January 2022 (HC 1019), 17 February 2022 (CP 632), 15 March 2022 (HC 1118), 29 March 2022 (HC 1220), 11 May 2022 (HC 17), 20 July 2022 (HC 511), 18 October 2022 (HC 719), 9 March 2023 (HC 1160), 17 July 2023 (HC 1496), 19 July 2023 (HC 1715), 7 September 2023 (HC 1780), 7 December 2023 (HC 246), 15 February 2024 (HC 556), 14 March 2024 (HC 590), 10 September 2024 (HC 217), 26 November 2024 (HC 344), 12 March 2025 (HC 733), 24 June 2025 (HC 836), 1 July 2025 (HC 997), 5 August 2025 (CP 1373) and 4 September 2025 (HC 1298).

#### **Implementation**

The following paragraphs shall take effect at 1500 BST on 14 October 2025.

- APP VN1
- APP VN3 and APP VN4
- APP ETANL1

The following paragraphs shall take effect on 4 November 2025. In relation to those changes, if an application for entry clearance, for an Electronic Travel Authorisation, for permission to enter or for permission to stay, or an application for administrative review has been made before 4 November 2025, such applications will be decided in accordance with the Immigration Rules in force on 3 November 2025:

- INTRO1
- APP HPI1 and APP HPI2

The following paragraphs shall take effect on 4 November 2025:

APP HPI7

The following paragraphs shall take effect on 11 November 2025:

- INTRO4 and INTRO5
- 1.1 to 1.5
- 5.1 to 5.6
- 6A.1 to 6A.10
- 7.1
- 8.1 to 8.18
- 9.1
- SU1.1
- 11.1 to 11.4
- APP HMAF1 to APP HMAF7
- APP AFI1 to APP AFI4
- APP B1
- APP C1
- APP ECAA1 to APP ECAA5
- APP ECAAS1 to APP ECAAS9
- APP EU1 to APP EU5
- APP FM18 and APP FM19
- APP FM24
- APP FM29 and APP FM30
- APP V1 and APP V2
- APP VN2
- APP VN5
- APP ETA1 to APP ETA3
- APP DEL1
- APP ST1 and APP ST2
- APP ST7 and APP ST8
- APP STS1
- APP CS1 and APP CS2
- APP PC1 and APP PC2
- APP GR1 to APP GR5
- APP SW1 and APP SW2
- APP SW4 to APP SW7
- APP SW9 to APP SW16
- APP SO1 to APP SO8
- APP ISL1
- APP GBM1 to APP GBM29
- APP MOR1 to APP MOR8
- APP ROB1 to APP ROB8
- APP UKA1 to APP UKA8
- APP GT1 to APP GT13

- APP GTP1 to APP GTP3
- APP HPI3 and APP HPI4
- APP HPI8 and APP HPI9
- APP SCU1 and APP SCU2
- APP SCU4
- APP SCU6 to APP SCU11
- APP SU1 to APP SU4
- APP INNF1 to APP INNF8
- APP ISP1 to APP ISP8
- APP ODW1
- APP DW1 to APP DW8
- APP DWMS1 and APP DWMS2
- APP TWSW2
- APP YMS1 and APP YMS2
- APP CRV1 to APP CRV4
- APP RW1 to APP RW4
- APP CW1 to APP CW4
- APP IA1 to APP IA4
- APP GAE1 to APP GAE5
- APP HK1 to APP HK12
- APP UKR1 to APP UKR15
- APP ARAP1 and APP ARAP2
- APP UEATS1 and APP UEATS2
- APP VTS1 and APP VTS2
- APP FRP1
- APP CRP1 and APP CRP2
- APP ADR1 to APP ADR7
- APP LR1 to APP LR6
- APP VDA1 and APP VDA2
- APP BP1
- APP AD1 to APP AD5
- APP PL1 to APP PL15
- APP SF1 to APP SF10
- APP AF(GHK)1 to APP AF(GHK)5
- APP RR1
- APP CR1 and APP CR2
- APP RWP1
- APP CHI1 and APP CHI2

The following paragraphs shall take effect on 11 November 2025. In relation to those changes, if an application for entry clearance, for an Electronic Travel Authorisation, for permission to enter or for permission to stay, or an application for administrative

review has been made before 11 November 2025, such applications will be decided in accordance with the Immigration Rules in force on 10 November 2025:

- INTRO2 and INTRO3
- 14.1 and 14.2
- APP FM1 to APP FM17
- APP FM20 to APP FM23
- APP FM25 to APP FM28
- APP ST3 to APP ST5
- APP CS3 to APP CS9
- APP SGB1 and APP SGB2
- APP GAES1 to APP GAES3
- APP S1

The following paragraphs shall take effect on 11 November 2025. In relation to those changes, if an application for entry clearance or permission to stay has been made using a certificate of sponsorship issued by a sponsor to an applicant before 11 November 2025, such applications will be decided in accordance with the Immigration Rules in force on 10 November 2025:

- APP TWSW1
- APP TWSW3 and APP TWSW4

The following paragraph shall take effect on 25 November 2025:

APP ST6

The following paragraphs shall take effect on 8 January 2026. In relation to those changes, if an application for entry clearance, for an Electronic Travel Authorisation, for permission to enter or for permission to stay, or an application for administrative review has been made before 8 January 2026, such applications will be decided in accordance with the Immigration Rules in force on 7 January 2026:

- APP SW3
- APP SW8
- APP HPI5 and APP HPI6
- APP SCU3
- APP SCU5

#### **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:

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

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 Introduction**

INTRO1. In Paragraph 6.2 for the definition of "Global Universities List" substitute:

**""Global Universities List"** means the list of universities published by the Home Office on the Gov.uk website, which is compiled on an annual basis and consists of non-UK institutions ranked in the top 100, subject to any exclusions the Secretary of State considers appropriate, of at least two of the following ranking systems:

- (a) Times Higher Education World University Rankings; and
- (b) Quacquarelli Symonds World University Rankings; and
- (c) The Academic Ranking of World Universities.".

INTRO2. In paragraph 6.2(b), after the definition of "Grandparent" insert new definition:

""Guardianship organisation" in Appendix Child Student means an organisation, with the approval of the Child Student's parent, legal guardian or school, that arranges a nominated guardian for a Child Student.".

INTRO3. In paragraph 6.2(b), for the definition of "Nominated guardian", substitute:

""Nominated guardian" in Appendix Child Student means a person aged 18 years old or over who is appointed by a guardianship organisation or the Child Student's parent, legal guardian, or school as the Child Student's carer in the UK for less than 28 continuous days and/or is the school's emergency contact in the UK for the Child Student. The person must not be:

- (a) a private foster carer (for the purposes of section 66 of the Children's Act 1989); or
- (b) a close relative; or
- (c) the Child Student's parent or legal guardian who has permission as a Parent of a Child Student; or
- (d) where the Child Student is full, weekly, or flexi boarding, a member of staff at their sponsoring school.".

#### INTRO4. In 6.2(b), for "**Permission to Stay**" substitute:

""Permission to stay" has the same meaning as leave to remain under the Immigration Act 1971 (and includes a variation of leave to enter or remain and an extension of leave to enter or remain).

And references in these rules to a person having, having had or being granted "Permission" means either permission to enter or permission to stay and includes settlement.".

INTRO5. In paragraph 6.2(b), in the definition for "UK Regulated **Profession**" for:

"https://cpq.ecctis.com/Individuals/Inbound/Regulated%20Professions",

#### Substitute:

"https://www.regulated-professions.service.gov.uk/".

#### **Changes to Changes to Part 1**

- 1.1 In paragraph 11A(h), for ".", substitute "; or".
- 1.2 After paragraph 11A(h), insert:
  - "(i) a person aged 19 or under, studying at a school or educational institution in Germany, the existence of which is confirmed by the relevant German municipal or competent authority, and seeking to enter the UK as part of a school party of 5 or more pupils organised by that school or institution.".
- 1.3 After paragraph 11C, insert:
  - "11D. For the purposes of paragraphs 11A(i), ETA 1.10 and VN 8.0, that person must be listed in a completed "Germany-UK School Trip Travel Information Form" (published by the Home Office on the gov.uk website), authenticated by the relevant German municipal or competent authority, and in the possession of an adult arriving at the border with responsibility for supervising the party's travel."
- 1.4 Delete paragraph 39E.
- 1.5 Delete paragraph 39F.

#### **Changes to Changes to Part 5**

- 5.1. For paragraph 194(vii), substitute:
  - "(vii) the applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability; and".
- 5.2. For paragraph 196A(iv), substitute:
  - "(iv) must not be in the UK in breach of immigration laws except that, where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, any current period of overstaying will be disregarded.".
- 5.3. For paragraph 196D(v), substitute:
  - "(v) must not be in the UK in breach of immigration laws except that, where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, any current period of overstaying will be disregarded.".

- 5.4. For paragraph 197(viii), substitute:
  - "(viii) if seeking leave to remain, must not be in the UK in breach of immigration laws except that, where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, any current period of overstaying will be disregarded.".
- 5.5. For paragraph 199(iv), substitute:
  - "(iv) must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability; and".
- 5.6. For paragraph 199(v), substitute:
  - "(v) must not be in the UK in breach of immigration laws except that, where Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, any current period of overstaying will be disregarded; and".

# **Changes to Part 6A**

- 6A.1. Delete paragraph 245AAA.
- 6A.2. Delete paragraph 245A.
- 6A.3. Delete Paragraphs 245DA-245DE
- 6A.4. For paragraph 245DF(b), substitute:
  - "(b) The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability and must not be an illegal entrant.".
- 6A.5. For paragraph 245DF(e), substitute:
  - "(e) The applicant must not be in the UK in breach of immigration laws except that, where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, any current period of overstaying will be disregarded."
- 6A.6. For paragraph 245EB(a), substitute:
  - "(a) The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".
- 6A.7. For paragraph 245ED(a), substitute:
  - "(a) The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability and must not be an illegal entrant.".

- 6A.8. For paragraph 245ED(f), substitute:
  - "(f) The applicant must not be in the UK in breach of immigration laws except that, where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, any current period of overstaying will be disregarded.".
- 6A.9. For paragraph 245EF(b), substitute:
  - "(b) The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability and must not be an illegal entrant.".
- 6A.10. For paragraph 245EF(e), substitute:
  - "(e) The applicant must not be in the UK in breach of immigration laws except that, where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, any current period of overstaying will be disregarded.".

#### **Changes to Part 7**

7.1. For paragraph 248D(viii), substitute:

"(viii) the applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

# **Changes to Part 8**

- 8.1. For paragraph A282, substitute:
  - "A282. From 1 December 2020, all references to 'refusal under General Grounds for Refusal' in Part 8 are to be read as 'refusal under Part 9: grounds for refusal.' From 11 November 2025 all references to General Grounds for Refusal are to be read as Part Suitability.".
- 8.2. For paragraph 281(vii), substitute:
  - "(vii) the applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".
- 8.3. For paragraph 284(iv), substitute:
  - "(iv) the applicant must not be in the UK in breach of immigration laws (except that, where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, any current period of overstaying will be disregarded); and".
- 8.4. For paragraph 287(a)(vii), substitute:
  - "(vii) the applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

- 8.5. For paragraph 295D(iv), substitute:
  - "(iv) the applicant must not be in the UK in breach of immigration laws (except that, where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, any current period of overstaying will be disregarded); and".
- 8.6. For paragraph 295G(vii), substitute:
  - "(vii) the applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".
- 8.7. For paragraph 297(vii), substitute:
  - "(vii) the applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".
- 8.8. For paragraph 298(vi), substitute:
  - "(vi) does not fall for refusal under Part Suitability, and".
- 8.9. For paragraph 317(vii), substitute:
  - "(vii) does not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".
- 8.10. For paragraph 319C(a), substitute:
  - "(a) The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability, and if applying for leave to remain, must not be an illegal entrant.".
- 8.11. For paragraph 319C(j), substitute:
  - "(j) The applicant must not be in the UK in breach of immigration laws except that, where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, any current period of overstaying will be disregarded.".
- 8.12. For paragraph 319E(a), substitute:
  - "(a) The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability and must not be an illegal entrant.".
- 8.13. For paragraph 319E(i), substitute:
  - "(i) The applicant must not be in the UK in breach of immigration laws except that, where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, any current period of overstaying will be disregarded.".

- 8.14. For paragraph 319H(a), substitute:
  - "(a) the applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability, and if applying for leave to remain, must not be an illegal entrant.".
- 8.15. For paragraph 319H(m), substitute:
  - "(m) The applicant must not be in the UK in breach of immigration laws except, where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, any current period of overstaying will be disregarded.".
- 8.16. For paragraph 319J(a), substitute:
  - "(a) The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability and must not be an illegal entrant.".
- 8.17. For paragraph 319J(i), substitute:
  - "The applicant must not be in the UK in breach of immigration laws except, where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, any current period of overstaying will be disregarded.".
- 8.18. For paragraph 319W(vii), substitute:
  - "(vii) does not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

#### **Changes to Part 9**

9.1. Delete Part 9

#### **Insertion of Part Suitability**

SUI.1. After the deleted Part 9, insert new "Part Suitability":

# "Part Suitability

Part Suitability applies to most routes under these Rules (see section 1).

If an applicant is refused under this Part, they will not meet the suitability requirements of the route on which they are applying.

A person may also have their entry clearance or permission cancelled under this Part. The Immigration Act 1971, section 76 of the Nationality, Immigration and Asylum Act 2002 (revocation of indefinite leave), the Immigration (Leave to Enter and Remain) Order 2000 and Schedule 2 of the Immigration Act 1971 provide the

powers to cancel entry clearance and permission. This Part sets out how those powers are to be exercised.

Where a person has settlement and is in-country (not including at the UK border) their permission can only be cancelled on the grounds contained in section 76 of the Nationality, Immigration and Asylum Act 2002.

Decisions on suitability are either mandatory (must) or discretionary (may). Where a refusal under this Part would be incompatible with the UK obligations under the European Convention on Human Rights (ECHR) the route specific rules set out the approach to be taken.

Some routes have their own, or additional, suitability requirements.

This Part is in 5 sections.

- 1. Application of this Part
- 2. Grounds for refusal, or cancellation, of entry clearance or permission
- 3. Additional grounds for refusal or entry, or cancellation of entry clearance or permission, on arrival in the UK
- 4. Additional grounds for refusal, or cancellation of permission to stay
- 5. Additional grounds for cancellation of entry clearance and permission

#### 1. Application of this Part

SUI 1.1. This Part applies to all routes under these rules, except:

- (a) Appendix EU; and
- (b) Appendix EU (Family Permit); and
- (c) Part 11 (Asylum), except Part Suitability does apply to paragraphs 352ZH to 352ZS, and 352I to 352X; and
- (d) Appendix Service Providers from Switzerland; and
- (e) Appendix Settlement Protection.

SUI 1.2. For the following Appendixes, only the stated provisions of this Part apply:

- (a) For applications for permission to stay under Appendix Domestic Worker who is a Victim of Modern Slavery, paragraphs DWMS 2.1: SUI.2.1(c), SUI.2.2, SUI .3.1, SUI.3.2, SUI 5.1(b), SUI 5.1(c), SUI 5.2, SUI 5.5, SUI 9.1., SUI 9.2., SUI 10.1., SUI 14.1, SUI 14.2., SUI 24.1, SUI 28.1, SUI 29.1; and
- (b) For applications permission granted under the Agreement, paragraphs SUI 2.2, SUI 3.2, SUI 5.2, SUI 5.5., SUI 8.2, SUI 10.2., and SUI 27.2 apply where the criminal offence or adverse conduct occurred after 11pm on 31 December 2020; and
- (c) for applications for permission to stay under Appendix ECAA Extension of

Stay, paragraphs SUI 2.1, SUI 3.1, SUI 5.1, SUI 5.3., SUI 8.1, SUI 9.1, SUI 10.1, SUI 16.1, SUI 17.1 and SUI 27.1, and in relation to such permission paragraphs SUI 2.2, SUI 3.2, SUI 5.2, SUI 5.5, SUI 8.2, SUI 10.2. and SUI 27.2 apply where the criminal offence or adverse conduct occurred after 11pm on 31 December 2020.

- SUI 1.3. This Part also does not apply to Appendix Electronic Travel Authorisation.
- SUI 1.4. Where a person has settlement and is in-country (not including at the UK border) their permission can only be cancelled on the grounds contained in section 76 of the Nationality, Immigration and Asylum Act 2002.

#### 2. Grounds for refusal, or cancellation, of entry clearance or permission

# Exclusion, deportation order or travel ban grounds

- SUI 2.1. An application for entry clearance or permission must be refused where:
  - (a) the Secretary of State has personally directed that the applicant be excluded from the UK; or
  - (b) the applicant is the subject of an exclusion order; or
  - (c) the applicant is the subject of a deportation order, or a decision to make a deportation order.
- SUI 2.2. Entry clearance or permission held by a person must be cancelled where the Secretary of State has personally directed that the person be excluded from the UK.
- SUI 2.3. An application for entry clearance must be refused where the applicant is an excluded person, as defined by section 8B(4) of the Immigration Act 1971, and the person does not fall within section 8B(5A) or 8B(5B) of that Act.
- SUI.2.4. Entry clearance must be cancelled where the person is subject to a travel ban and is an excluded person, as defined by section 8B(4) of the Immigration Act 1971, and the person does not fall within section 8B(5A) or 8B(5B) of that Act.

