



MINISTRY OF THE INTERIOR
OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC

Czech Republic Settlement Scheme for UK citizens after Brexit





BASIC FACTS

- **Based on EU rules, as of 31 October 2019 UK citizens cannot be considered as EU citizens.**
- Two scenarios of Brexit:
 - with a deal
 - without a deal
- In both scenarios the goal is to safeguard the possibility to stay for UK citizens legally residing in the Czech Republic before 31 October 2019.



WHAT TO DO BEFORE BREXIT

- Recommendations of the Interior Ministry to all UK citizens who reside in the Czech Republic:
 - If you intend to stay in the Czech Republic for more than three months → apply for a **Certificate of Temporary Residence**.
 - If you have lived in the Czech Republic for more than five years → apply for a **Permanent Residence Permit**.
 - If you are a family member of Czech or another EU citizen with a permanent residence permit and you have been living in the Czech Republic for more than two years → apply for a **Permanent Residence Permit**.
- The obligation to register with the Foreign Nationals' Police within 30 days after your arrival to the Czech Republic **does not substitute the Certificate of Temporary Residence**.



WHAT TO DO BEFORE BREXIT

- Apply at any of the [offices of the Interior Ministry](#)
- For further information visit our dedicated Brexit page: www.mvcr.cz/brexit

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ŽADOSTI PRO OBYČANY EVROPSKÉ UNIE A JEJICH RODINNÉ PŘÍSLUŠNÍKY
/ APPLICATION FOR THE EUROPEAN UNION CITIZENS AND THEIR FAMILY MEMBERS

O POVOLENÍ K TRVALÉMU POBYTU / FOR PERMANENT RESIDENCE PERMIT
 O POVOLENÍ K PŘECHODNÉMU POBYTU / FOR TEMPORARY RESIDENCE PERMIT
 POTVRZENÍ O PŘECHODNÉM POBYTU / FOR CERTIFICATE TEMPORARY RESIDENCE PERMIT
 O PRODLUŽENÍ DOBY PLATNOSTI PRŮKAZU O POVOLENÍ K POBYTU - VYDÁNÍ NÁHRADNÍHO PRŮKAZU O POVOLENÍ K POBYTU / FOR RENEWAL OF RESIDENT ALIEN CARD - FOR REPLACEMENT OF RESIDENT ALIEN CARD

NA ÚZEMÍ ČESKÉ REPUBLIKY / IN THE CZECH REPUBLIC
(požadovaný označte Měsem / cross the box which applies)

1. PŘÍJMENÍ / SURNAME

2. OSTATNÍ JMÉNA / OTHER NAMES

3. VŠECHNA DŘÍVEJŠÍ PŘÍJMENÍ / ALL PREVIOUS SURNAMES

4. JMÉNO (A) / FIRST NAME(S)

5. POKLAVÍ / SEX
MUŽ / MALE ŽENA / FEMALE

6. DATUM NAROZENÍ (DDMMRRSS) / DATE OF BIRTH (DDMMYYYY)

7. RODINNÝ STAV / MARITAL STATUS
ŽENATÝ/ČIKANÁ / MARRIED ROZVEDENÝ/Á / DIVORCED SVOBODNÝ/Á / SINGLE VDOLÉ/ČOVANÁ / WIDOWED

8. STÁT NAROZENÍ / COUNTRY OF BIRTH

9. MÍSTO NAROZENÍ / PLACE OF BIRTH

10. STÁTNÍ OBČANSTVÍ (6-04) / NATIONALITY (code)*

11. POVOLÁNÍ / OCCUPATION

12. ZAMĚSTNÁNÍ PŘED PŘÍCHODEM NA ÚZEMÍ / EMPLOYMENT BEFORE ARRIVAL TO THE CZECH REPUBLIC
ZAMĚSTHAVATEL / EMPLOYER
PRACOVNÍ ZAŘÁZENÍ / POSITION
ULICE / STREET
MĚSTO / TOWN

13. ZAMĚSTNÁNÍ PO VSTUPU NA ÚZEMÍ / EMPLOYMENT AFTER ARRIVAL TO THE CZECH REPUBLIC
ZAMĚSTHAVATEL / EMPLOYER
PRACOVNÍ ZAŘÁZENÍ / POSITION
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14. ÚČEL POBYTU NA ÚZEMÍ / PURPOSE OF STAY IN THE CZECH REPUBLIC

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DEAL SCENARIO

- The Withdrawal Agreement anticipates a transition period lasting until the end of 2020.
- It assumes that the UK citizens living elsewhere in the EU and EU citizens living in the UK will maintain their existing rights.

HOWEVER...

- It will only take place if the deal is countersigned by both sides in time and becomes valid before the said date.



NO DEAL SCENARIO

- **Brexit without deal is regulated by Lex Brexit adopted by the Czech Parliament in January 2019.**
- Among other things this law ensures similar approach for UK citizens living in the Czech Republic as for Czech citizens in the UK.



NO DEAL SCENARIO

- According to this law **you may stay legally in the Czech Republic until the end of 2020 if you are a holder of:**
 - certificate of temporary residence
 - permanent residence permit
 - residence card of a family member of a EU citizen
- In case you already have one of these documents, you may legally stay in the Czech Republic during the transition period.
- If you applied for one of these documents before the day of Brexit you may legally stay in the Czech Republic during the procedure.



NO DEAL SCENARIO

- Transition period – **31/10/2019 – 31/12/2020**
- If you wish to stay after 2020 you need to enter the Czech immigration scheme for third-country nationals (via [Foreigners Reservation System](#)) during the transition period:
 - **Holder of a permanent residence permit:**
 - The only obligation during the transition period is to change your documents for a new biometric card.
 - Standard administrative fee for the biometric card is 2 500 CZK.
 - Validity of the card is 10 years.
 - **Holder of a certificate of temporary residence:**
 - During transition period you are supposed to apply for a residence permit for third-country nationals:
 - long-term residence permit
 - permanent residence permit



NO DEAL SCENARIO

- You can directly apply for a long-term residence permit for **any type of purpose of stay** (e.g. study, work, family reunification, business, other).
- During the transition period the law assumes some **exceptions** (in comparison with the Czech immigration scheme for third-country nationals) for UK citizens, when applying for residence permits:
 - **Long-term residence permit** - you can directly apply for a permit in the territory of the Czech Republic at the offices of the Interior Ministry.
 - **Permanent residence permit** – you do not have to prove your knowledge of Czech language.



NO DEAL SCENARIO

- **Newcomers after Brexit:**

- Based on EU rules, as of 31 October 2019 **all UK citizens cannot be considered as EU citizens.**
- Visa-free regime to EU countries needs to be handled at the EU level.
- For stay longer than three months a standard national procedure for third-country nationals applies.
- Family reunification is possible according to the standard rules for third-country nationals (more options are available).



NO DEAL SCENARIO

- Besides residence **you should pay attention to other issues related to your stay in the Czech Republic:**
 - Citizenship
 - Marriage
 - Health insurance
 - Labour market access
 - Social benefits
 - Recognition of qualifications
 - Financial issues etc.
- Basic principle for areas covered by the law is that everything lodged before 31 October 2019 will be processed according to the rules for EU citizens.
- **For more information please contact respective offices.**



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THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION

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