

Ukraine Immigration Schemes - Guide on Right to Work

The UK has implemented two Schemes enabling qualifying individuals who are impacted by the war in Ukraine to come to the UK.

In both cases, those entering the UK with relevant status as below are eligible to work in the UK.

Right to work for those with Status under the Ukraine Family Scheme

- On entry to the UK, your passport will be endorsed with a 6-month entry stamp
- This serves as evidence of your right to work, study and access public funds
- You must apply for a Biometric Residence Permit (BRP) by submitting your biometrics within 6 months of arriving in the UK
- Upon doing so, your visa will be extended for up to 3 years
- When you find a job with a UK employer you'll need to [prove your right to work](#).
- Your employer will be able to use the online service if you have already received your BRP or have a UKVI account
- If they cannot use the online service, you can in any event show your employer: a visa; or the stamp in your passport (if you've not yet applied for your BRP)
- This will serve as evidence of your right to work in the UK

Right to work for those with Status under the Homes for Ukraine Scheme

- On entry to the UK, your passport will be endorsed with a 6-month entry stamp
- This serves as evidence of your right to work, study and access public funds
- You must apply for a Biometric Residence Permit (BRP) by submitting your biometrics within 6 months of arriving in the UK
- Upon doing so, your visa will be extended for up to 3 years
- When you find a job with a UK employer you'll need to [prove your right to work](#).
- Your employer will be able to use the online service if you have already received your BRP or have a UKVI account
- If they cannot use the online service, you can in any event show your employer: a visa; or the stamp in your passport (if you've not yet applied for your BRP)
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Employers

- Those entering the UK under either of the above Schemes are eligible to work in the UK
- You must conduct and document a compliant right to work check
- If your applicant already holds a Biometric Residence Permit (BRP) you can use the online service to check their right to work
- If not, you can conduct a manual check of their documentation (in most cases, this will be a stamp in their passport which confirms no work restriction)
- You must consult the guidance [here](#) and follow the step by step guide [here](#) to the right to work check, the document retention requirements and follow up checks that will be required in line with the expiry date of the passport stamp

DISCLAIMER:

This factsheet is for informative purposes only. We are not able to provide individual support, but the Law Societies for England and Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland publish a list of immigration solicitors at:

England & Wales: [Find a Solicitor - The Law Society](#)

Scotland: [Find a Solicitor | Law Society of Scotland \(lawscot.org.uk\)](#),

Northern Ireland: [Solicitor Directory | The Law Society of Northern Ireland \(lawsoc-ni.org\)](#)

Please note that this information is correct as at 30 March 2022. Whilst this information will be updated regularly, given how rapidly this situation is changing it may not be up to date at all times. For another frequently updated source of information please consult

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/support-for-family-members-of-british-nationals-in-ukraine-and-ukrainian-nationals-in-ukraine-and-the-uk>