#### Non-conducive grounds

- SUI 3.1. An application for entry clearance or permission must be refused where the applicant's presence in the UK is not conducive to the public good because of their conduct, character, associations or other reasons (including convictions which do not fall within the criminality grounds).
- SUI 3.2. Entry clearance or permission held by a person must be cancelled, where the person's presence in the UK is not conducive to the public good.

#### **Exclusion from asylum or humanitarian protection grounds**

SUI 4.1. An application for entry clearance or permission must be refused where a decision maker:

- (a) has at any time decided that paragraph 339AA (exclusion from Refugee Convention), 339AC (danger to the UK), 339D (exclusion from a grant of humanitarian protection) or 339GB (revocation of humanitarian protection on grounds of exclusion) of these rules applies to the applicant; or
- (b) has decided that paragraph 339AA, 339AC, 339D or 339GB of these rules would apply, but for the fact that the person has not made a protection claim in the UK, or that the person has made a protection claim which was finally determined without reference to any of the relevant matters described in paragraphs 339AA, 339AC, 339D or 339GB.

SUI 4.2. Entry clearance or permission held by a person must be cancelled where a decision maker:

- (a) has at any time decided that paragraph 339AA (exclusion from Refugee Convention), 339AC (danger to the UK), 339D (exclusion from a grant of humanitarian protection) or 339GB (revocation of humanitarian protection on grounds of exclusion) of these rules applies to the applicant; or
- (b) has decided that paragraph 339AA, 339AC, 339D or 339GB of these rules would apply, but for the fact that the person has not made a protection claim in the UK, or that the person has made a protection claim which was finally determined without reference to any of the relevant matters described in paragraphs 339AA, 339AC, 339D or 339GB.

#### **Criminality grounds**

SUI 5.1. An application for entry clearance or permission must be refused where the applicant:

- (a) has been convicted of a criminal offence in the UK or overseas for which they have received a custodial sentence of 12 months or more; or
- (b) is a persistent offender who shows a particular disregard for the law; or
- (c) has committed a criminal offence, or offences, which caused serious harm.

SUI 5.2. Entry clearance or permission held by a person must be cancelled where the person:

- (a) has been convicted of a criminal offence in the UK or overseas for which they have received a custodial sentence of 12 months or more; or
- (b) is a persistent offender who shows a particular disregard for the law; or
- (c) has committed a criminal offence, or offences, which caused serious harm.

- SUI 5.3. An application for entry clearance or permission may be refused where the applicant:
  - (a) has been convicted of a criminal offence in the UK or overseas for which they have received a custodial sentence of less than 12 months; or
  - (b) has been convicted of a criminal offence in the UK or overseas for which they have received a non-custodial sentence, or received an out-of-court disposal that is recorded on their criminal record.
- SUI 5.4. An application for entry clearance or permission to enter under Appendix V: Visitor, or where a person is seeking entry on arrival in the UK for a stay for less than 6 months, must be refused where the applicant:
  - (a) has been convicted of a criminal offence in the UK or overseas for which they have received a custodial sentence of less than 12 months, unless more than 12 months have passed since the end of the custodial sentence; or
  - (b) has been convicted of a criminal offence in the UK or overseas for which they have received a non-custodial sentence, or received an out-of-court disposal that is recorded on their criminal record, unless more than 12 months have passed since the date of conviction.
- SUI 5.5. Entry clearance or permission held by a person may be cancelled where the person:
  - (a) has been convicted of a criminal offence in the UK or overseas for which they have received a custodial sentence of less than 12 months; or
  - (b) has been convicted of a criminal offence in the UK or overseas for which they have received a non-custodial sentence, or received an out-of-court disposal that is recorded on their criminal record.

#### **Appendix FM: Safeguarding Ground**

SUI 6.1. An application for entry clearance under Appendix FM must be refused if the decision maker considers the applicant's parent or parent's partner poses a risk to the applicant.

#### **Innovator Founder: fit and proper person grounds**

- SUI 7.1. An application for entry clearance or permission as an Innovator Founder may be refused where the decision maker has reason to believe that the applicant:
  - (a) is the subject of any serious civil or criminal investigations or proceedings with regard to corruption or other financial crime or financial misconduct; or
  - (b) is, or has been, the subject of non-criminal sanctions, including being

disbarred from acting as a director or carrying out regulated financial activities in any country.

SUI 7.2. Entry clearance or permission held by a person as an Innovator Founder may be cancelled if the decision maker has reason to believe that the applicant is or has been:

- (a) the subject of any serious civil or criminal action with regard to corruption or other financial crime or serious misconduct; or
- (b) disbarred from acting as a director or carrying out regulated financial activities in any country.

# Involvement in a sham marriage or sham civil partnership grounds

SUI 8.1. An application for entry clearance or permission may be refused where the decision maker is satisfied that it is more likely than not that that the applicant is, or has been, involved in a sham marriage or sham civil partnership.

SUI 8.2. Entry clearance or permission held by a person may be cancelled where the decision maker is satisfied that it is more likely than not the person is, or has been, involved in a sham marriage or sham civil partnership.

### **Deception grounds**

- SUI 9.1. An application for entry clearance or permission must be refused where the decision maker is satisfied that the applicant used deception by:
  - (a) making false representations or providing false documents or false information in relation to the application (whether or not relevant to the application); or
  - (b) not disclosing relevant facts in relation to the application.
- SUI 9.2. Permission extended under section 3C of the Immigration Act 1971 may be cancelled where the decision maker is satisfied the applicant used deception by:
  - (a) making false representations or providing false documents or false information in relation to an application (whether or not relevant to the application); or
  - (b) not disclosing relevant facts in relation to an application.

#### False representations, etc grounds

SUI 10.1. An application for entry clearance or permission may be refused where the applicant or a third party, in relation to the application, or to obtain documents from the Secretary of State or a third party:

- (a) made false representations or provided false documents or false information in relation to the application (whether or not relevant to the application, and whether or not to the applicant's knowledge); or
- (b) did not disclose relevant facts in relation to the application.

SUI 10.2. Entry clearance or permission held by a person may be cancelled where, the applicant or a third party, in relation to the application, or to obtain documents from the Secretary of State or a third party:

- (a) made false representations or provided false documents or false information in relation to an application (whether or not relevant to the application, and whether or not to the applicant's knowledge); or
- (b) did not disclose relevant facts in relation to an application.

#### Previous breach of immigration law grounds

SUI 11.1. An application for entry clearance or permission to enter must be refused if:

- (a) the applicant has previously breached immigration laws as defined in SUI 11.4; and
- (b) the application was made within the relevant time period in SUI 12.1.

SUI 11.2. An application for entry clearance or permission to enter may be refused where:

- (a) the applicant has previously breached immigration laws as defined in SUI 11.4; and
- (b) the application was made outside the relevant time period in SUI 12.1; and
- (c) the applicant has acted to frustrate immigration controls (see SUI 11.7.).

SUI 11.3. An application for permission may be refused where the applicant is, or has been, in breach of immigration laws as defined in SUI 11.4.

SUI 11.4. An applicant will be treated as having breached immigration laws if, aged 18 or over, they:

- (a) overstayed their permission, unless an exception in SUI 11.5. or SUI 11.6. applied to that period of overstaying; or
- (b) breached a condition attached to their permission, unless entry clearance or further permission has subsequently been granted in the knowledge of the breach; or
- (a) were (or still are) an illegal entrant; or
- (b) used deception in relation to a previous application (whether or not

successfully).

SUI 11.5. A period of overstaying will be disregarded for the purpose of SUI 11.4.(a) where the person left the UK voluntarily, not at the expense (directly or indirectly) of the Secretary of State, and:

- (a) the person overstayed for 90 days or less, where the overstaying began before 6 April 2017; or
- (b) the person overstayed for 30 days or less, where the overstaying began on or after 6 April 2017; or
- (c) SUI 13.1. applied to the period of overstaying.

SUI 11.6. A period of overstaying will not be counted for the purpose of paragraph SUI 11.4.(a) where the overstaying arose from a decision to refuse an application, or cancellation of permission, which was subsequently withdrawn, or quashed, or reconsidered by direction of a court or tribunal, unless the legal challenge which led to the reconsideration was brought more than 3 months after the date of the decision to refuse or cancel.

SUI 11.7. An applicant will be treated as having acted to frustrate immigration controls, if aged 18 or over, they (for example):

- (a) failed to cooperate with the redocumentation, arrest or removal process; or
- (b) used a false identity; or
- (c) failed to report as required or absconded from immigration custody or bail; or
- (d) obtained state or public authority benefits, tax credits, employment or goods or services they were not entitled to or accessed housing in the private rented sector; or.
- (e) used multiple identities; or
- (f) participated in immigration related crime.

SUI 11.8. Permission (including that extended under section 3C of the Immigration Act 1971) may be cancelled where the person has failed to comply with the conditions of their permission.

#### Mandatory Refusal Periods (also known as re-entry bans)

SUI 12.1. The relevant time period under SUI 11.1. and SUI 11.2. is as set out in the following table (and where the person previously breached more than one immigration law, only the breach which leads to the longest period of absence from the UK will apply):

And the applicant left the	And the applicant left the	This applies where	Time from date
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the person left the UK (or date of refusal of the application under row (f))	the applicant	UK	UK
(a) 12 months	left voluntarily	at their own expense	N/A
(b) 2 years	left voluntarily	at public expense	Within 6 months of being given notice of liability for removal or when they no longer had a pending appeal or administrative review, whichever is later.
(c) 5 years	left voluntarily	at public expense	more than 6 months after being given notice of liability for removal or when they no longer had a pending appeal or administrative review, whichever is later.
(d) 5 years	left or was removed from the UK	as a condition of a caution issued under section 22 of the Criminal Justice Act 2003 (and providing that any condition prohibiting their return to the UK has itself expired)	
(e) 10 years	was removed from the UK	at public expense	-
(f) 10 years	Used deception in an application (for visits this applies to applications for entry clearance only)	-	-

**Exceptions for overstayers** 

# SUI 13.1. An applicant will not be treated as an overstayer if:

- (a) their application was made within 14 days of their previous permission expiring, and the decision maker considers that there was a good reason beyond the control of the applicant or their representative, provided in or with the application, why the application could not be made in-time; or
- (b) the application was made:
  - (i) following the refusal or rejection of a previous application for permission which was made in-time; and
  - (ii) within 14 days of:
    - (1) the refusal or rejection of that previous application; or
    - (2) the expiry of any permission extended by section 3C of the Immigration Act 1971; or
    - (3) the expiry of the time-limit for making an in-time application for administrative review or appeal in relation to the previous application (where applicable); or
    - (4) any administrative review or appeal in relation to the previous application being concluded, withdrawn, abandoned or lapsing; or
- (c) the period of overstaying was between 24 January 2020 and 31 August 2020; or
- (d) the applicant has, or had, permission on the Hong Kong BN(O) route, and the period of overstaying was between 1 July 2020 and 31 January 2021: or
- (e) the period of overstaying:
  - (i) is between 1 September 2020 and 28 February 2023; and
  - (ii) is covered by an exceptional assurance.

SUI 13.2. For the purpose of SUI 13.1(e)(ii), "exceptional assurance" means a written notice given to a person by the Home Office stating that they would not be considered an overstayer for the period specified in the notice.

# Failure to provide required information, etc grounds

SUI 14.1. An application for entry clearance or permission may be refused where a person fails without reasonable excuse to comply with a reasonable requirement to:

- (a) attend an interview; or
- (b) provide information; or
- (c) provide biometrics (whether or not requested as part of an application); or
- (d) undergo a medical examination; or
- (e) provide a medical report.

SUI 14.2. Any entry clearance or permission may be cancelled where the person fails without reasonable excuse to comply with a reasonable requirement to:

- (a) attend an interview; or
- (b) provide information; or
- (c) provide biometrics; or
- (d) undergo a medical examination; or
- (e) provide a medical report.

# Admissibility to the Common Travel Area or other countries grounds

SUI 15.1. An application for entry clearance or permission to enter must be refused where a person is seeking entry to the UK with the intention of entering another part of the Common Travel Area and fails to satisfy the decision maker that they are acceptable to the immigration authorities there.

SUI 15.2. An application for entry clearance or permission may be refused where a person seeking entry fails to satisfy the decision maker that they will be admitted to another country after a stay in the UK.

# Debt to the NHS grounds

SUI 16.1. An application for entry clearance or permission may be refused where a relevant NHS body has notified the Secretary of State that the applicant has failed to pay charges under relevant NHS regulations on charges to overseas visitors and the outstanding charges have a total value of at least £500.

#### Unpaid litigation costs grounds

SUI 17.1. An application for entry clearance or permission may be refused where a person has failed to pay litigation costs awarded to the Home Office.

#### Purpose not covered by the Immigration Rules grounds

SUI 18.1. An application for entry clearance or permission may be refused where a person is seeking to come to or stay in the UK for a purpose not covered by these rules.

#### **Medical Grounds**

SUI 19.1. Entry clearance or permission to enter must be refused where a medical inspector advises that for medical reasons it is undesirable to grant entry clearance or permission to enter, unless the decision maker is satisfied that there are strong compassionate reasons justifying admission.

SUI 19.2. Entry clearance or permission to enter held by a person may be cancelled where a medical inspector advises that for medical reasons it is undesirable to grant entry to the person.

3. Additional grounds for refusal of entry, or cancellation of entry clearance or permission, on arrival in the UK

#### No entry clearance grounds

SUI 20.1. Permission to enter must be refused on arrival if the person seeking entry is required under these rules to obtain entry clearance in advance of travel to the UK, and the person does not hold the required entry clearance.

# Failure to produce recognised passport or travel document grounds

SUI 21.1. Permission to enter must be refused if the person seeking entry fails to produce a passport or other travel document that satisfies the decision maker as to their identity and nationality, unless the person holds a travel document issued by the national authority of a state of which the person is not a national and the person's statelessness or other status prevents the person from obtaining a document satisfactorily establishing their identity and nationality.

SUI 21.2. Permission to enter may be refused if the person seeking entry produces a passport or other travel document which:

- (a) was issued by a territorial entity or authority which is not recognised by Her Majesty's Government as a state, or is not dealt with as a government by them; or
- (b) was issued by a territorial entity or authority which does not accept valid UK passports for the purpose of its own immigration controls; or
- (c) does not comply with international passport practice.

SUI 21.3. Entry clearance or permission to stay held by a person may be cancelled where on arrival they fail to produce a passport or other travel document that meets the requirements in SUI 21.1.

#### Consent for a child to travel grounds

SUI 22.1. A child may be refused permission to enter if they are not travelling with their parent or legal guardian and, if required to do so, the child's parent or legal guardian fails to provide the decision maker with written consent to the child seeking entry to the UK.

#### Returning residents grounds

SUI 23.1. A person granted settlement may return to the UK where, although having been absent from the UK and Islands, that permission has not lapsed, but where that permission has lapsed, Appendix Returning Resident applies if the person wants to return to and settle in the UK.

SUI 23.2. A person granted settlement who is seeking entry to the UK may be refused permission to enter if they fail to satisfy the decision maker that their leave has not lapsed, and they do not have entry clearance granted under Appendix Returning Resident.

#### **Customs breaches grounds**

SUI 24.1. Permission to enter may be refused where the decision maker is satisfied that a person has committed a customs breach, whether or not a criminal prosecution is pursued.

SUI 24.2. Where the decision maker is satisfied that a person has committed a customs breach, whether or not a criminal prosecution is pursued, any entry clearance or permission may be cancelled.

# Change of circumstances or purpose grounds

SUI 25.1. Entry clearance or permission held by a person may be cancelled where there has been such a change in circumstances since the entry clearance or permission was granted that it should be cancelled.

SUI 25.2. Entry clearance or permission to enter held by a person on arrival in the UK may be cancelled where the person's purpose in seeking entry is different from the purpose specified in their entry clearance.

#### **Electronic Travel Authorisation (ETA) grounds**

SUI 26.1. Permission to enter may be refused if the person seeking entry is required under these rules to obtain an Electronic Travel Authorisation before travel to the UK, and the person does not hold the required Electronic Travel Authorisation on arrival in the UK.

#### 4. Additional grounds for refusal, or cancellation, of permission to stay

# Rough sleeping in the UK grounds

SUI 27.1. Permission to stay may be refused where the decision maker is satisfied that a person has been rough sleeping in the UK and has repeatedly refused offers of suitable support and has engaged in persistent anti-social behaviour.

