



British Embassy
Vienna

Information on Citizens' Rights

➤ For information on how the UK leaving the EU will affect you

- ✓ **Consult** our guide for UK Nationals living in or moving to Austria, which will continue to be updated

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- **If the UK leaves the EU without a deal, check overleaf for practical steps you can take now**



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	<p>The Austrian Federal Chancellery has a Brexit webpage: https://www.bundestkanzleramt.gv.at/en/topics/brexit</p> <p>There is a hotline (+43 (0) 800 222 666) and email (service@bka.gv.at) for questions about Brexit.</p>
	<p>RESIDENCY</p> <p>British nationals living in Austria are advised to ensure that their residence documentation is up-to-date in line with Austrian law. You and any minors living in the same household are obliged to register with the competent residence authority (Meldebehörde) within 3 days of moving into your new home. On registering, you will be issued with a 'Meldezettel'. The competent residence authority can be either:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the Provincial Governor (Landeshauptmann/Landeshauptfrau) • the authorised Regional Administrative Authority (Bezirkshauptmannschaft) • the Local Administrative Authority (Magistrat, in Vienna: MA 35) <p>The information below relates to the laws applying to British nationals whilst the UK is a member state of the EU.</p> <p>EU citizens who are entitled to reside in Austria for more than 3 months under EU law, and who indeed intend to stay longer than 3 months, should apply for a registration certificate (Anmeldebescheinigung) as documentation of their right of residence. A request must be submitted within 4 months of entry into Austria.</p> <p>After a 5-year period of continuous legal residence in Austria, a document certifying permanent residence under EU law (Bescheinigung des Daueraufenthalts) can be issued upon application: https://bit.ly/1xgJv17</p> <p>More information can be found at: https://www.migration.gv.at/en/types-of-immigration/mobility-within-the-eu/</p> <p>The Austrian Ministry of the Interior has published detailed information on residency rights for British citizens in Austria in the event of a no-deal scenario: https://bit.ly/2JImCYI and accompanying video: https://bit.ly/2UL0Wte</p> <p>Travel advice in the event of a no-deal scenario: If you are a British national resident in Austria, and you need to travel outside the country, the Austrian Government strongly advise that in the event of a no-deal you start your application for your new residency documents before leaving the country. Upon application, you will be issued with an A4 Application Certificate, which you can produce as proof of residence when re-entering Austria. Such Application Certificates would only be issued from the date of the UK leaving the EU without a deal.</p>
	<p>HEALTH Residents</p> <p>Compulsory health insurance in Austria applies to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • almost all those in paid employment; and most self-employed persons • persons claiming unemployment benefits; and pensioners • dependants of all these groups <p>Anyone can seek voluntary cover for health and pension insurance. More information can be found at: https://www.migration.gv.at/en/living-and-working-in-austria/health/health-insurance/</p> <p>If you are resident in Austria and plan to visit the UK on or after the date the UK exits the EU, you should buy travel insurance.</p> <p>The Austrian Ministry of Labour, Social Affairs and Consumer Protection has published detailed information on social security for British citizens in Austria in the event of a no-deal scenario: https://bit.ly/2JImCYI</p> <p>Pensioners</p> <p>Currently, if you receive a UK state pension and have a registered S1 healthcare document, the UK covers your healthcare costs by reimbursing the EU Member State in which you retired. This will continue to be the case until the date the UK exits the EU. In a case of a no deal, we cannot guarantee that this will continue after the date of the UK's exit. However, the UK is seeking reciprocal arrangements to maintain people's healthcare rights as a top priority. The Austrian Government have advised that to ensure you do not lose healthcare coverage, you may wish to consider private health insurance or to contact your local social insurance organisation to enquire about making voluntary contributions.</p>
	<p>DRIVING</p> <p>Holders of UK driving licences who are resident in an EU country should exchange their UK licences for a driving licence from the EU country they are living in before the date the UK exits the EU. To convert a UK licence to an Austrian licence, go to the nearest Motor Vehicle Department (Verkehrsamt) or District Administrative Authority (Bezirkshauptmannschaft). The Austrian Federal Chancellery has published detailed information on driving: https://www.bundestkanzleramt.gv.at/en/topics/brexit/driving</p>
	<p>PASSPORTS</p> <p>Adult and child passports should have at least 6 months remaining from your date of travel. If you renewed your passport early, extra months would have been added to your new passport. These extra months will not count towards the 6 months so some passport holders will need to have more than 6 months remaining in order to travel. Use this tool to check your passport is still valid for your trip before booking travel: https://bit.ly/2VJtpAt</p>

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