



Practice Hub Quick Guide - EU Settlement Scheme

Purpose

Birmingham Children's Trust has a duty to ensure that children in care or care leavers, who are EU nationals, have applied for EU settled status.

Process

Who Needs to Apply

The social worker will need to progress an application for settlement if:

- The child is an [EU, EEA](#) or Swiss citizen.
- The child is [not an EU, EEA or Swiss citizen](#), but their family member is.

The EEA includes the EU countries and also Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway.

This means applications will need to be progressed even if:

- The child or young person was born in the UK but is not a British citizen (check if they are a [British Citizen](#) if you are not sure).
- They [have a UK 'permanent residence document'](#).
- Are a family member of an EU, EEA or Swiss citizen who does not need to apply - including if they are from Ireland.
- Are an EU, EEA or Swiss citizen with a British citizen family member.

What You Will Need to Make an Application

When processing an application, you will [need proof of](#):

- The child or young person's identity.
- Residence in the UK, unless there is a valid permanent residence document, or valid indefinite leave to remain in or enter the UK.

To begin the application follows this [link](#).

If a child or young person does not have ID, you will need to obtain ID for them. If this is proving difficult legal advice may need to be sought. Please discuss this with your line manager.

For none EU / EEA children and young people you will need to obtain ID and evidence of nationality. You will need to seek immigration advice on possible Home Office applications.