SUI 27.2. Where the decision maker is satisfied that a person has been rough sleeping in the UK and has repeatedly refused offers of suitable support, and has engaged in persistent anti-social behaviour, any permission to stay held by the person may be cancelled.

# **Crew members grounds**

SUI 28.1. Where a person has permission to enter as a crew member an application for permission to stay may be refused, unless permission to stay is granted to fulfil the purpose for which the person has permission to enter.

#### 5. Additional grounds for cancellation of entry clearance and permission

# Ceasing to meet requirement of rules

SUI 29.1. A person's entry clearance or permission may be cancelled if they cease to meet the requirements of the rules under which the entry clearance or permission was granted.

# **Dependent grounds**

SUI 30.1. A person's entry clearance or permission may be cancelled where they are the dependent of another person whose permission is, or has been, cancelled.

# Withdrawal of sponsorship or endorsement grounds

SUI 31.1. A person's entry clearance or permission may be cancelled where their sponsorship or endorsement has been withdrawn, and they have entry clearance or permission on one of the following routes:

- (a) Student; or
- (b) Child Student; or
- (c) Skilled Worker; or
- (d) Intra-Company Transfer; or
- (e) Intra-Company Graduate Trainee; or
- (f) Representative of an Overseas Business; or
- (g) T2 Minister of Religion; or
- (h) International Sportsperson; or
- (i) Temporary Worker; or
- (j) Start-up; or
- (k) Innovator Founder; or
- (1) Global Talent; or
- (m)Global Business Mobility routes; or
- (n) Scale-up (subject to SUI 39.1.).

- SUI 31.2. A Student's permission may be cancelled where the sponsor withdraws their sponsorship of the Student because, having completed a pre-sessional course, the student does not have a knowledge of English equivalent to level B2 or above in all four components (reading, writing, speaking and listening) of the Council of Europe's Common European Framework for Language Learning.
- SUI 31.3. Entry clearance or permission held under the Global Talent route may be cancelled where the prize named in Appendix Global Talent: Prestigious Prizes which they used to qualify, has been withdrawn.
- SUI 31.4. Entry Clearance or permission on the Innovator Founder route may be cancelled where that entry clearance or permission was granted on or after 13 April 2023 and the holder fails to undergo a contact point meeting with their Endorsing Body.

#### Student does not start course or ceases to study

SUI 32.1. The entry clearance or permission of a Student or Child Student may be cancelled if:

- (a) they do not start their studies with their sponsor; or
- (b) they or their sponsor confirm that their course of study has ceased, or will cease before the end date recorded on the Certificate of Acceptance for Studies; or
- (c) the start date for the course is delayed for more than 28 days; or
- (d) they cease to study with their sponsor.

#### Worker does not start work or ceases their employment

- SUI 33.1. A person's entry clearance or permission on the Skilled Worker, Intra-Company, Global Business Mobility, Representative of an Overseas Business, Scale-up Worker (subject to SUI 39.1.), T2 Minister of Religion, International Sportsperson or Temporary Worker routes, may be cancelled if:
  - (a) they do not start working for their sponsor; or
  - (b) they or their sponsor confirm that their employment, volunteering, training or job shadowing has ceased or will cease before the end date recorded on the Certificate of Sponsorship; or
  - (c) the start date for the job, as recorded in the Certificate of Sponsorship, is delayed by more than 28 days; or
  - (d) they cease to work for their sponsor.

# Sponsor loses licence or transfers business

SUI 34.1. A person on the Student, Child Student, Skilled Worker, Intra-Company,

Global Business Mobility, Scale-up Worker (subject to SUI 39.1.), T2 Minister of Religion, International Sportsperson or Temporary Worker routes, may have their entry clearance or permission cancelled if:

- (a) their sponsor does not have a sponsor licence; or
- (b) their sponsor transfers the business for which the person works, or at which they study, to another business or institution, and that business or institution:
  - (i) fails to apply for a sponsor licence; or
  - (ii) fails to apply for a sponsor licence within 28 days of the date of a transfer of their business or institution; or
  - (iii) applies for a sponsor licence but is refused; or
  - (iv) makes a successful application for a sponsor licence, but the sponsor licence granted is not in a category that would allow the sponsor to issue a Certificate of Sponsorship or Confirmation of Acceptance for Studies to the person.

# Change of employer

SUI 35.1. A person on the Skilled Worker, Intra-Company, Global Business Mobility, Scale-up Worker (subject to paragraph SUI 39.1.), T2 Minister of Religion, International Sportsperson or Temporary Worker routes, may have their permission cancelled where they have changed their employer, unless any of the following exceptions apply:

- (a) they are a person on the Government Authorised Exchange route, or a Seasonal Worker and the change of employer is authorised by the sponsor; or
- (b) they are working for a different sponsor, unless the change of sponsor does not result in a change of employer, or the change in employer is covered by the Transfer of Undertakings (Protection of Employment) Regulations 2006, equivalent statutory transfer schemes, or the Cabinet Office Statement of Practice on Staff Transfers in the Public Sector; or
- (c) they have permission to stay as an International Sportsperson, and all of the following apply:
  - (i) they are sponsored by a sports club; and
  - (ii) they are sponsored as a player and are being temporarily loaned to another sports club; and
  - (iii)player loans are specifically permitted in rules set down by the relevant sports governing body; and
  - (iv)their sponsor has made arrangements with the loan club to enable to the sponsor to continue to meet its sponsor duties; and
  - (v) the player will return to working for the sponsor at the end of the loan.

# **Absence from employment**

SUI 36.1. A person on the Skilled Worker, Intra-Company, Representative of an Overseas Business, Scale-up (subject to SUI 39.1.), Global Business Mobility, T2 Minister of Religion, International Sportsperson or Temporary Worker routes who has been absent from work without pay, or on reduced pay, for more than 4 weeks during any calendar year may have their permission cancelled unless the reason for absence is one or more of the following:

- (a) statutory maternity leave, paternity leave, shared parental leave, neonatal care leave, or parental leave; or
- (b) statutory adoption leave; or
- (c) sick leave; or
- (d) assisting with a national or international humanitarian or environmental crisis, providing their sponsor agreed to the absence for that purpose; or
- (e) taking part in legally organised industrial action; or
- (f) jury service; or
- (g) attending court as a witness.

# Change of job or lower salary rate

SUI 37.1. A person on the Skilled Worker, Intra-Company, Representative of an Overseas Business, Scale-up (subject to SUI 39.1.), Global Business Mobility, T2 Minister of Religion or Temporary Worker routes may have their permission cancelled where they have changed jobs or they receive a lower salary rate (unless any of SUI 37.2. or SUI 37.3. apply) if:

- (a) they are a person on the Intra-Company, Global Business Mobility, Skilled Worker or a Scale-up Worker routes and have changed to a different job in the same SOC 2020 occupation code but the salary rate for the new job is lower than the salary rate for the old job as set out in Appendix Skilled Occupations.
- (b) they are a Skilled Worker and scored points for a job in Appendix Immigration Salary List (or the previous Appendix Shortage Occupation List) and the new job does not appear in Appendix Immigration Salary List.
- (c) they have changed jobs and the new job has a different SOC 2020 occupation code to that recorded by the Certificate of Sponsorship (unless SUI 37.2. applies), or unless they are sponsored in a SOC 2010 occupation code and the change is a result of switching to a SOC 2020 occupation code; or
- (d) the person no longer meets the salary requirement or going rate requirement for the job.

### SUI 37.2. The following exception applies to SUI 37.1(c):

- (a) the person is sponsored to undertake a graduate training programme covering multiple roles within the organisation; and
- (b) the person is changing to a job with a different SOC 2020 occupation code

- either as a part of that programme or when appointed to a permanent role with the sponsor at the end of that programme; and
- (c) their sponsor has notified the Home Office of the change of job and any change in salary.

# SUI 37.3. The following exceptions apply to reduction in salary under SUI 37.1:

- (a) a reduction in salary coincides with an absence from employment permitted under paragraph SUI 36.1; or
- (b) the person is on the Intra-Company or Global Business Mobility routes and a reduction in salary coincides with working for the sponsor group while the person is not physically present in the UK; or
- (c) the person is a Skilled Worker and:
  - (i) if the person has permission under Appendix Skilled Worker, they would, after the change to the job, score 20 tradeable points in either the same option in the table in SW 4.2, or under SW 14.5(b), whichever they had scored points under when obtaining their most recent grant of permission; or
  - (ii) if the person has permission as a Tier 2 (General) Migrant, they would, after the change to the job, score 20 tradeable points under option A or F in the table in SW 4.2, or under SW 14.5(b), if they were to apply under Appendix Skilled Worker; or
  - (iii) if the person has permission as a Tier 2 (General) Migrant who was considered a new entrant in their application for that Tier 2 (General) permission, they would, after the change to the job, score 20 tradeable points under option E in the table in SW 4.2, if they were to apply under Appendix Skilled Worker; or
- (d) a reduction in salary coincides with a temporary reduction in the person's hours for individual health reasons, or a phased return to work for individual health reasons, in either case being supported by an occupational health assessment and where the reduction in pay does not result in the hourly rate falling below any requirement which applied when the person obtained their most recent grant of permission.

#### **Endorsing body no longer approved**

SUI 38.1. Where a person has entry clearance or permission to stay on the Global Talent, Start-up or Innovator Founder route their entry clearance or permission to stay may be cancelled if their endorsing body ceases to hold that status for the route in which they were endorsed.

# **Exception for Scale-up Workers**

SUI 39.1. SUI 31.1. and SUI. 33.1. to SUI 37.1. only apply to a Scale-up Worker during the 6-month period that the Scale-up Worker is required to work for a Sponsor under Appendix Scale-up.".

#### **Changes to Part 11**

- 11.1. For paragraph 352ZH(v), substitute:
  - "(v) must not fall for refusal under SUI 2.1 (c), SUI 3.1, SUI 4.1, SUI 5.1, SUI 5.3, SUI 9.1, SUI 10.1, SUI 11.1 to SUI 11.4, SUI 14.1, SUI 16.1, SUI 17.1 or SUI 18.1 of Part Suitability.".
- 11.2. For paragraph 352ZP, substitute:
  - "352ZP. A person's grant of leave under paragraph 352ZH or 352ZN may be curtailed or revoked if any of the grounds in SUI 3.2, SUI 5.2 (b), SUI 5.2(c), SUI 5.5, SUI 10.2, SUI 11.8 and SUI 14.2 of Part Suitability apply.".
- 11.3. For paragraph 352J(v), substitute:
  - "(v) must not fall for refusal under SUI 2.1 (c), SUI 3.1, SUI 4.1, SUI 5.1, SUI 5.3, SUI 10.1, SUI 9.1, SUI 11.1 to SUI 11.4, SUI 14.1, SUI 16.1, SUI 17.1 or SUI 18.1 of Part Suitability.".
- 11.4. For paragraph 352U, substitute:
  - "352U. A person's grant of leave under paragraph 352J or 352S may be curtailed or revoked if any of the grounds in SUI 3.2, SUI 5.2 (b), SUI 5.2(c), SUI 5.5, SUI 10.2, SUI 11.8. and SUI 14.2. of Part Suitability apply."

#### **Changes to Part 14**

- 14.1. For paragraph 417 substitute:
  - "417. Applications made on or before 10 November 2025 for permission as a partner or child of a stateless person will be decided under the Part 14 rules in force at that time. Applications on or after 11 November 2025 will be decided under Appendix Statelessness rules, if the applicant meets its requirements. If not, the applicant must apply for permission under Appendix FM".
- 14.2. Delete paragraph 418.

# **Changes to Appendix HM Armed Forces**

HMAF1. For AF 2.1, substitute:

"AF 2.1. The decision maker must be satisfied that the applicant should not be refused under Part Suitability.".

HMAF2. For AF 2.2, substitute:

"AF 2.2. If the applicant is in the UK on the date of application, they must not be:

- (a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or
- (b) on immigration bail.".

HMAF3. For AF 10.1, substitute:

"AF 10.1. The decision maker must be satisfied that the applicant should not be refused under Part Suitability.".

HMAF4. For AF 10.2, substitute:

"AF 10.2. If the applicant is in the UK on the date of application, they must not be:

- (a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or
- (b) on immigration bail.".

HMAF5. For AF 19.2, substitute:

"AF 19.2. Where AF 19.1. applies, and the applicant falls for refusal under SUI 2.1., SUI 2.3., SUI 4.1., SUI 5.1., of Part Suitability, the application as a partner or child of a member of HM Armed Forces or an Armed Forces Service leaver, will be refused."

HMAF6. For AF 23.1, substitute:

"AF 23.1. The decision maker must be satisfied that the applicant should not be refused under Part Suitability.".

# HMAF7. For AF 23.2, substitute:

- "AF 23.2. If the applicant is in the UK on the date of application, they must not be:
  - (a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or
  - (b) on immigration bail.".

# **Changes to Appendix International Armed Forces and International Civilian Employees**

- AFI1. For AFI 2.1, substitute:
  - "AFI 2.1. The decision maker must be satisfied that the applicant should not be refused under Part Suitability.".
- AFI2. For AFI 2.2, substitute:
  - "AFI 2.2. If the applicant is in the UK, they must not be:
    - (a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or
    - (b) on immigration bail.".
- AFI3. For AFI 13.1, substitute:
  - "AFI 13.1. The decision maker must be satisfied that the applicant should not be refused under Part Suitability.".
- AFI4. For AFI 13.2, substitute:
  - "AFI 13.2. If the applicant is in the UK, they must not be:
    - (a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or
    - (b) on immigration bail.".

# **Changes to Appendix B: English Language**

APP B1. Delete Appendix B.

# Changes to Appendix C: maintenance (funds) Tier 1 (Entrepreneur)

APP C1. Delete Appendix C.

# Changes to Appendix ECAA: Extension of stay

APP ECAA1. For ECAA 2.1(c), substitute:

"(c) in respect of conduct after 11pm on 31 December 2020, the applicant falls for refusal as provided for in SUI 1.2. of Part Suitability of these rules or ECAA 2.2.".

# APP ECAA2. For ECAA 2.2, substitute:

"ECCA 2.2. If applying for permission to stay and in respect of conduct after 11pm on 31 December 2020, the applicant must not be:

(a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or (b) on immigration bail."

# APP ECAA3. For ECAA 8.1, substitute:

"ECAA 8.1. The suitability requirements for entry clearance for a dependent child will be met unless the applicant falls for refusal under Part Suitability".

# APP ECAA4. For ECAA 8.2(c), substitute:

"(c) in respect of conduct committed after 11pm on 31 December 2020, the applicant falls for refusal as provided for under SUI 1.2. of Part Suitability of these rules or ECAA 8.3. applies.".

#### APP ECAA5. For ECAA 8.3, substitute:

"ECAA 8.3. If applying for permission to stay the applicant must not be:

- (a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or
- (b) on immigration bail.".

## **Changes to Appendix ECAA Settlement**

APP ECAAS1. For ECAA 3.1(e), substitute:

"(e) not fall for refusal under Part Suitability; and".

APP ECAAS2. For ECAA 3.1(f), substitute:

"(f) not be in the UK in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, any current period of overstaying will be disregarded.".

APP ECAAS3. For ECAA 4.1(d), substitute:

"(d) not fall for refusal under Part Suitability; and".

APP ECAAS4. For ECAA 4.1(f), substitute:

"(f) not be in breach of UK immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, any current period of overstaying will be disregarded.".

APP ECAAS5. For ECAA 5.1(h), substitute:

"(h) the applicant must not be in the UK in breach of immigration laws, except that, where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, any current period of overstaying will be disregarded; and".

APP ECAAS6. For ECAA 5.1(i), substitute:

"(i) the applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP ECAAS7. For ECAA 6.1(g), substitute:

"(g) not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP ECAAS8. For ECAA 7.1(d), substitute:

"(d) not fall for refusal under Part Suitability; and".

APP ECAAS9. For ECAA 7.1(f), substitute:

"(f) not be in breach of UK immigration laws except that:

- (i) where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, any current period of overstaying will be disregarded; or
- (ii) where paragraph ECAA 7.1.(b)(ii) applies, any current period of overstaying will be disregarded.".

# **Changes to Appendix EU**

APP EU1. In Annex 1, in sub-paragraph (a) of the definition of 'continuous qualifying period', for:

"(or unless sub-paragraph (b)(i)(ii) below applies)",

substitute:

"(or unless sub-paragraph (b)(i)(ii) or (b)(i)(jj) below applies)".

