



Brexit as we know it so far

ADVICE FOR PROSPECTIVE MILLFIELD PUPILS, CURRENTLY LIVING OVERSEAS

Millfield has been closely monitoring information released from the UK Government to establish how Brexit might affect prospective pupils who live overseas. This information provides a practical interpretation of the UK Government's current immigration proposals and is based upon the Independent Schools Council 'FAQs' which have been checked by VWV.

The information is accurate at time of writing (4 February 2019) and will be updated should there be a change in political circumstances or UK Government policy.

1. Scenario One - If the UK leaves the EU with a deal on 29 March 2019.

30 March 2019 – 31 December 2020

If the UK leaves the EU with a deal on 29 March 2019, the intention is that the new immigration rules, which would require EU pupils to have a visa, or be here under the EU Settlement Scheme, will take effect in January 2021:

- Until 31 December 2020, the current immigration rules will apply and EU pupils will be able to come to the UK to study at Millfield without a visa
- For non-EU, prospective pupils who live overseas, there will be no change to the immigration rules during the implementation period. Pupils will continue to apply for a Tier 4 visa, until the new immigration system is implemented on 1 January 2021

2. Scenario Two - If the UK leaves the EU without a deal on 29 March 2019.

Those EU pupils arriving at Millfield **after** 29 March 2019 and before 31 December 2020 will be subject to transitional arrangements:

- During this period, EU citizens will be able to enter the UK as now, using e-gates when travelling on a biometric passport and will automatically be granted leave to stay for up to 3 months during which they will be permitted to study
- However, any EU national who wishes to study at Millfield for longer than 3 months will need to apply for 'European Temporary Leave to Remain' during the initial 3-month period. Successful applicants will be granted leave to remain for a further non-extendable period of 3 years for work and study
- After the expiry of this 3-year period, EU pupils who wish to remain longer will have to apply under new immigration rules

Therefore, in the case of a no deal Brexit, an EU pupil due to start Millfield in Autumn 2019 should be able to come to the UK by showing a valid national identity card or a passport, but they will need to apply for 'European Temporary Leave to Remain'.

- Those EU citizens who arrive to study at Millfield after 1 January 2021 will need a visa under the new immigration system

For non-EU, prospective pupils who live overseas, there will be no change to the immigration rules during the implementation period. Pupils will continue to apply for a Tier 4 visa, until the new immigration system is implemented on 1 January 2021.

As we receive further advice from the UK Government, we will continue to update current and prospective parents on how to proceed ready for the implementation of the single immigration system from 1 January 2021.

In the meantime, if you have any further questions, please email admissions@millfieldschool.com