



Identity Documents Act 2010

2010 CHAPTER 40

False identity documents etc

7 Meaning of “identity document”

- (1) For the purposes of sections 4 to 6 “identity document” means any document that is or purports to be—
- (a) an immigration document,
 - (b) a United Kingdom passport (within the meaning of the Immigration Act 1971),
 - (c) a passport issued by or on behalf of the authorities of a country or territory outside the United Kingdom or by or on behalf of an international organisation,
 - (d) a document that can be used (in some or all circumstances) instead of a passport,
 - (e) a licence to drive a motor vehicle granted under Part 3 of the Road Traffic 1988 or under Part 2 of the Road Traffic (Northern Ireland) Order 1981, or
 - (f) a driving licence issued by or on behalf of the authorities of a country or territory outside the United Kingdom.
- (2) In subsection (1)(a) “immigration document” means—
- [^{F1}(a) a document used for confirming—
 - (i) the right of a person at a time before IP completion day under the EU Treaties in respect of entry or residence in the United Kingdom, or
 - (ii) the right of a person under the Immigration (European Economic Area) Regulations 2016 (as they continue to have effect by virtue of the Citizens' Rights (Application Deadline and Temporary Protection) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020) in respect of entry or residence in the United Kingdom,]
 - (b) a document that is given in exercise of immigration functions and records information about leave granted to a person to enter or to remain in the United Kingdom, or

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(c) a registration card (within the meaning of section 26A of the Immigration Act 1971).

[^{F2}(2A) In subsection 2(a)(i) “EU Treaties” includes a reference to those Treaties so far as applicable to and in the United Kingdom by virtue of Part 4 of the EU withdrawal agreement.]

(3) In subsection (2)(b) “immigration functions” means functions under the Immigration Acts (within the meaning of the Asylum and Immigration (Treatment of Claimants, etc.) Act 2004).

(4) References in subsection (1) to the issue of a document include its renewal, replacement or re-issue (with or without modifications).

(5) In this section “document” includes a stamp or label.

(6) The Secretary of State may by order amend the definition of “identity document”.

Textual Amendments

F1 S. 7(2)(a) substituted (31.12.2020) by [The Immigration and Social Security Co-ordination \(EU Withdrawal\) Act 2020 \(Consequential, Saving, Transitional and Transitory Provisions\) \(EU Exit\) Regulations 2020 \(S.I. 2020/1309\)](#), regs. 1(2), **19(2)(a)**

F2 S. 7(2A) inserted (31.12.2020) by [The Immigration and Social Security Co-ordination \(EU Withdrawal\) Act 2020 \(Consequential, Saving, Transitional and Transitory Provisions\) \(EU Exit\) Regulations 2020 \(S.I. 2020/1309\)](#), regs. 1(2), **19(2)(b)**

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