APP EU2. In Annex 1, for sub-paragraphs (b)(i)(ii) and (b)(i)(jj) of the definition of 'continuous qualifying period', substitute:

- "(ii) (where the person has limited leave to enter or remain granted under paragraph EU3 of this Appendix) any period(s) of absence which did not exceed a total of 30 months in the most recent 60-month period, as at the date of application (where the Secretary of State is considering whether the requirements for indefinite leave to enter or remain in paragraph EU2 are met) or (as the case may be) at the date on which, under paragraph EU4, the Secretary of State is considering whether to grant them indefinite leave to enter or remain under paragraph EU2, without a valid application under this Appendix having been made; or
- (jj) (where the person has limited leave to enter or remain granted under paragraph EU3A of this Appendix) any period(s) of absence which did not exceed a total of 30 months in the most recent 60-month period, as at the date of application (where the Secretary of State is considering whether the requirements for indefinite leave to enter or remain in paragraph EU2A are met) or (as the case may be) at the date on which, under paragraph EU4, the Secretary of State is considering whether to grant them indefinite leave to enter or remain under paragraph EU2A, without a valid application under this Appendix having been made; or
- (kk) any period of absence due directly to an order or decision to which sub-paragraph (b)(iii) below refers, where that order or decision has been set aside or revoked; or".

APP EU3. In Annex 1, in sub-paragraph (c)(vi) of the definition of 'continuous

qualifying period', for:

"sub-paragraph (b)(i)(ii) above applies",

substitute:

"sub-paragraph (b)(i)(ii) or (b)(i)(jj) above applies".

APP EU4. In Annex 1, for the second sub-paragraph (a) in the definition of 'required date', substitute:

"(a) for the avoidance of doubt, the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability does not apply to applications made under this Appendix; and".

APP EU5. In Annex 3, for A3.3., substitute:

"A3.3. A person's limited leave to enter or remain granted under this Appendix may be cancelled on or before their arrival in the UK where the Secretary of State or an Immigration Officer is satisfied that it is proportionate to cancel that leave where they cease to meet, or never met, the requirements of this Appendix."

## **Changes to Appendix FM**

APP FM1. For GEN.3.1.(2), substitute:

"(2) Where the financial requirement in paragraph E-ECP.3.1., E-LTRP.3.1., E-LTRP.3.7 (in the context of an application for limited leave to remain as a partner), E-ECC.2.1., E-ECC.2.5., E-LTRC.2.1., or E-LTRC.2.5. is met following consideration under sub-paragraph (1) (and provided that the other relevant requirements of the Immigration Rules are also met and the applicant does not meet D-ECP.1.2A.,D-LTRP.1.2A., D-ECC.1.1A and D-LTRC.1.1A), the applicant will be granted entry clearance or leave to remain under, as appropriate, paragraph D-ECP.1.2., D-LTRP.1.2., D-ECC.1.1., D-LTRC.1.1., Appendix Adoption of the Immigration Rules."

APP FM2. In GEN.3.2.(1), for "Part 9 of the rules" substitute "Part Suitability".

APP FM3. For GEN.3.2.(3), substitute:

"(3) Where the exceptional circumstances referred to in sub-paragraph (2) above apply, unless D.ECP.1.2A., D-LTRP.1.2A., D-ECPT.1.2A,

D-LTRPT.1.2A., D-ECC.1.1A and D-LTRC.1.1A. applies, the applicant will be granted entry clearance or leave to enter or remain under, as appropriate, paragraph D-ECP.1.2., D-LTRP.1.2., D-ECC.1.1., D-LTRC.1.1., D-ECPT.1.2. or D-LTRPT.1.2.".

APP FM4. In EC-P.1.1(c), delete "any of the grounds in".

APP FM5. For S-EC.1.1., substitute "The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP FM6. Delete S-EC.1.2 to S-EC. 3.2.

APP FM7. In D-ECP.1.2., for:

"Where paragraph GEN.3.1.(2) or GEN.3.2.(3) of this Appendix applies,"

substitute:

"Unless D-ECP.1.2A. applies, where paragraph GEN.3.1.(2) or GEN.3.2.(3) of this Appendix applies,".

APP FM8. After D-ECP.1.2., insert:

"D-ECP.1.2A. Where paragraph GEN 3.2(3) applies but the applicant does not meet the suitability paragraphs SUI 2.1., SUI 2.3., SUI 4.1., SUI 5.1., in Part Suitability, the application on Appendix FM will be refused."

APP FM9. For S-LTR.1.1., substitute "The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP FM10. Delete S-LTR.1.2. to S-LTR.4.5.

APP FM11. In D-LTRP.1.2., for:

"If the applicant meets the requirements in paragraph R-LTRP.1.1.(a), (b) and (d) for limited leave to remain as a partner,"

substitute:

"Unless D-LTRP.1.2A. applies, if the applicant meets the requirements in paragraph R-LTRP.1.1.(a), (b) and (d) for limited leave to remain as a partner,".

APP FM12. After D-LTRP.1.2., insert:

"D-LTRP.1.2A. Where paragraph GEN 3.2.(3) applies but the applicant does not meet the suitability paragraphs SUI 2.1., SUI 2.3., SUI 4.1., SUI 5.1., in Part Suitability, the application on Appendix FM will be refused."

APP FM13. For D-ILRP.1.2., substitute:

"D-ILRP.1.2. If the applicant does not meet the requirements for indefinite leave to remain as a partner as they have not demonstrated sufficient knowledge of the English language or about life in the United Kingdom in accordance with Appendix KoLL, subject to compliance with any requirement notified under paragraph GEN.1.15.(b), the applicant will be granted further limited leave to remain as a partner for a period not exceeding 30 months, and subject to a condition of no recourse to public funds."

APP FM14. In D-ILRP.1.3., after "and does not qualify for further limited leave to remain as a partner under paragraph DILRP.1.2." insert "or D-LTRP.1.2A.".

APP FM15. In R-ILRP.1.1.(c), delete: "any of the grounds in".

APP FM16. For S-ILR.1.1., substitute "The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP FM17. Delete S-ILR. 1.2. to S-ILR 4.5.

APP FM18. For E-ILRP.1.2, substitute:

"E-ILRP.1.2. The applicant must be in the UK with valid leave to remain as a partner under this Appendix (except that, where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, any current period of overstaying will be disregarded)."

APP FM19. For E-ILRP.1.5A, substitute:

"E-ILRP.1.5A. In calculating the periods under paragraph E-ILRP.1.3., any current period of overstaying will be disregarded where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies. Any previous period of overstaying between periods of leave will also be disregarded where: the further application was made before 24 November 2016 and within 28 days of the expiry of leave; or the

further application was made on or after 24 November 2016 and the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applied.".

APP FM20. After D-ECC.1.1., insert:

"D-ECC.1.1A. Where paragraph GEN 3.2(3) applies but the applicant does not meet the suitability paragraphs SUI 2.1., SUI 2.3., SUI 4.1., SUI 5.1. in Part Suitability, the application on Appendix FM will be refused."

APP FM21. After D-LTRC.1.1., insert:

"D-LTRC.1.1A. Where paragraph GEN 3.2(3) applies but the applicant does not meet the suitability paragraphs SUI 2.1., SUI 2.3., SUI 4.1., SUI 5.1. in Part Suitability, the application on Appendix FM will be refused."

APP FM22. In D-ECPT.1.2., for:

"If paragraph GEN.3.2.(3) applies to an applicant for entry clearance as a parent,"

substitute:

"Unless D-ECPT.1.2A. applies, if paragraph GEN.3.2.(3) applies to an applicant for entry clearance as a parent,".

APP FM23. After D-ECPT.1.2., insert:

"D-ECPT.1.2A. Where paragraph GEN 3.2.(3) applies but the applicant does not meet the suitability paragraphs SUI 2.1., SUI 2.3., SUI 4.1., SUI 5.1., in Part Suitability, the application on Appendix FM will be refused."

APP FM24. For E-LTRPT.3.2, substitute:

"E-LTRPT.3.2. The applicant must not be in the UK –

- (a) on immigration bail, unless:
  - (i) the Secretary of State is satisfied that the applicant arrived in the UK more than 6 months prior to the date of application; and
  - (ii) paragraph EX.1. applies; or

(b) in breach of immigration laws (except that, where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, any current period of overstaying will be disregarded), unless paragraph EX.1. applies.".

## APP FM25. In D-LTRPT.1.2., for:

"If the applicant meets the requirements in paragraph R-LTRPT.1.1.(a), (b) and (d) for limited leave to remain as a parent,"

substitute:

"Unless D-LTRPT.1.2A. applies, if the applicant meets the requirements in paragraph R-LTRPT.1.1.(a), (b) and (d) for limited leave to remain as a parent,".

#### APP FM26. After D-LTRPT.1.2., insert:

"D-LTRPT.1.2A. Where paragraph GEN 3.2(3) applies but the applicant does not meet the suitability paragraphs SUI 2.1., SUI 2.3., SUI 4.1., SUI 5.1. in Part Suitability, the application on Appendix FM will be refused."

#### APP FM27. For D-ILRPT.1.2., substitute:

"D-ILRPT.1.2. If the applicant does not meet the requirements for indefinite leave to remain as a parent as they have not demonstrated sufficient knowledge of the English language or about life in the United Kingdom in accordance with Appendix KoLL, subject to compliance with any requirement notified under paragraph GEN.1.15.(b), the applicant will be granted further limited leave to remain as a partner for a period not exceeding 30 months, and subject to a condition of no recourse to public funds."

APP FM28. In D-ILRPT.1.3., after "and does not qualify for further limited leave to remain under paragraph D-ILRPT.1.2." insert "or D-LTRPT.1.2A.".

#### APP FM29. For E-ILRPT.1.2, substitute:

"E-ILRPT.1.2. The applicant must be in the UK with valid leave to remain as a parent under this Appendix (except that, where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, any current period of overstaying will be disregarded).".

APP FM30. For E-ILRPT.1.5A, substitute:

"E-ILRPT.1.5A. In calculating the periods under paragraph E-ILRPT.1.3., any current period of overstaying will be disregarded where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies. Any previous period of overstaying between periods of leave will also be disregarded where: the further application was made before 24 November 2016 and within 28 days of the expiry of leave; or the further application was made on or after 24 November 2016 and the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applied."

#### **Changes to Appendix V: Visitor**

APP V1. For V 3.1, substitute:

"V 3.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP V2. For V 3.2, substitute:

"V 3.2. If applying for permission to stay the applicant must not be:

- (a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or
- (b) on immigration bail.".

#### Changes to Appendix Visitor: Visa national list

APP VN1. In VN 1.1(a), after "Bosnia Herzegovina" insert "Botswana".

APP VN2. In VN 1.1(a), after "Pakistan", insert "Palestine".

APP VN3. After VN 2.2(q), insert:

"(r) nationals or citizens of Botswana, who hold a confirmed booking to the UK made before 15:00 BST on 14 October 2025 where arrival in the UK is no later than 15:00 GMT on 25 November 2025.".

APP VN4. Delete VN 2.2.(q).

APP VN5. After VN 7.0, insert:

"Exception where the Visitor is a person aged 19 or under on an organised trip from a school in Germany

VN 8.0. Nationals or citizens of any country who are aged 19 or under, studying at a school or educational institution in Germany, the existence of which is confirmed by the relevant German municipal or competent authority, and seeking to enter the UK as part of a school party of 5 or more organised by that school or institution, do not need entry clearance before they travel to the UK as a Visitor.".

#### **Changes to Appendix Electronic Travel Authorisation**

APP ETA1. After ETA 1.9, insert:

"ETA 1.10. ETA Nationals who are aged 19 or under, studying at a school or educational institution in Germany, the existence of which is confirmed by the relevant German municipal or competent authority, and seeking to enter the UK as part of a school party of 5 or more organised by that school or institution, do not require an ETA before they travel to the UK as a Visitor."

APP ETA2. For ETA 2.4(a)(iv), substitute:

"(iv) the person left the UK voluntarily, not at the expense (directly or indirectly) of the Secretary of State, and the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies to the period of overstaying; or".

APP ETA3. For ETA 5.4(a)(iv), substitute:

"(iv) the person left the UK voluntarily, not at the expense (directly or indirectly) of the Secretary of State, and the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies to the period of overstaying; or".

#### **Changes to VIP Delegate Visa**

APP DEL1. For DEL 3.1, substitute:

"DEL 3.1. The decision maker must be satisfied that the applicant should not be refused under Part Suitability.".

#### **Changes to Appendix ETA National List**

APP ETANL1. In ETANL 1.1(c), delete "Botswana".

#### **Changes to Appendix Student**

APP ST1. For ST 2.1, substitute:

"ST 2.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

# APP ST2. For ST 2.2, substitute:

"ST 2.2. If the applicant is applying for permission to stay, they must not be:

- (a) in the UK in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or
- (b) on immigration bail.".

APP ST3. In ST 12.3(a), for "£1483", substitute "£1529".

APP ST4. In ST 12.3(b), for "£1136", substitute "£1171".

APP ST5. In ST 12.4., for "£1483", substitute "£1529".

APP ST6. For ST 26.8 substitute:

"A Student may be self-employed, if:

- (a) they have applied for permission on the Innovator Founder route; and
- (b) that application is supported by an endorsement from an Innovator Founder endorsing body; and
- (c) the application was made when the applicant had permission as a Student; and
- (d) a decision has not been made on the application, or where the application has been refused, any Administrative Review against a refusal has not been finally determined.".

#### APP ST7. For ST 29.1, substitute:

"ST 29.1. The suitability requirements for a partner or child on the Student route are that they must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

#### APP ST8. For ST 29.2, substitute:

"ST 29.2. A person applying for permission to stay must not be:

(a) in the UK in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or

(b) on immigration bail.".

## **Changes to Appendix Short-term Student (English language)**

APP STS1. For STS 2.1, substitute:

"STS 2.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

# **Changes to Appendix Child Student**

APP CS1. For CS 2.1, substitute:

"CS 2.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP CS2. For CS 2.2, substitute:

"CS 2.2. A person applying for permission to stay must not be:

- (a) in the UK in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or
- (b) on immigration bail.".

APP CS3. In CS 5A.2, substitute "anyone" with "any adult".

APP CS4. In CS 5A.3, substitute "anyone" with "any adult".

APP CS5. After CS 9.3., insert:

"CS 9.3A. If the Child Student will have a nominated guardian in the UK arranged through a guardianship organisation but does not have their details at the point of application, the named contact on the letter of undertaking from the guardianship organisation must be:

- (a) a British citizen: or
- (b) settled in the UK.".

APP CS6. For CS 9.4(g), substitute:

"(g) where the Child Student will be cared for by a nominated guardian, details of the name, date of birth, registered address, contact details and, if they have one, national insurance number, of any adult regularly living with the nominated guardian; and".

#### APP CS7. After CS 9.4., insert:

"CS 9.4A. Where the Child Student will have a nominated guardian in the UK arranged through a guardianship organisation but does not have their details at the point of application, the guardianship organisation must provide a letter of undertaking which contains the following information:

- the name and contact details of a member of staff at the guardianship organisation who is a British Citizen or settled in the UK; and
- the name and address of the guardianship organisation; and
- the date the guardianship organisation was established; and
- confirmation that all guardians that the organisation uses have a current enhanced Disclosure and Barring Check (England and Wales), Protecting Vulnerable Groups Scheme (Scotland) or Disclosure and Barring Check (Northern Ireland).".

#### APP CS8. For CS 9A.1., substitute:

"CS 9A.1. The parental consent letter or intended carer's letter of undertaking must confirm the applicant's living arrangements in the UK will be one of the following:

- (a) full, weekly, or flexi boarding at a residential independent school, and during the period they are not boarding at the school staying with:
  - (i) a nominated guardian (for a period of less than 28 continuous days) who is a British Citizen or settled in the UK; or
  - (ii) a private foster carer who is a British Citizen or settled in the UK: or
  - (iii)a close relative who is a British Citizen or settled in the UK: or
  - (iv)their parent who has permission as a Parent of a Child Student; or
- (b) living full time with a private foster carer or close relative who is a British Citizen or settled in the UK; or
- (c) living full time with a parent or legal guardian who has permission as a Parent of a Child Student; or
- (d) aged 16 or 17 and living independently.".

# APP CS9. For CS 10.2., substitute:

"CS 10.2. If the applicant is applying for entry clearance or for permission to stay where they have been in the UK for less than 12 months on the date of application, the applicant must show the following funds:

Living arrangements		Funds Required
Full, weekly, or flexi boarding at a		Sufficient funds to pay the
residential independent school, and		outstanding course fees and boarding
when the	y are not staying at the school	fees for one academic year.
living wit	th:	
(i)	a nominated guardian (for a	
	period of less than 28	
	continuous days) who is a	
	British Citizen or settled in	
	the UK; or	
(ii)	a private foster carer who is	
	a British Citizen or settled in	
	the UK; or	
(iii)	a close relative who is a	
	British Citizen or settled in	
	the UK; or	
(iv)	their parent who has	
	permission as a Parent of a	
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	Il time with a private foster	Sufficient funds to pay the
	lose relative who is a British	outstanding course fees for one
Citizen of	r settled in the UK.	academic year.
		The private foster carer or close
		relative must have funds of at least
		£570 per month for each month of
		the course up to the maximum of 9
I ivin ~ f.	11 time with a persent on least	months.
	Il time with a parent or legal who has permission as a Parent	Sufficient funds to pay the outstanding course fees for one
of a Chile		academic year and:
or a Cillic	i Student.	academic year and.
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		under the parent's care in the UK at the same time as the applicant, £1,560 per month for each month of the course up to maximum of 9 months; and b. if there are other children who are

	or will be under the parent's care in
	the UK at the same time as the
	applicant, £625 per month for each
	month of the course up to a
	maximum of 9 months for each
	child, other than the applicant, being
	cared for by the parent.
Aged 16 or 17 and living independently.	Sufficient funds to pay the
	outstanding course fees for one
	academic year and either:
	a. £1,334 for each month of the
	course up to a maximum of 9 months
	where studying in London; or
	b. £1,023 for each month of the
	course up to a maximum of 9 months
	where studying outside London.

