

Cabinet Office

Immigration Recognition of UK Visas

Laid before Tynwald: 16 July 2019

- 1. The policy set out in this document is issued by the Cabinet Office and may be cited as the "Immigration Recognition of UK Visas Policy".
- 2. The Immigration Recognition of UK Visas Policy sets out the requirements that must be met by:
 - a. Tier 4 (General) Migrants issued with a UK visa, undertaking the Foundation Programme at Nobles Hospital,
 - b. Tier 2 (General) Migrants issued with a UK visa, undertaking the Speciality Training Programme at Nobles Hospital, and
 - c. Tier 2 (Minister of Religion) Migrants issued with a UK visa,

of the Points Based System of the Immigration Rules made under section 3(2) of the Immigration Act 1971 (of Parliament).

- 3. This policy sets out the circumstances in which the specified UK visas at 2. above may be recognised in the Isle of Man without requiring an application to be made under the Isle of Man Immigration Rules¹.
- 4. The Immigration Recognition of UK Visas Policy (GC 2019/0005) comes into operation 17 July 2019.
- 5. The recognition of a migrant's United Kingdom:
 - a. Tier 4 (General) visa, for the purpose of undertaking the Foundation Programme at Nobles Hospital, and
 - b. Tier 2 (General) visa, for the purpose of undertaking the Speciality Training Programme at Nobles Hospital,

¹ SD 62/05 made by the Minister of the Cabinet Office and laid before Tynwald pursuant to section 3(2) of the Immigration Act 1971 (of Parliament) (c.77) as extended with modifications to the Isle of Man by the Immigration (Isle of Man) Order 2008 (SI 2008/680) as amended.

prior to 17 July 2019, under the Immigration Sponsor Licensing Policy (GC 2018/0002²), will remain valid under this Policy until the expiry date applicable to the relevant document.

Howard Quayle Minister for the Cabinet Office July 2019

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 $^{^2}$ GC 2018/0002 was replaced by GC 2019/0004. All references to the recognition of the visas at point 5. above were removed from GC 2018/0002 and included in this Policy GC 2019/0005.



Immigration Recognition of UK Visas Policy

Recognition of visas issued by the UK Home Office in certain circumstances

Tier 4 (General) Migrants - Foundation Programme Doctors

A migrant's United Kingdom (UK) Tier 4 (General) visa may be recognised as valid for the purposes of undertaking the Foundation Programme in the Isle of Man provided that the following is met:

- (a) the migrant has graduated from a UK medical school;
- (b) the migrant has been allocated a place on the Foundation Programme at Nobles Hospital in the Isle of Man;
- (c) the migrant holds a valid Tier 4 (General) student visa issued by the UK Home Office which is sponsored by the UK Registered Sponsor "Health Education England" and has been issued for the purposes of undertaking the Foundation Programme; and
- (d) the migrant provides evidence to Isle of Man Immigration Officers of points (a), (b). and (c) above, including evidence of the valid Tier 4 (General) visa and any biometric resident permit.

On production of the information prescribed above, Immigration Officers will issue a letter confirming that the Tier 4 (General) migrant has satisfied these requirements. It will confirm the migrant's UK Tier 4 (General) student visa is recognised as valid for leave in the Isle of Man, and that the migrant is not required to obtain a separate Isle of Man Tier 4 (General) student visa.

In these circumstances, the Isle of Man employer of the Tier 4 (General) migrant will be treated as the migrant's Sponsor, as set out in the Immigration Sponsor Licensing Policy GC 2019/0004, for the purpose of record keeping, reporting and other sponsorship duties in relation to the migrant whilst the migrant is in the Isle of Man and employed by the Sponsor. The Sponsor must retain all documents listed above in addition to the documents set out in Appendix B of the Immigration Sponsor Licensing Policy GC 2019/0004. These documents must be made available to Immigration Officers on request.

Tier 2 (General) Migrants - Speciality Training Doctors

A migrant's UK Tier 2 (General) visa may be recognised as valid for the purposes of undertaking a Speciality Training Programme post in the Isle of Man provided that the following is met:

- (a) the migrant has been allocated a place on a Speciality Training Programme at Nobles Hospital in the Isle of Man;
- (b) the migrant holds a valid Tier 2 (General) visa issued by the UK Home Office which is sponsored by the UK Registered Sponsor "Health Education England" and has been issued for the purpose of undertaking a Speciality Training Programme; and
- (c) the migrant provides written evidence to Isle of Man Immigration Officers of points (a) and (b) above, including evidence of the valid Tier 2 (General) visa and any biometric resident permit.

On production of the information prescribed above, Immigration Officers will issue a letter confirming that the Tier 2 migrant has satisfied these requirements. It will confirm the migrant's UK Tier 2 (General) visa is recognised as valid for leave in the Isle of Man, and that the migrant is not required to obtain a separate Isle of Man Tier 2 (General) visa.

Tier 2 (Minister of Religion) Migrants

A migrant's UK Tier 2 (Minister of Religion) visa may be recognised as valid in the Isle of Man provided that the following is met:

- (a) the migrant holds a valid Tier 2 (Minister of Religion) visa issued by the UK Home Office which is sponsored by a licenced sponsor¹;
- (b) the Certificate of Sponsorship used in support of the grant of leave at (a) must remain valid; and
- (c) the leave at (a) must not have been curtailed by the UK Home Office.

Immigration Officers may request documentation from the migrant to verify (a) to (c) above. Where (a) to (c) are met, Immigration Officers will issue a letter confirming that the Tier 2 (Minister of Religion) migrant has satisfied these requirements. It will confirm the migrant's UK Tier 2 (Minister of Religion) visa is recognised as valid for leave in the Isle of Man, and that the migrant is not required to obtain a separate Isle of Man visa.

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/register-of-licensed-sponsors-workers

¹ A list of organisations licensed to sponsor workers under Tiers 2 and 5 can be found on the UK Home Office Website.