

Common Travel Area document requirements

The Bailiwick of Guernsey is a member of the Common Travel Area (CTA), along with Jersey, the Isle of Man, Republic of Ireland and the United Kingdom. In order to protect the Bailiwick and the CTA we seek to maintain the same standard of immigration controls.

There are no routine border immigration controls when travelling within the CTA.

Arrivals from outside the Common Travel Area

When travelling directly into the Bailiwick of Guernsey from outside the CTA you need to carry a valid passport if none of the following apply;

As of 1st October 2021 EU, EEA and Swiss Citizens will no longer be able to enter using national identity cards, unless they;

- have settled or pre-settled status under the EU Settlement Scheme
- have applied to an EU Settlement Scheme but have not yet received a decision
- are an EU, EEA or Swiss national under the age of 19 and part of an organised school group
- have an EU Settlement Scheme family permit

Alternatively, EU, EEA/Swiss national identity cards can be used in association with Frontier Worker permit or if you are a S2 Healthcare Visitor.

In these cases, you can continue to use your national identity card to enter until at least 31 December 2025.

Any person who does not have a valid immigration status to enter the Bailiwick and CTA or is not carrying the correct documents may be refused entry.

Travelling within the Common Travel Area

When travelling within the CTA, British and Irish nationals do not need to carry a passport. But may wish to use them as photographic identification.

Travel documents for arrivals from UK, Isle of Man and Jersey

When travelling into the Bailiwick from Jersey, the Isle of Man or UK you do not need to carry a passport. However you will need to carry some form of recognised photographic identification. The Guernsey Border Agency will accept whichever form of photographic identification that is accepted by your airline or ferry company for security purposes.

Customs and Immigration Officers can ask for proof of identity and you may be required to provide evidence of your immigration status.

Arrivals from Republic of Ireland

When travelling into the Bailiwick direct from the Republic of Ireland, British or Irish Citizens will need to carry photographic identification. All other nationalities will be required to carry a valid passport. However, EU, EEA or Swiss Citizens can continue to utilise a national identity card for identity purposes when travelling from the Republic of Ireland if they;

- have EU settled or pre-settled status

- have applied to an EU Settlement Scheme but have not yet received a decision
- are an EU, EEA or Swiss national under the age of 19 and part of an organised school group
- have an EU Settlement Scheme family permit

Alternatively, EU, EEA and Swiss Identity cards can be used in association with Frontier Worker permit or if you are a S2 Healthcare Visitor.

Customs and Immigration Officers can ask for proof of identity and you may be required to provide evidence of your immigration status.