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## Changes to Appendix Parent of a Child Student

APP PC1. For PC 2.1, substitute:

"PC 2.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability."

APP PC2. For PC 2.2, substitute:

"PC 2.2. If applying for permission to stay the applicant must be:

- (a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or
- (b) on immigration bail.".

# **Changes to Appendix Graduate**

APP GR1. For GR 2.1, substitute:

"GR 2.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP GR2. For GR 2.2, substitute:

"GR 2.2. The applicant must not be:

- (a) in the UK in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or
- (b) on immigration bail.".

## APP GR3. For GR 8.1., substitute:

"GR 8.1. The applicant will be granted the period of permission as set out in the table below:

Type of Qualification	Period granted from date of decision
PhD or other doctoral qualification	3 years
All other qualifications	2 years if the applicant has successfully completed a course at UK bachelor's degree or master's degree level, or another relevant qualification that meets the requirement of ST8.1/2/3 of the Rules, and the application is made before 1 January 2027.
All other qualifications	18 months if the applicant has successfully completed a course at UK bachelor's degree or master's degree level, or another relevant qualification that meets the requirement of ST8.1/2/3 of the Rules, and the application is made on or after 1 January 2027.

## APP GR4. For GR 10.1, substitute:

"GR 10.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

# APP GR5. For GR 10.2, substitute:

"GR 10.2. The applicant must not be:

(a) in the UK in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies,

that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or (b) on immigration bail.".

# **Changes to Appendix Skilled Worker**

APP SW1. For SW 2.1, substitute:

"SW 2.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP SW2. For SW 2.2, substitute:

"SW 2.2. If applying for permission to stay the applicant must not be:

- (a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or
- (b) on immigration bail.".
- APP SW3. In the table in SW4.1, for "level B1", substitute "level B2 or, where the applicant's most recent permission was as a Skilled Worker and which was granted subject to a requirement at level B1, level B1".
- APP SW4. For SW 4.2(b), substitute:
  - "(b) An applicant can only be awarded points from options F to J if:
    - (i) they are being sponsored for a Health and Care ASHE salary job; or
    - (ii) the date of application is before 4 April 2030, they were granted permission as a Skilled Worker under the rules in place before 4 April 2024, and they have had continuous permission as a Skilled Worker since then (except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded)."

#### APP SW5. For SW 6.1(d)-(e), substitute:

"(d) Table 1a, Table 2aa or Table 3a of Appendix Skilled Occupations if the applicant was granted permission as a Skilled Worker under the rules in place before 22 July 2025, and they have had continuous permission as a Skilled Worker since then (except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded); or

- (e) Table 2aa of Appendix Skilled Occupations, if the applicant is being awarded points under options F to J in the table following SW 4.4 and meets the requirement in SW 4.2(b)(ii); or
- (f) Table 2a of Appendix Skilled Occupations, if the applicant is being awarded points under options F to J in the table following SW 4.4, meets the requirement in SW 4.2(b)(ii), and is applying to work for the same sponsor as in their most recent permission."

#### APP SW6. For SW 6.1.B(b), substitute:

"(b) the applicant must have permission as a Skilled Worker, sponsored in either of these SOC 2020 occupations codes (or the SOC 2010 occupation codes "6145 Care workers and home carers" or "6146 Senior care workers") (except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded)."

## APP SW7. For SW 6.1C(b) substitute:

"(b) since then, has continuously had permission as a Skilled Worker, sponsored in either or both these SOC 2010 occupation codes, or SOC 2020 occupation codes "6135 Care workers and home carers" or "6136 Senior care workers" (except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded); and".

APP SW8. In SW 7.1, for "of at least level B1", substitute "to at least the level specified by SW 4.1".

APP SW9. For SW 20.1, substitute:

"SW 20.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

#### APP SW10. For SW 20.2, substitute:

"SW 20.2. The applicant must not be;

- (a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or
- (b) on immigration bail.".

APP SW11. For SW 27.1, substitute:

"SW 27.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP SW12. For SW 27.2, substitute:

"SW 27.2. If applying for permission to stay the applicant must not be:

- (a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or
- (b) on immigration bail.".

# APP SW13. For SW 29.1A(b), substitute:

"(b) since the grant of entry clearance or permission in (a), P has continuously had permission as a Skilled Worker, sponsored in one or more of these SOC 2010 occupation codes or SOC 2020 occupation codes (except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded)."

#### APP SW14. For SW 32A.2(a)(ii), substitute:

"(ii) a SOC 2020 occupation code listed in Table 1a, Table 2aa, Table 2a or Table 3a (or an equivalent SOC 2010 occupation code listed in any of those tables), other than "6135 Care workers and home carers" or "6136 Senior care workers", under the Rules in force before 22 July 2025;

and since that grant of entry clearance or permission, P has continuously had permission as a Skilled Worker, sponsored in one or more of these SOC 2010 occupation codes or SOC 2020 occupation codes (except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded); or".

APP SW15. For SW 38.1, substitute:

"SW 38.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP SW16. For SW 38.2, substitute:

"SW 38.2. The applicant must not be:

- (a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or
- (b) on immigration bail.".

# **Changes to Appendix Skilled Occupations**

- APP SO1. In the text above Table 1, after "Skilled Worker route." insert "This table relates to points options A-E set out in Appendix Skilled Worker.".
- APP SO2. In the text above Table 1a, after "RQF level 2." insert "This table relates to points options A-E set out in Appendix Skilled Worker.".
- APP SO3. In the text above Table 2, after "Scale-up routes." insert "This table relates to points options F-J set out in Appendix Skilled Worker.".
- APP SO4. In the text above Table 2aa, after "RQF level 2." insert "This table relates to points options F-J set out in Appendix Skilled Worker.".
- APP SO5. In the text above Table 2a, after "below RQF level 3." insert "This table relates to points options F-J set out in Appendix Skilled Worker.".
- APP SO6. In the text above Table 3a, for "Except where option D, option I or the Temporary Shortage List in SW 6.1A applies", substitute "Except for "6131 Nursing auxiliaries and assistants"".
- APP SO7. In the text above Table 4, for "Except where option D or the Temporary Shortage List in SW 6.1A applies", substitute "Except for "6131 Nursing auxiliaries and assistants".
- APP SO8. In Table 3a, in the row containing "6131 Nursing auxiliaries and assistants", for "registered nurse roles", substitute "registered nurse or other registered healthcare professional roles".

#### **Changes to Appendix Immigration Salary List**

APP ISL1. In the table, in the row containing "6131 Nursing auxiliaries and assistants", for "registered nurse roles", substitute "registered nurse or other registered healthcare professional roles".

#### Changes to Appendix Global Business Mobility –

APP GBM1. For SNR 2.1, substitute:

"SNR 2.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

#### APP GBM2. For SNR 2.2, substitute:

"SNR 2.2. If applying for permission to stay the applicant must not be

- (a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or
- (b) on immigration bail.".

#### APP GBM3. For SNR 6.7, substitute:

"SNR 6.7. If the date of application is before 4 April 2030, the applicant was granted permission as a Senior or Specialist Worker under the Rules in place before 4 April 2024, and they have had continuous permission as a Senior or Specialist Worker since then (except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded), they may be sponsored for a job in a SOC 2020 occupation code listed in Table 2b of Appendix Skilled Occupations."

## APP GBM4. For SNR 8.3, substitute:

"SNR 8.3. The applicant does not need to meet the general salary requirement if the applicant is applying for permission to stay and was previously granted permission as a Tier 2 (Intra-Company Transfer) Migrant under the rules in force before 6 April 2011, or as a Work Permit Holder and since then has continuously had permission as a Senior or Specialist Worker (including any period of overstaying disregarded under the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability)."

#### APP GBM5. For SNR 11.4, substitute:

"SNR 11.4. SNR 11.1. to SNR 11.3. do not apply and there is no maximum period of permission if the applicant is applying for permission to stay and was previously granted permission as a Tier 2 (Intra-Company Transfer) Migrant under the rules in force before 6 April 2011, or as a Work Permit Holder and since then has continuously had permission as a Senior or Specialist Worker (including any period of overstaying disregarded under the

Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability).".

APP GBM6. For SNR 13.1(b)(ii), substitute:

"(ii) if the applicant is applying for permission to stay and was previously granted permission on the Intra-Company routes under the rules in force before 11 April 2022 and since then has continuously had permission as a Senior or Specialist Worker (including any period of overstaying disregarded under the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability), supplementary employment is permitted; and".

APP GBM7. For SNR 13.5, substitute:

"SNR 13.5. The conditions referred to in SNR 13.4. are the applicant is applying for permission to stay and was previously granted permission as a Tier 2 (Intra-Company Transfer) Migrant under the rules in force before 6 April 2011, or as a Work Permit Holder and since then has continuously had permission as a Senior or Specialist Worker (including any period of overstaying disregarded under the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability)."

APP GBM8. For SNR 15.1, substitute:

"SNR 15.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP GBM9. For SNR 15.2, substitute:

"SNR 15.2. If applying for permission to stay the applicant must not be:

(a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or

(b) on immigration bail.".

APP GBM10. For GTR 2.1, substitute:

"GTR 2.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP GBM11. For GTR 2.2, substitute:

"GTR 2.2. If applying for permission to stay the applicant must not be:

(a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or

(b) on immigration bail.".

## APP GBM12. For GTR 6.1A, substitute:

"GTR 6.1A. If the date of application is before 4 April 2030, the applicant was granted permission as a Graduate Trainee under the Rules in place before 4 April 2024, and they have had continuous permission as a Graduate Trainee since then (except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded), they may be sponsored for a job in a SOC 2020 occupation code listed in Table 2b of Appendix Skilled Occupations."

# APP GBM13. For GTR 15.1, substitute:

"GTR 15.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

## APP GBM14. For GTR 15.2, substitute:

"GTR 15.2. If applying for permission to stay the applicant must not be:

(a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or

(b) on immigration bail.".

## APP GBM15. For UKX 2.1, substitute:

"UKX 2.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

# APP GBM16. For UKX 2.2, substitute:

"UKX 2.2. If applying for permission to stay the applicant must not be:

(a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the

Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or (b) on immigration bail.".

#### APP GBM17. For UKX 6.1A, substitute:

"UKX 6.1A. If the date of application is before 4 April 2030, the applicant was granted permission as a UK Expansion Worker under the rules in place before 4 April 2024, and they have had continuous permission as a UK Expansion Worker since then (except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded), they may be sponsored for a job in a SOC 2020 occupation code listed in Table 2b of Appendix Skilled Occupations."

## APP GBM18. For UKX 15.1, substitute:

"UKX 15.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

## APP GBM19. For UKX 15.2, substitute:

"UKX 15.2. If applying for permission to stay the applicant must not be:

- (a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or
- (b) on immigration bail.".

#### APP GBM20. For SSU 2.1, substitute:

"SSU 2.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

#### APP GBM21. For SSU 2.2, substitute:

"SSU 2.2. If applying for permission to stay the applicant must not be:

- (a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or
- (b) on immigration bail.".

#### APP GBM22. For SSU 6.1A, substitute:

"SSU 6.1A. If the date of application is before 4 April 2030, the applicant was granted permission as a Service Supplier under the rules in place before 4 April 2024, and they have had continuous permission as a Service Supplier since then (except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded), they may be sponsored for a job in a SOC 2020 occupation code listed in Table 2b of Appendix Skilled Occupations."

#### APP GBM23. For SSU 15.1, substitute:

"SSU 15.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

### APP GBM24. For SSU 15.2, substitute:

"SSU 15.2. If applying for permission to stay the applicant must not be:

(a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or (b) on immigration bail."

#### APP GBM25. For SEC 2.1, substitute:

"SEC 2.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

#### APP GBM26. For SEC 2.2, substitute:

"SEC 2.2. If applying for permission to stay the applicant must not be:

(a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or (b) on immigration bail.".

### APP GBM27. For SEC 6.1A, substitute:

"SEC 6.1A. If the date of application is before 4 April 2030, the applicant was granted permission as a Secondment Worker under

the Rules in place before 4 April 2024, and they have had continuous permission as a Secondment Worker since then (except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded), they may be sponsored for a job in a SOC 2020 occupation code listed in Table 2b of Appendix Skilled Occupations.".

APP GBM28. For SEC 13.1, substitute:

"SEC 13.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP GBM29. For SEC 13.2, substitute:

"SEC 13.2. If applying for permission to stay the applicant must not be:

- (a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or
- (b) on immigration bail.".

## **Changes to Appendix T2 Minister of Religion**

APP MOR1. For MOR 2.1, substitute:

"MOR 2.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP MOR2. For MOR 2.2, substitute:

"MOR 2.2. If applying for permission to stay the applicant must not be:

- (a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or
- (b) on immigration bail.".

APP MOR3. For MOR 12.1, substitute:

"MOR 12.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP MOR4. For MOR 12.2, substitute:

"MOR 12.2. The applicant must not be:

(a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or

(b) on immigration bail.".

APP MOR5. For MOR 19.1, substitute:

"MOR 19.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP MOR6. For MOR 19.2, substitute:

"MOR 19.2. If applying for permission to stay the applicant must not be:

(a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or

(b) on immigration bail.".

APP MOR7. For MOR 29.1, substitute:

"MOR 29.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP MOR8. For MOR 29.2, substitute:

"MOR 29.2. The applicant must not be:

(a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or

(b) on immigration bail.".

#### Changes to Appendix Representative of an Overseas Business

APP ROB1. For ROB 2.1, substitute:

"ROB 2.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP ROB2. For ROB 2.2, substitute:

"ROB 2.2. If applying for permission to stay the applicant must not be:

(a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or

(b) on immigration bail.".

APP ROB3. For ROB 13.1, substitute:

"ROB 13.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP ROB4. For ROB 13.2, substitute:

"ROB 13.2. The applicant must not be:

(a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or

(b) on immigration bail.".

APP ROB5. For ROB 21.1, substitute:

"ROB 21.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP ROB6. For ROB 21.2, substitute:

"ROB 21.2. If applying for permission to stay the applicant must not be:

(a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or

(b) on immigration bail.".

APP ROB7. For ROB 32.1, substitute:

"ROB 32.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP ROB8. For ROB 32.2, substitute:

"ROB 32.2. The applicant must not be:

(a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or

(b) on immigration bail.".

## **Changes to Appendix UK Ancestry**

APP UKA1. For UKA 2.1, substitute:

"UKA 2.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP UKA2. For UKA 2.2, substitute:

"UKA 2.2. If applying for permission to stay, the applicant must not be:

(a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or

(b) on immigration bail.".

APP UKA3. For UKA 11.1, substitute:

"UKA 11.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP UKA4. For UKA 11.2, substitute:

"UKA 11.2. The applicant must not be:

(a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or

(b) on immigration bail.".

APP UKA5. For UKA 19.1, substitute:

"UKA 19.1. The suitability requirements for a dependent partner or dependent child on the UK Ancestry route are that they must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP UKA6. For UKA 19.2, substitute:

## "UKA 19.2. The applicant must not be:

- (a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or
- (b) on immigration bail.".

#### APP UKA7. For UKA 29.1, substitute:

"UKA 29.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

## APP UKA8. For UKA 29.2, substitute:

"UKA 29.2. The applicant must not be:

- (a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or
- (b) on immigration bail.".

## **Changes to Appendix Global Talent**

- APP GT1. In GTE 4.3(b) for "for their individual work", substitute "for their work as an individual or as a named member of a group or as a contributor".
- APP GT2. In GTE 4.3(c) after "in the applicant's field", insert ", for their work as an individual or as a named member of a group or as a contributor".
- APP GT3. For GTE 4.4(a), substitute
  - "(a) evidence of winning, or significantly contributing to winning, or significantly contributing to being nominated or shortlisted for, or being nominated or shortlisted for, at least 1 international award for excellence in the last 5 years; or".
- APP GT4. For GTE 4.4(b), for "for their individual work or their work as a contributor", substitute "for their work as an individual or as a named member of a group or as a contributor".
- APP GT5. For GTE 4.4(c) after "in the applicant's field", insert "for their work as an individual or as a named member of a group or as a contributor".

APP GT6. For GT 2.1, substitute:

"GT 2.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP GT7. For GT 2.2, substitute:

"GT 2.2. If applying for permission to stay the applicant must not be:

- (a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or
- (b) on immigration bail".

