

# Brexit newsletter

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This is the new edition of the Brexit newsletter for British citizens living in the Netherlands, issued by the Dutch Immigration and Naturalisation Service (IND). Subsequent issues will be published as developments unfold. Please note: this will be the last edition sent by e-mail.

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## Brexit extension: no consequences for residence right of UK nationals living in the Netherlands



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**During the Brexit extension period, UK nationals and their family members living in the Netherlands retain their rights as EU citizens.**

On 21 March, the EU agreed to extend Brexit. This means that UK nationals and their family members living in the Netherlands retain their rights as EU citizens to live, work and study in the Netherlands. They do not need the temporary residence permit received from the IND during the extension period. In the event of a no-deal Brexit, however, they do need it to prove their right of residence. They should, therefore, keep the temporary residence permit safe.

**Temporary residence permit not needed during extension.**

At the moment, the IND has sent nearly all the temporary residence permits to UK nationals and their family members living in the Netherlands who are registered in the Personal Records Database (BRP). The remaining temporary residence permits will be sent in the coming days until all UK nationals and their family members registered in the BRP have received a residence permit before the date of Brexit. In this way, their residence rights will be guaranteed in time, in the event of a no-deal Brexit.

The temporary residence permit is being sent together with a covering letter with further information on its use. The temporary residence permit states that it is valid from 29 March 2019 up to and including 30 June 2020. As a result of the extension, the residence permits are not needed in the period from 29 March 2019 to the date of Brexit.

Since the temporary residence permits still remain valid until 30 June 2020, the IND will not, therefore send any new temporary residence permits with a revised date.

### **Keep safe in case of no-deal Brexit**

It is not yet known whether the UK will leave the EU after the extension period with a final deal or no-deal. For this reason, UK nationals and their family members are advised to keep the temporary residence permit safe, because it is still possible that there will be a no-deal Brexit. In such a case, the temporary residence permit is still valid until 30 June 2020. UK nationals and their family members can use it to prove that they are entitled to live, work and study in the Netherlands during the national transition period.

In the event of new developments, the IND will continue to inform UK nationals of new developments via our website, social media and the Brexit newsletter.

### **Do you have any questions?**

[Visit ind.nl/brexit](https://ind.nl/brexit) for more information. You can, for example view a sample temporary residence permit and covering letter. There are also [Brexit Q &A's](#) and an infographic. You can also register to receive the Brexit newsletter.

## **Brexit newsletter will no longer be sent by e-mail**



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For technical reasons, the IND will no longer send out the Brexit newsletter by e-mail. However, the Brexit newsletter will continue but with some changes. These are:

- Your subscription will end automatically. So you do not have to unsubscribe.
- You will no longer receive this newsletter as an email in your mailbox.
- The next Brexit newsletter will appear on [www.ind.nl](https://www.ind.nl).

- Is a new issue of the newsletter available? We will post a new message on our home page.
- We will also add a link to the latest Brexit newsletter from our [Brexit](#) web page.
- You can view all issues of the Brexit newsletter on [www.ind.nl](http://www.ind.nl).

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