APP GT8. For GT 9.1, substitute:

"GT 9.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP GT9. For GT 9.2, substitute:

"GT 9.2. The applicant must not be:

- (a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or
- (b) on immigration bail.".

APP GT10. For GT 17.1, substitute:

"GT 17.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP GT11. For GT 17.2, substitute:

"GT 17.2. If applying for permission to stay the applicant must not be:

- (a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or
- (b) on immigration bail.".

APP GT12. For GT 26.1, substitute:

"GT 26.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

# APP GT13. For GT 26.2, substitute:

"GT 26.2. The applicant must not be:

- (a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or
- (b) on immigration bail.".

# **Changes to Appendix GT: Prestigious prizes**

APP GTP1. In Table 1: Arts and culture prizes, delete:

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Tony Award – Best Play	The American Theatre Wing and
Author	The Broadway League

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# APP GTP2. For Table 5: Digital technology prizes, substitute:

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Qualifying Prize	Name of Awarding Body
ACM Prize in Computing	Association for Computing Machinery (ACM)
BCS Lovelace Medal	British Computing Society
Computer Pioneer Award in Honor Women of the ENIAC Computer Pioneer Award	IEEE Computer Society
Eckert-Mauchly Award	Association for Computing Machinery (ACM) & IEEE Computer Society
Gödel Prize	European Association for Theoretical Computer Science

	(EATCS) and Special Interest Group on Algorithms and Computation Theory of the Association for Computing Machinery (ACM SIGACT)
IEEE John von Neumann Medal	Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE)
Ken Kennedy Award	Association for Computing Machinery (ACM) & IEEE Computer Society
Turing Award	Association for Computing Machinery (ACM)
W. Wallace McDowell Award	IEEE Computer Society

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APP GTP3. For Table 6: Science, engineering, humanities, social science and medicine prizes, substitute:

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Qualifying Prize	Name of Awarding Body
Abel Prize	Norwegian Academy of Science and Letters
AF Harvey Engineering Research Prize	Institution of Engineering and Technology
Albert Lasker Basic Medical Research Award	Lasker Foundation
Annual Review Prize Lecture	Physiological Society
Bakerian Medal and Lecture	Royal Society
Balzan Prize	International Balzan Prize

	Foundation
Benjamin Franklin Medal	Franklin Institute
Berggruen Prize for Philosophy and Culture	Berggruen Institute
Breakthrough Prize in Fundamental Physics	Breakthrough Prize Board
Breakthrough Prize in Life Sciences	Breakthrough Prize Board
Breakthrough Prize in Mathematics	Breakthrough Prize Board
Blue Planet Prize	Asahi Glass Foundation
Cadman Award	Energy Institute
Canada Gairdner International Award	Gairdner Foundation
Centenary Prize	Royal Society of Chemistry
Charles Stark Draper Prize for Engineering	US National Academy of Engineering
Copley Medal	Royal Society
Crafoord Prize	Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences and Crafoord Foundation
Croonian Medal and Lecture	Royal Society
Davis Medal	IChemE
Distinguished Fellowship	British Computing Society

Ewald Prize	International Union of Crystallography
Faraday Medal	Institution of Engineering and Technology
Fields Medal	International Mathematical Union
Fritz J. and Dolores H. Russ Prize	National Academy of Engineering
Fyssen Internation Prize	Fondation Fyssen
Gold Medal	Institution of Civil Engineers
Gruber Cosmology Prize	Gruber Foundation
Gruber Genetics Prize	Gruber Foundation
Gruber Neuroscience Prize	Gruber Foundation
Holberg Prize	Holberg Committee
Honorary Membership	British Ecological Society
Humboldt Research Award	Alexander von Humboldt Foundation
IEEE Medal of Honor	Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE)
IJCAI Award for Research Excellence	International Joint Conferences on Artificial Intelligence Organisation (IJCAI)
INCOSE Pioneer Award	International Council on Systems Engineering
IMU Abacus Medal	International Mathematical Union

Individual Gold Medal	Royal Aeronautical Society
International Award	Biochemical Society
International Medal	Institution of Civil Engineers
Isaac Newton Medal and Award	Institute of Physics
IStructE Gold Medal	Institution of Structural Engineers
J J Thompson Medal for Electronics	Institution of Engineering and Technology
James Clayton Prize	Institution of Mechanical Engineers
James Watt International Gold Medal	Institution of Mechanical Engineering
Japan Prize	The Japan Prize Foundation
John W. Kluge Prize for Achievement in the Study of Humanity	John W. Kluge Centre
Kavli Prize in Astrophysics	The Kavli Foundation
Kavli Prize in Nanoscience	The Kavli Foundation
Kavli Prize in Neuroscience	The Kavli Foundation
Klaus J. Jacobs Research Prize	Jacobs Foundation
King Faisal Prize – Medicine	King Faisal International Fund
King Faisal Prize - Science	King Faisal International Fund
Kyoto Prize – Advanced Technology	Inamori Foundation

Kyoto Prize – Basic Science	Inamori Foundation
Kyoto Prize – Arts and Philosophy	Inamori Foundation
Lagrange-CRT Foundation Prize	CRT Foundation and ISI Foundation
Lasker-Bloomberg Public Service Award	Lasker Foundation
Lasker-Debakey Clinical Medical Research Award	Lasker Foundation
Lasker-Koshland Special Achievement Award in Medical Science	Lasker Foundation
L'Oréal-UNESCO Award for Women in Science	L'Oréal-UNESCO
Louis-Jeantet Prize	The Louis-Jeantet Foundation
Marconi Prize	Marconi Society
Melchett Award	Energy Institute
Mensforth Manufacturing Gold Medal	Institution of Engineering and Technology
Millennium Technology Prize	Technology Academy Finland
Mountbatten Medal	Institution of Engineering and Technology
Nine Dots Prize	Kadas Prize Foundation
Nobel Prize - Chemistry	The Royal Swedish Academy of

	Sciences
Nobel Prize - Economic Science	The Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences
Nobel Prize - Literature	The Swedish Academy
Nobel Prize - Medicine	Nobel Assembly at Karolinska Institutet
Nobel Prize - Physics	The Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences
President's Award	Energy Institute
Prince Phillip Medal	Royal Academy of Engineering
Princess Royal Silver Medal	Royal Academy of Engineering
Queen Elizabeth Prize for Engineering	The Queen Elizabeth Prize for Engineering Foundation
Rayleigh Medal	Institute of Acoustics
Robert Koch Award	Robert Koch Foundation
Robert Koch Gold Medal	Robert Koch Foundation
Royal Medals (the King's Medals)	Royal Society
Shaw Prize in Astronomy	Shaw Prize Foundation
Shaw Prize in Life Science & Medicine	Shaw Prize Foundation
Shaw Prize in Mathematical Sciences	Shaw Prize Foundation
Vane Medal	British Pharmacological Society

W H Pierce Prize	Society for Applied Microbiology
Wolf Prize - Agriculture	Wolf Foundation
Wolf Prize - Arts	Wolf Foundation
Wolf Prize – Chemistry	Wolf Foundation
Wolf Prize – Mathematics	Wolf Foundation
Wolf Prize - Medicine	Wolf Foundation
Wolf Prize - Physics	Wolf Foundation

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# **Changes to Appendix High Potential Individual (HPI)**

APP HPI1. In the introductory text, after "unsponsored route" insert:

"and is capped at a maximum of 8,000 applications a year.

The allocation year for this route operates between 1 November - 31 October each year.".

APP HPI2. After HPI 1.6, insert:

"HPI 1.6A The number of applications (for both entry clearance and permission to stay) must not have exceeded 8,000, the annual total allocation of places for the route (where the annual period begins on 1 November and ends on 31 October of each year)."

APP HPI3. For HPI 2.1, substitute:

"HPI 2.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP HPI4. For HPI 2.2, substitute:

"HPI 2.2. If applying for permission to stay the applicant must not be:

(a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or

(b) on immigration bail.".

APP HPI5. In the table in HPI 4.1, for "level B1", substitute "level B2.".

APP HPI6. In HPI 6.1, for "of at least level B1", substitute "to at least the level specified by HPI 4.1".

APP HPI7. In HPI 9.2(d) after "study" insert "or research".

APP HPI8. For HPI 11.1, substitute:

"HPI 11.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP HPI9. For HPI 11.2, substitute:

"HPI 11.2. If applying for permission to stay the applicant must not be:

- (a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or
- (b) on immigration bail.".

# **Changes to Appendix Scale-Up**

APP SCU1. For SCU 2.1, substitute:

"SCU 2.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP SCU2. For SCU 2.2, substitute:

"SCU 2.2. If applying for permission to stay the applicant must not be:

- (a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or
- (b) on immigration bail.".

APP SCU3. In the table in SCU 4.3, for "level B1", substitute "level B2 or, where

the applicant's most recent permission was as a Scale-up worker and which was granted subject to a requirement at level B1, level B1".

APP SCU4. For SCU 4.3(b)(ii), substitute:

"(ii) if the applicant is applying for permission to stay, the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies.".

APP SCU5. In SCU 9.1, for "of at least the level B1", substitute "to at least the level specified by SCU 4.3".

APP SCU6. For SCU 14.1, substitute:

"SCU 14.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP SCU7. For SCU 14.2, substitute:

"SCU 14.2. The applicant must not be:

- (a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or
- (b) on immigration bail.".

APP SCU8. For SCU 21.1, substitute:

"SCU 21.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability."

APP SCU9. For SCU 21.2, substitute:

"SCU 21.2. If applying for permission to stay the applicant must not be:

- (a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or
- (b) on immigration bail.".

APP SCU10. For SCU 31.1, substitute:

"SCU 31.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

# APP SCU11. For SCU 31.2, substitute:

"SCU 31.2. The applicant must not be:

- (a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or
- (b) on immigration bail.".

# **Changes to Appendix Start-up**

APP SU1. For SU 2.1, substitute:

"SU 2.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP SU2. For SU 2.2, substitute:

"SU 2.2. If applying for permission to stay the applicant must not be:

- (a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or
- (b) on immigration bail.".

APP SU3. For SU 14.1, substitute:

"SU 14.1. The suitability requirements for a partner or child on the Start-up route are that they must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability".

APP SU4. For SU 14.2, substitute:

"SU 14.2. If applying for permission to stay the applicant must not be:

- (a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or
- (b) on immigration bail.".

# **Changes to Appendix Innovator Founder**

APP INNF1. For INNF 2.1, substitute:

"INNF 2.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part

Suitability.".

# APP INNF2. For INNF 2.2, substitute:

"INNF 2.2. If applying for permission to stay the applicant must not be:

- (a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or
- (b) on immigration bail.".

# APP INNF3. For INNF 16.1, substitute:

"INNF 16.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

# APP INNF4. For INNF 16.2, substitute:

"INNF 16.2. The applicant must not be:

- (a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or
- (b) on immigration bail.".

# APP INNF5. For INNF 23.1, substitute:

"INNF 23.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

# APP INNF6. For INNF 23.2, substitute:

"INNF 23.2. If applying for permission to stay the applicant must not be

- (a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or
- (b) on immigration bail.".

# APP INNF7. For INNF 33.1, substitute:

"INNF 33.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

# APP INNF8. For INNF 33.2, substitute:

"INNF 33.2. The applicant must not be:

- (a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or
- (b) on immigration bail.".

# **Changes to Appendix International Sportsperson**

APP ISP1. For ISP 2.1, substitute:

"ISP 2.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP ISP2. For ISP 2.2, substitute:

"ISP 2.2. If applying for permission to stay, the applicant must not be:

- (a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or
- (b) on immigration bail.".

APP ISP3. For ISP 13.1, substitute:

"ISP 13.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP ISP4. For ISP 13.2, substitute:

"ISP 13.2. The applicant must not be:

- (a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or
- (b) on immigration bail.".

APP ISP5. For ISP 21.1, substitute:

"ISP 21.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP ISP6. For ISP 21.2, substitute:

"ISP 21.2. If applying for permission to stay the applicant must not be:

- (a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or
- (b) on immigration bail.".

APP ISP7. For ISP 31.1, substitute:

"ISP 31.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP ISP8. For ISP 31.2, substitute:

"ISP 31.2. The applicant must not be:

- (a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or
- (b) on immigration bail.".

# **Changes to Appendix Sports Governing Bodies**

APP SGB1. In the list of governing bodies, after "Kabaddi" insert new entry:

Kendo British Kendo Association

APP SGB2. In the list of governing bodies, after "Wheelchair Basketball" insert new entry:

Wheelchair Rugby (England, Scotland, Wales)

Great Britain Wheelchair Rugby

**Changes to Appendix Overseas Domestic Worker** 

APP ODW1. For ODW 2.1, substitute:

"ODW 2.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part

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Suitability.".

# **Changes to Appendix Domestic Workers in a Private Household**

APP DW1. For DW 2.1, substitute:

"DW 2.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP DW2. For DW 2.2, substitute:

"DW 2.2. The applicant must not be in the UK in breach of immigration laws except that, where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, any current period of overstaying will be disregarded."

APP DW3. For DW 8.1, substitute:

"DW 8.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP DW4. For DW 8.2, substitute:

"DW 8.2. The applicant must not be in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded.".

APP DW5. For DW 15.1, substitute:

"DW 15.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP DW6. For DW 15.2, substitute:

"DW 15.2. If applying for permission to stay the applicant must not be:

- (a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or
- (b) on immigration bail.".

APP DW7. For DW 24.1, substitute:

"DW 24.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part

Suitability.".

APP DW8. For DW 24.2, substitute:

"DW 24.2. The applicant must not be:

- (a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or
- (b) on immigration bail.".

# Changes to Appendix Domestic Worker who is a Victim of Modern Slavery

APP DWMS1. For DWMS 2.1, substitute:

"DWMS 2.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP DWMS2. For DWMS 2.2, substitute:

"DWMS 2.2. Any relevant period of overstaying to which the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies will be disregarded.".

# Changes to Appendix Temporary Work - Seasonal Worker

APP TWSW1. In the second paragraph below the Immigration Rules Appendix title, for "12-month", substitute "10-month".

APP TWSW2. For SAW 2.1, substitute:

"SAW 2.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP TWSW3. After SAW 3.1, insert:

"SAW3.2. An applicant applying for entry clearance must not have been in the UK as a Seasonal Worker during the 4 months immediately before the date of application.".

APP TWSW4. In paragraph SAW 7.1(a)(i), for "12-month", substitute "10-month".

# Changes to Appendix Temporary Work - Youth Mobility Scheme

APP YMS1. For YMS 2.1, substitute:

"YMS 2.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP YMS2. For YMS 2.2, substitute:

"YMS 2.2. If applying for permission to stay the applicant must not be:

- (a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or
- (b) on immigration bail.".

# Changes to Appendix Temporary Work - Creative Worker

APP CRV1. For CRV 2.1, substitute:

"CRV 2.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP CRV2. For CRV 2.2, substitute:

"CRV 2.2. If applying for permission to stay the applicant must not be:

- (a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or
- (b) on immigration bail.".

APP CRV3. For CRV 11.1, substitute:

"CRV 11.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP CRV4. For CRV 11.2, substitute:

"CRV 11.2. If applying for permission to stay the applicant must not be:

- (a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or
- (b) on immigration bail.".

# Changes to Appendix Temporary Work - Religious Worker

APP RW1. For RW 2.1, substitute:

"RW 2.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP RW2. For RW 2.2, substitute:

"RW 2.2. If applying for permission to stay the applicant must not be:

- (a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or
- (b) on immigration bail.".

APP RW3. For RW 10.1, substitute:

"RW 10.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP RW4. For RW 10.2, substitute:

"RW 10.2. If applying for permission to stay the applicant must not be:

- (a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or
- (b) on immigration bail.".

# **Changes to Appendix Temporary Work - Charity Worker**

APP CW1. For CW 2.1, substitute:

"CW 2.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP CW2. For CW 2.2, substitute:

"CW 2.2. If applying for permission to stay the applicant must not be:

(a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or

(b) on immigration bail.".

APP CW3. For CW 10.1, substitute:

"CW 10.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP CW4. For CW 10.2, substitute:

"CW 10.2. If applying for permission to stay the applicant must not be:

- (a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or"
- (b) on immigration bail.".

# Changes to Appendix Temporary Work – International Agreement

APP IA1. For IA 2.1, substitute:

"IA 2.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP IA2. For IA 2.2, substitute:

"IA 2.2. If applying for permission to stay the applicant must not be:

- (a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or
- (b) on immigration bail.".

APP IA3. For IA 23.1, substitute:

"IA 23.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP IA4. For IA 23.2, substitute:

"IA 23.2. If applying for permission to stay the applicant must not be:

- (a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or
- (b) on immigration bail.".

# **Changes to Appendix Government Authorised Exchange**

APP GAE1. For GAE 2.1, substitute:

"GAE 2.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP GAE2. For GAE 2.2, substitute:

"GAE 2.2. If applying for permission to stay the applicant must not be:

- (a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or
- (b) on immigration bail.".

APP GAE3. For GAE 11.2(c), substitute:

"(c) the difference between 25 months and the duration of the period during which the applicant has already held continuous permission on the Government Authorised Exchange route, including any period where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applied.".

APP GAE4. For GAE 13.1, substitute:

"GAE 13.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP GAE5. For GAE 13.2, substitute:

"GAE 13.2. If applying for permission to stay the applicant must not be:

- (a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or
- (b) on immigration bail.".

# **Changes to Appendix Government Authorised Exchange schemes**

APP GAES1. In the list of schemes, under the entry for "BUNAC Blue Card Internships – 'Intern in Britain'", in the "Name of scheme" column, for:

"BUNAC Blue Card Internships - 'Intern in Britain'",

substitute:

"BUNAC – Intern UK".

APP GAES2. In the list of schemes, delete the entry for "Khebrat Leadership for Change Programme".

APP GAES3. In the list of schemes, under the entry for "Law Society GAE scheme for migrant lawyers", in the "Name of scheme" column, for:

"Law Society GAE scheme for migrant lawyers",

substitute:

"The Law Society GAE Scheme".

# **Changes to Appendix Hong Kong British National (Overseas)**

APP HK1. For HK 2.1, substitute:

"HK 2.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP HK2. For HK 2.2, substitute:

"HK 2.2. If applying for permission to stay the applicant must not be:

- (a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or
- (b) on immigration bail, except where they have been placed on immigration bail after making an asylum claim in the UK.".

APP HK3. For HK 11.1, substitute:

"HK 11.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP HK4. For HK 11.2, substitute:

"HK 11.2. If applying for permission to stay the applicant must not be:

- (a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or
- (b) on immigration bail, except where they have been placed on such bail after making an asylum claim in the UK.".

# APP HK5. For HK 24.1, substitute:

"HK 24.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

# APP HK6. For HK 24.2, substitute:

"HK 24.2. If applying for permission to stay the applicant must not be:

- (a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or
- (b) on immigration bail, except where they have been placed on such bail after making an asylum claim in the UK.".

# APP HK7. For HK 33.1, substitute:

"HK 33.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

# APP HK8. For HK 33.2, substitute:

"HK 33.2. If applying for permission to stay the applicant must not be:

- (a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or
- (b) on immigration bail, except where they have been placed on such bail after making an asylum claim in the UK.".

# APP HK9. For HK 46.1, substitute:

"HK 46.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

# APP HK10. For HK 46.2, substitute:

"HK 46.2. If applying for permission to stay the applicant must not be:

- (a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or
- (b) on immigration bail, except where they have been placed on such bail after making an asylum claim in the UK.".

# APP HK11. For HK 56.1, substitute:

"HK 56.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

# APP HK12. For HK 56.2, substitute:

"HK 56.2 The applicant must not be:

- (a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or
- (b) on immigration bail, except where they have been placed on such bail after making an asylum claim in the UK.".

# **Changes to Appendix Ukraine Scheme**

### APP UKR1. For UKR 12.1, substitute:

- "UKR 12.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under any of the following paragraphs of Part 9 Suitability:
  - (a) SUI 2.1. to SUI 2.2. (exclusion or deportation orders); or
  - (b) SUI 3.1. to SUI 3.2. (non-conducive); or
  - (c) SUI 4.1. to SUI 4.2. (exclusion from asylum or humanitarian protection); or
  - (d) SUI 5.1. to SUI 5.5. (criminality); or
  - (e) SUI 8.1. to SUI 8.2. (involvement in sham marriage or sham civil partnership); or
  - (f) SUI 9.1., SUI 10.1. and SUI 10.2. (false representations and deception); or
  - (g) SUI 11.1. to SUI 11.8. (previous breach of immigration laws); or
  - (h) SUI 14.1. to SUI 14.2. (failure to provide required information); or
  - (i) SUI 15.1. to SUI 15.2. (admissibility to the Common Travel Area or other countries); or
  - (j) SUI 20.1. to SUI 24.2. and SUI 28.1. to 9.29.1. (grounds for refusal and cancellation on arrival).".

APP UKR2. In UKR 29.4, after "if the applicant" insert "is a child who".

# APP UKR3. For UKR 30.1, substitute:

"UKR 30.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under any of the following paragraphs of Part Suitability:

- (a) SUI 2.1. to SUI 2.2. (exclusion or deportation orders); or
- (b) SUI 3.1. to SUI 3.2. (non-conducive); or
- (c) SUI 4.1. to SUI 4.2. (exclusion from asylum or humanitarian protection); or
- (d) SUI 5.1. to SUI 5.5. (criminality); or
- (e) SUI 8.1. to SUI 8.2. (involvement in sham marriage or sham civil partnership); or
- (f) SUI 9.1., SUI 10.1. and SUI 10.2. (false representations and deception); or
- (g) SUI 11.1. to SUI 11.8. (previous breach of immigration laws); or
- (h) SUI 14.1. to SUI 14.2. (failure to provide required information); or
- (i) SUI 15.1. to SUI 15.2. (admissibility to the Common Travel Area or other countries); or
- (j) SUI 20.1. to SUI 24.2. and SUI 28.1. to 9.29.1. (grounds for refusal and cancellation on arrival).".

#### APP UKR4. For UKR 30.2, substitute:

"UKR 30.2. A period of overstaying will be disregarded for the purpose of Part Suitability if the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies.".

APP UKR5. In UKR 31.1(b)(iii), for "scheme leave" substitute "Scheme permission".

# APP UKR6. For UKR 31.1(c), substitute:

"(c) an individual who is the parent of a child who:

- (i) was born in the UK or Islands and is in the UK or Islands with permission under Appendix Ukraine Scheme or the equivalent permission in the Islands; or
- (ii) was born in the UK or Islands and meets the criteria at UKR 29.4 and who would, if they made an application, be eligible for permission under Appendix Ukraine Scheme; or".

- APP UKR7. In UKR 31.1(d), after "in the UK" insert "or Islands".
- APP UKR8. In UKR 31.2, after "in the UK" insert "or Islands".
- APP UKR9. In UKR 32.1, after "relationship as the" insert "non-Ukrainian".
- APP UKR10. In UKR 33.1(b), for "UK." substitute "UK; or".
- APP UKR11. After UKR 33.1(b), insert:
  - "(c) were born in the UK or Islands pursuant to UKR 31.1(d) to a Ukrainian national parent with permission under UKR 29.3(a).".
- APP UKR12. In UKR 37.1(b)(i), after "child whose parent" insert "or legal guardian".
- APP UKR13. In UKR 37.1(b)(i), after "with that parent" insert "or legal guardian".
- APP UKR14. In UKR 37.1(b)(ii), after "child whose parent" insert "or legal guardian".
- APP UKR15. In UKR 37.1(b)(ii), after "Appendix Ukraine Scheme" insert "and is in the UK".

# Changes to Appendix Afghan Relocation and Assistance Policy (ARAP)

- APP ARAP1. For ARAP 2.1, substitute:
  - "ARAP 2.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".
- APP ARAP2. For ARAP 9.1, substitute:
  - "ARAP 9.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

# Changes to Appendix UK/European Applicant Transfer Scheme

- APP UEATS1. For UEATS 2.3(g), substitute:
  - "(g) the applicant must not have declared any information on their Expression of Interest application form that could lead to a refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP UEATS2. For UEATS 3.1, substitute:

"UEATS 3.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

# **Changes to Appendix Temporary Permission to Stay for Victims of Human Trafficking or Slavery**

APP VTS1. For VTS 1.1., substitute:

"VTS 1.1. An applicant for an extension of temporary permission to stay as a victim of Human Trafficking or Slavery must meet the following validity requirements:

- (a) the applicant must have been served with a positive conclusive grounds decision (as defined by Section 69 (1) of the Nationality and Borders Act 2022); and
- (b) the applicant must have permission to stay as a victim of Human Trafficking or Slavery, or as a child of a victim of Human Trafficking or Slavery; and
- (c) the applicant must apply using the correct method as follows:
  - (i) if applying on the basis of VTS 3.1.(a) or VTS 3.1.(b) or any combination of VTS 3.1.(a)-(c), the applicant must apply on the specified form on the gov.uk website: FLR (HRO); or
  - (ii) if applying solely on the basis of VTS 3.1(c) the applicant must apply directly to the relevant Competent Authority as set out on the gov.uk website: Temporary permission to stay for victims of human trafficking and slavery; and
- (d) any required fee must have been paid; and
- (e) the applicant must be in the UK on the date of application.".

APP VTS2. For VTS 10.1(b), substitute:

"(b) paragraphs SUI 2.2, SUI 3.2, SUI 4.2, SUI 5.2, SUI 5.5, SUI 10.2, SUI 24.1, SUI 24.2, SUI 28.1 or SUI 29.1. of Part Suitability apply.".

# **Changes to Appendix Family Reunion (Sponsors with Protection)**

APP FRP1. For FRP 2.1, substitute:

"FRP 2.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part

Suitability.".

# **Changes to Appendix Child Relative (Sponsors with Protection)**

APP CRP1. For CRP 2.1, substitute:

"CRP 2.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability."

APP CRP2. For CRP 11.1, substitute:

"CRP 11.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

# **Changes to Appendix Adult Dependant Relative**

APP ADR1. For ADR 2.1., substitute:

"ADR 2.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP ADR2. For ADR 2.2., substitute:

"ADR 2.2. If applying for permission to stay, the applicant must not be:

- (a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or
- (b) on immigration bail.".

APP ADR3. For ADR 11.1., substitute:

"ADR 11.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP ADR4. For ADR 11.2., substitute:

"ADR 11.2. The applicant must not be:

- (a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or
- (b) on immigration bail.".

APP ADR5. Delete ADR 11.3.

APP ADR6. In ADR 11.4., for "have been convicted of an offence in the UK or overseas for which they have been sentenced to imprisonment for less than 12 months," substitute "fall for refusal under SUI 5.3. of Part Suitability,".

APP ADR7. For ADR 11.5., substitute:

"ADR 11.5. Where any of the following have occurred, the applicant must be refused settlement unless the applicant has completed a continuous qualifying period of 10 years with permission, and has completed 5 years continuous residence with such permission after the date of the first grant of permission after the suitability ground came to the attention of the decision maker:

- (a) involvement in a sham marriage or civil partnership (SUI 8.1. of Part Suitability); or
- (b) use of false documents or information or deception (SUI 9.1. and SUI 10.1. of Part Suitability); or
- (c) litigation debt owed to the Home Office, unless the debt has been paid (SUI 17.1. of Part Suitability); or
- (d) debt to the NHS, unless the debt has been paid, or the total value of outstanding charges is under £500 (SUI 16.1. of Part Suitability); or
- (e) the applicant has breached the conditions of their permission (SUI 11.1. of Part Suitability).".

# **Changes to Appendix Long Residence**

APP LR1. For LR 2.1, substitute:

"LR 2.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability".

APP LR2. For LR 2.2, substitute:

"LR 2.2. The applicant must not be:

- (a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded (although it will not count towards the qualifying period); or
- (b) on immigration bail.".

APP LR3. For LR 3.2, substitute:

- "LR 3.2. The following periods will not count towards the qualifying period for Long Residence:
  - (a) time spent on immigration bail, temporary admission or temporary release; and
  - (b) any period of overstaying between periods of permission before 24 November 2016, even if a further application was made within 28 days of the expiry of the previous permission; and
  - (c) any period of overstaying between periods of permission on or after 24 November 2016 even if the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies to that period of overstaying; and
  - (d) any current period of overstaying where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies.".

# APP LR4. For LR 10.1, substitute:

"LR 10.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

# APP LR5. For LR 10.2, substitute:

"LR 10.2. The applicant must not be:

- (a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded (although it will not count towards the qualifying period); or
- (b) on immigration bail.".

# APP LR6. For LR 11.2, substitute:

"LR 11.2. The following periods will not count towards the qualifying period for Long Residence:

- (a) time spent on immigration bail, temporary admission or temporary release; and
- (b) any period of overstaying between periods of permission before 24 November 2016 even if a further application was made within 28 days of the expiry of the previous permission; and
- (c) any period of overstaying between periods of permission on or after 24 November 2016 even if the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies to that period of overstaying; and
- (d) any current period of overstaying where the Exceptions for

overstayers section of Part Suitability applies.".

# **Changes to Appendix Victim of Domestic Abuse**

APP VDA1. For VDA 2.1, substitute:

"VDA 2.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability, but SUI 11.4(a) does not apply.".

APP VDA2. For VDA 4.1(b) and (c), substitute:

"(b) a partner under Appendix FM, Part 8, Part 11, or Appendix Family Reunion (Protection) of a person with permission as a refugee; or

(c) a spouse, civil partner, unmarried or same sex partner under paragraph 282(a), 282(c), 285, 295B(a), 295B(c) or 295E of Part 8 of a person present and settled in the UK a victim of domestic abuse under Appendix FM or Part 8; or".

# **Changes to Appendix Bereaved Partner**

APP BP1. For BP 2.1, substitute:

"BP 2.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability, but paragraph SUI 11.4(a) does not apply.".

# **Changes to Appendix Adoption**

APP AD1. For AD 2.1, substitute:

"AD 2.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP AD2. For AD 9.2. substitute:

"AD 9.2. Where AD 9.1. applies and the applicant falls for refusal under SUI 2.1, SUI 2.3, SUI 3.1., SUI 4.1, SUI 5.1. of Part 9 Suitability, the application on the Adoption: Hague Convention route must be refused.".

APP AD3. For AD 14.1, substitute:

"AD 14.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP AD4. For AD 26.1, substitute:

"AD 26.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP AD5. For AD 38.1, substitute:

"AD 38.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

### **Changes to Appendix Private Life**

APP PL1. For PL 2.1, substitute:

"PL 2.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP PL2. Delete PL 2.2.

APP PL3. In PL 8.2., for "suitability paragraphs S-LTR.1.2., S-LTR.1.3., S-LTR.1.4., S-LTR.1.5., S-LTR.1.6 or S-LTR 1.8. of Appendix FM of these rules" substitute "SUI 2.1. SUI 3.1., SUI 4.1., or SUI 5.1. of Part Suitability".

APP PL4. For PL 12.1., substitute: "PL 12.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP PL5. Delete PL 12.2.

APP PL6. In PL 12.3., for "The applicant must not have been convicted of an offence in the UK or overseas for which they have been sentenced to imprisonment for less than 12 months," substitute "The applicant must not fall for refusal under SUI 5.3. of Part Suitability,".

APP PL7. For PL 12.4., substitute:

"PL 12.4. Where any of the following occur during the applicant's qualifying period for settlement, the applicant must be refused settlement unless the applicant has completed a continuous qualifying period of 10 years with permission as set out in PL 12.6. and has completed 5 years continuous residence with such permission after the date of the first grant of permission after the suitability ground came to the attention of the decision maker:

(a) involvement in a sham marriage or civil partnership (SUI 8.1. of Part Suitability); or

- (b) use of false documents or information or deception (SUI 9.1. and SUI 10.1. of Part Suitability); or
- (c) litigation debt owed to the Home Office, unless the debt has been paid (SUI 17.1. of Part Suitability); or
- (d) debt to the NHS, unless the debt has been paid, or the total value of outstanding charges is under £500 (SUI 16.1. of Part Suitability); or
- (e) the applicant has breached the conditions of their permission (SUI 11.1. of Part Suitability).".

#### APP PL8. For PL 12.7., substitute:

"PL 12.7. The applicant must not be:

- (a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or
- (b) on immigration bail.".

#### APP PL9. For PL 20.1. substitute:

"PL 20.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP PL10. Delete PL 20.2.

APP PL11. For PL 27.1., substitute:

"PL 27.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP PL12. Delete PL 27.2.

APP PL13. For PL 27.3., substitute:

"PL 27.3. The applicant must not fall for refusal under SUI 5.3. of Part Suitability, unless the applicant has completed a qualifying period of 10 years with permission as set out in PL 27.5 and has spent at least 5 years with such permission since the end of their sentence."

# APP PL14. For PL 27.4. substitute:

"PL 27.4. Where any of the following occur during the applicant's qualifying period for settlement, the applicant must be refused settlement unless the applicant has completed a continuous qualifying

period of 10 years with permission under PL 27.5 and has completed 5 years continuous residence with such permission after the date of the first grant of permission after the suitability ground came to the attention of the decision maker:

- (a) involvement in a sham marriage or civil partnership (SUI 8.1. of Part Suitability); or
- (b) use of false documents or information or deception (SUI 9.1. and SUI 10.1. of Part Suitability); or
- (c) litigation debt owed to the Home Office, unless the debt has been paid (SUI 17.1. of Part Suitability); or
- (d) debt to the NHS, unless the debt has been paid, or the total value of outstanding charges is under £500 (SUI 16.1. of Part Suitability); or
- (e) the applicant has breached the conditions of their permission (SUI 11.1. of Part Suitability).".

# APP PL15. For PL 27.6., substitute:

"PL 27.6. The applicant must not be:

- (a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or
- (b) on immigration bail.".

#### **Changes to Appendix Settlement Family Life**

APP SF1. For SETF 2.1., substitute:

"SETF 2.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability."

APP SF2. Delete SETF 2.2.

APP SF3. In SETF 2.3., for "The applicant must not have been convicted of an offence in the UK or overseas for which they have been sentenced to imprisonment for less than 12 months," substitute "The applicant must not fall for refusal under SUI 5.3. of Part Suitability,".

APP SF4. For SETF 2.4., substitute:

"SETF 2.4. Where any of the following occur during the applicant's qualifying period for settlement, the applicant must be refused settlement unless the applicant has completed a continuous qualifying

period of 10 years with permission as set out in SETF 2.6 and has completed 5 years continuous residence with such permission after the date of the first permission after the suitability ground came to the attention of the decision maker:

- (a) involvement in a sham marriage or civil partnership (SUI 8.1. of Part Suitability); or
- (b) use of false documents or information or deception (SUI 9.1. and SUI 10.1. of Part Suitability); or
- (c) litigation debt owed to the Home Office, unless the debt has been paid (SUI 17.1. of Part Suitability); or
- (d) debt to the NHS, unless the debt has been paid, or the total value of outstanding charges is under £500 (SUI 16.1 of Part Suitability); or
- (e) the applicant has breached the conditions of their permission (SUI 11.1. of Part Suitability).".

# APP SF5. For SETF 2.7., substitute:

"SETF 2.7. The applicant must not be:

- (a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or
- (b) on immigration bail.".

# APP SF6. For SETF 11.1., substitute:

"SETF 11.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

#### APP SF7. Delete SETF 11.2.

APP SF8. In SETF 11.3., for "The applicant must not have been convicted of an offence in the UK or overseas for which they have been sentenced to imprisonment for less than 12 months," substitute "The applicant must not fall for refusal under SUI 5.3. of Part Suitability,".

# APP SF9. For SETF 11.4., substitute:

"SETF 11.4. Where any of the following occur during the applicant's qualifying period for settlement, the applicant must be refused settlement unless the applicant has completed a continuous qualifying period of 10 years with permission as set out in SETF 11.6 and has completed 5 years continuous residence with such permission after the

date of the first grant of permission after the suitability ground came to the attention of the decision maker:

- (a) involvement in a sham marriage or civil partnership (grounds for refusal under SUI 8.1. of Part Suitability); or
- (b) use of false documents or information or deception (SUI 9.1. and SUI 10.1. of Part Suitability); or
- (c) litigation debt owed to the Home Office, unless the debt has been paid (SUI 17.1. of Part Suitability); or
- (d) debt to the NHS, unless the debt has been paid, or the total value of outstanding charges is under £500 (SUI 16.1. of Part Suitability); or
- (e) the applicant has breached the conditions of their permission (SUI 11.1. of Part Suitability).".

# APP SF10. For SETF 11.7., substitute:

"SETF 11.7. The applicant must not be:

- (a) in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or
- (b) on immigration bail.".

# Changes to Appendix Gurkha and Hong Kong military unit veteran discharged before 1 July 1997

APP AF(GHK)1. For AF(GHK) 2.1, substitute:

"AF (GHK) 2.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP AF(GHK)2. For AF (GHK) 2.2, substitute:

"AF (GHK) 2.2. If the applicant is in the UK on the date of application, they must not be in breach of immigration laws, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, that period of overstaying will be disregarded.".

APP AF(GHK)3. For AF (GHK) 8.1, substitute:

"AF (GHK) 8.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

APP AF(GHK)4. For AF (GHK) 8.2, substitute:

"AF (GHK) 8.2. If the applicant is in the UK on the date of application, they must not in breach of immigration laws, except that, where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies, any current period of overstaying will be disregarded.".

APP AF(GHK)5. For AF (GHK) 13A.2, substitute:

"AF (GHK) 13A.2. Where AF (GHK) 13A.1. applies, and the applicant falls for refusal under SUI 2.1., SUI 2.3., SUI 4.1., or SUI 5.1., of Part Suitability, the application as a child of a Gurkha or Hong Kong military unit veteran discharged before 1 July 1997, must be refused."

# **Changes to Appendix Returning Resident**

APP RR1. For RR 2.1, substitute:

"RR 2.1. The applicant must not fall for refusal under Part Suitability.".

### **Changes to Appendix Continuous Residence**

APP CR1. In the introduction section, for "and Appendix ECAA Settlement" substitute ", Appendix ECAA Settlement, and Part 6A (for Tier 1 (Entrepreneur) and Tier 1 (Investor) only)".

APP CR2. In CR 4.1(d)(iv), delete "that an applicant left the UK".

# Changes to Appendix relationship with partner

APP RWP1. In the introductory paragraph after the entry "Appendix Gurkhas and Hong Kong military unit veteran discharged before 1 July 1997", insert: "Appendix Statelessness".

# **Changes to Appendix Children**

APP CHI1. In the introductory paragraph, after the entry "Appendix Gurkha and Hong Kong military unit veteran discharged before 1 July 1997", insert: "Appendix Statelessness".

APP CHI2. For CHI 1.2(a), substitute:

"(a) the entry clearance or permission to stay is valid on the date of application or expired no more than 14 days before the date of application, except that where the Exceptions for overstayers section of Part Suitability applies that period of overstaying will be disregarded; or".

# **Changes to Appendix Statelessness**

APP S1. For "Appendix Statelessness" substitute:

### "Immigration Rules Appendix Statelessness

This route is for a person in the UK who has no nationality and so is stateless, and is unable to become, or obtain a status leading to becoming, a permanent resident of another country.

A partner or dependent child of a Stateless person can apply to stay in the UK under Appendix Statelessness if they formed part of the family unit before the date a Stateless person was granted permission to stay. There is a separate route under Appendix FM: family members for a partner or dependent child who formed part of the family unit after the Stateless person was granted permission and is seeking to join a sponsor who has permission to stay as a Stateless person, is settled or a British Citizen in the UK on the basis of their family life.

A Stateless person or their partner or dependent child previously granted permission under Part 14: stateless persons applying on or after 11 November 2025 will be considered under this route.

The statelessness route is a route to settlement.

#### Validity requirements for a Stateless person

- S 1.1. A person applying for permission to stay as a Stateless person must apply online on the gov.uk website on the specified form "Further Leave to Remain Stateless person".
- S 1.2. An application for permission to stay as a Stateless person must meet all the following validity requirements:
  - (a) the applicant must have provided biometrics when required; and
  - (b) the applicant must have satisfactorily established their identity; and
  - (c) the applicant must be in the UK on the date of application.
- S 1.3. An application which does not meet all the validity requirements for a Stateless person may be rejected as invalid and not considered.

# Suitability requirements for a Stateless person

S 2.1. The decision maker must be satisfied that the applicant should not be refused under Part Suitability.

# Eligibility requirements for a Stateless person

- S 3.1. The applicant must be a person who is not considered as a national by any state under the operation of its law, as set out in Article 1(1) of the 1954 Statelessness Convention
- S 3.2. The applicant must have taken all reasonable steps, but nonetheless failed to:
  - (a) acquire, or re-acquire, nationality with the competent authorities of any relevant countries; and
  - (b) establish a right to admission as a permanent resident, or a status leading to permanent residence, in any relevant countries.
- S 3.3. If the applicant is a child born in the UK, their parent or legal guardian must have taken all reasonable steps to register the child's birth with the competent authorities and have been unsuccessful.
- S 3.4. The applicant must have obtained and submitted all reasonably available evidence to show they meet the requirements in S 3.1. and S 3.2 and, if the applicant is a child, S 3.3.

# Decision on an application as a Stateless person

- S 4.1. If the decision maker is satisfied that all the suitability and relevant eligibility requirements are met for a Stateless person the application will be granted, otherwise the application will be refused.
- S 4.2. If the application is refused, the person can apply for an Administrative Review under Appendix AR: Administrative Review.

#### Period of grant for a Stateless person

S 5.1. The applicant will be granted permission to stay for 5 years.

# Conditions of grant for a Stateless person

- S 5.2. The grant will be subject to the following conditions:
  - (a) work (including self-employment and voluntary work) permitted; and

- (b) study is permitted, subject to the ATAS condition in Appendix ATAS; and
- (c) access to public funds.

# Settlement as a Stateless person

# Validity requirements for settlement as a Stateless person

- S 6.1. A person applying for settlement as a Stateless person must apply online on the gov.uk website on the specified form "Further Leave to Remain Stateless person".
- S 6.2. An application for settlement must meet all the following validity requirements:
  - (a) the applicant must have provided biometrics when required; and
  - (b) the applicant must satisfactorily establish their identity; and
  - (c) the applicant must be in the UK on the date of application.
- S 6.3. The applicant must have, or have last been granted, permission as a Stateless person.
- S 6.4. An application which does not meet the validity requirements for settlement as a Stateless person may be rejected as invalid and not considered.

### Suitability requirements for settlement as a Stateless person

S 7.1. The decision maker must be satisfied that the applicant should not be refused under Part Suitability.

# Eligibility requirements for settlement as a Stateless person

# Qualifying period requirement for settlement as a Stateless person

- S 8.1. The applicant must have spent a continuous period of 5 years in the UK with permission as a Stateless person.
- S 8.2. If the applicant has not spent a period of 5 years in the UK with permission as a Stateless person, the 5 year qualifying period can be met by also counting time on any other route that includes rules allowing a person to qualify for settlement, if the applicant has had permission as a Stateless person for at least one year immediately before the date of application.

#### Continuing status requirement for settlement as a Stateless person

S 9.1. The applicant must continue to meet the eligibility requirements for a permission to stay as a Stateless person at S 3.1. to S 3.4, including during the period

when they have had permission to stay as a Stateless person.

# Decision on an application for settlement as a Stateless person

- S 10.1. If the decision maker is satisfied all the suitability and relevant eligibility requirements for settlement as a Stateless person are met, the applicant will be granted settlement.
- S 10.2. If the decision maker is not satisfied that all the suitability and eligibility requirements for settlement as a Stateless person are met, but is satisfied that the applicant meets the requirements for permission to stay as a Stateless person, the applicant will be granted a further period of permission to stay as a Stateless person for 5 years.
- S 10.3. If the decision maker is not satisfied that the applicant meets all the suitability and eligibility requirements for settlement or permission to stay as a Stateless person, the application for settlement will be refused.
- S 10.4. If the application for settlement is refused, the person can apply for an Administrative Review under Appendix AR: Administrative Review.

# Partner or child of a Stateless person

### Validity requirements for a partner or child of a Stateless person

- S 11.1. A person applying for entry clearance to join as a partner or child of a Stateless person in the UK must do so on the GOV.UK website on the specified form: "Child of a close relative with protection status in the UK or child or partner of a person who is officially stateless and in the UK with permission to stay".
- S 11.2. A person applying in the UK for permission to stay as a partner or child of a Stateless person in the UK must do so on the GOV.UK website on the specified form: "Further Leave to Remain Stateless person".
- S 11.3. An application as a partner or child of a Stateless person under Appendix Statelessness must meet the following validity requirements:
  - (a) the applicant must have provided biometrics when required; and
  - (b) the applicant must be applying as a partner or child of a person (P) on the statelessness route who:
    - (i) has made a valid application for permission to stay in the UK on the Appendix Statelessness route that has not been decided; or
    - (ii) has permission to stay in the UK on the statelessness route; and
    - (iii)is settled or has become a British Citizen, providing P had permission to

stay on the statelessness route when they settled and the applicant either had permission as their partner or child at that time, or the applicant is applying as a child of P and the applicant was born in the UK before P settled.

S 11.4. An application which does not meet the validity requirements for a partner or child of a Stateless person may be rejected as invalid and not considered.

# Suitability requirements for a partner or child of a Stateless person

S 12.1. The decision maker must be satisfied that the applicant should not be refused under Part Suitability.

# Eligibility requirements for a partner or child of a Stateless person

- S 13.1. A person seeking to come to the UK as a partner or child of a Stateless person must apply for and obtain entry clearance as a partner or child of a Stateless person before they arrive in the UK
- S 13.2. A person applying for entry clearance as a partner or child of a Stateless person must, if Appendix Tuberculosis applies, provide a valid medical certificate confirming that they have undergone screening for active pulmonary tuberculosis and that this tuberculosis is not present in them.
- S 13.3. The applicant must have satisfactorily established their identity and nationality.

# Relationship requirement for a partner of a Stateless person

- S 14.1. The applicant must have formed part of the family unit before the Stateless person was granted permission as a Stateless person.
- S 14.2. The applicant must be the partner of a Person (P) where one of the following applies:
  - (a) P has permission to stay as a Stateless person; or
  - (b) P is, at the same time, applying for (and is granted) permission to stay as a Stateless person;
- S 14.3. The applicant must meet the requirements of Appendix Relationship with Partner of these Rules.

#### Relationship requirement for a child of a Stateless person

S 15.1. The applicant must meet the following requirements for a dependent child in

# Appendix Children:

- (a) age requirement;
- (b) independent life requirement;
- (c) care requirement; and
- (d) relationship requirement: Entry Clearance and Permission to Stay.
- S 15.2. The applicant must have been born:
  - (a) before the Stateless person was granted permission to stay as a Stateless person; or
  - (b) after the Stateless person was granted permission to stay, if the applicant is the child of that person and their other parent is applying for permission, or has permission on, the statelessness route.

### Decision on an application as a partner or child of a Stateless person

- S 16.1. If the decision maker is satisfied that all the suitability and eligibility requirements for a partner or child of a Stateless person are met, the application will be granted, otherwise the application will be refused.
- S 16.2. If the application is refused, the person can apply for an Administrative Review under Appendix AR: Administrative Review.

# Period and conditions of grant for a partner or child of a Stateless person

- S 17.1. A partner or child will be granted permission for a period which expires at the same time as the permission granted to the Stateless person.
- S 17.2. The grant will be subject to all the following conditions:
  - (a) access to public funds; and
  - (b) work permitted (including self-employment and voluntary work); and
  - (c) study permitted, subject to the ATAS condition in Appendix ATAS.

# Settlement as a partner or child of a Stateless person

#### Validity requirements for settlement as a partner or child a Stateless person

- S 18.1. A person applying for settlement as a partner or child of a Stateless person in the UK must apply online on the gov.uk website on the specified form "Further Leave to Remain Stateless Person".
- S 18.2. An application for settlement as a partner or child of a Stateless person must meet all the following validity requirements:

- (a) the applicant must have provided biometrics when required; and
- (b) the applicant must satisfactorily establish their identity and nationality; and
- (c) the applicant must be in the UK on the date of application;
- (d) Unless the applicant is a child born in the UK while their parent had permission on the statelessness route, the applicant must have, or have last been granted, permission as a partner or child of a Stateless person; and
- (e) the applicant must be applying as a partner or child of a person (P) who:
  - (i) has made a valid application for settlement in the UK under Appendix Statelessness and that application has not been decided; or
  - (ii) is settled or has become a British citizen, providing that P had permission on the statelessness route when they settled and the applicant either had permission as their partner or child at that time, or the applicant is applying as a child of P and the applicant was born in the UK before P settled.
- S 18.3. An application which does not meet the validity requirements as a partner or child of a Stateless person may be rejected as invalid and not considered.

# Suitability requirements for settlement as a partner or child of a Stateless person

S 19.1. The decision maker must be satisfied that the applicant should not be refused under Part Suitability.

# Eligibility requirements for settlement as a partner of a Stateless person

- S 20.1. The applicant must be the partner of a Person (P) where one of the following applies:
  - (a) P has permission to stay as a Stateless person and is, at the same time as the applicant, being granted settlement; or
  - (b) P is settled in the UK or has become a British citizen, providing P had permission to stay as a Stateless person when they settled and the applicant had permission as P's partner at that time.

#### Relationship requirements for settlement as the partner of a Stateless person

S 21.1. The applicant must meet the requirements of Appendix Relationship with Partner of these Rules.

#### Eligibility requirements for settlement as a child of a Stateless person

S 22.1. The applicant must meet the following requirements for a dependent child in Appendix Children:

- (a) age requirement;
- (b) independent life requirement;
- (c) care requirement; and
- (d) relationship requirement: settlement.

# Decision on an application for settlement as a partner or child of a Stateless person

- S 23.1. If the decision maker is satisfied that the applicant meets all the suitability and eligibility requirements for settlement as a partner or child of a Stateless person, the applicant will be granted settlement.
- S 23.2. If the decision maker is not satisfied that the applicant meets all the suitability and eligibility requirements for settlement as a partner or child of a Stateless person, but is satisfied that the applicant continues to qualify as a partner or child of a Stateless person, the applicant will be granted permission to stay for at least 30 months.
- S 23.3. If the decision maker is not satisfied that the applicant meets all the suitability and eligibility requirements for settlement as a partner or child of a Stateless person, or for permission to stay as a partner or child of a Stateless person, the application for settlement will be refused
- S 23.4. If the application is refused, the person can apply for an Administrative Review under Appendix AR: Administrative Review.".