## I AM A THIRD NATIONAL RESIDING IN THE UK AND MARRIED/DEPENDENT OF A UK CITIZEN. DO I NEED A VISA TO TRAVEL TO SPAIN?

Please check the Annex I of Regulation (EU) 2018/1806 to be sure if your nationality is required to be in possession of a visa or if it is exempt of this requirement.

You have to apply for a Schengen visa at BLS International London:

However, family members of UK nationals who established the residence in other EU Member State in accordance with EU free movement law before 31st December 2020 and can prove it, may apply for a free EU/EEA FAMILY MEMBER VISA when travelling with the EU citizen or when meeting the EU citizen in the country of destination.

You may check Visas for family members of a citizen of the Union

#### I AM A THIRD NATIONAL RESIDING IN THE UK AND MARRIED/DEPENDENT TO/OF A EUROPEAN CITIZEN. DO I NEED A VISA TO TRAVEL TO SPAIN?

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You may apply for a free EU/EEA FAMILY MEMBER VISA when travelling with the EU citizen or when meeting the EU citizen in the country of destination.

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# I AM A BRITISH NATIONAL RESIDING IN THE UK. DO I NEED A VISA TO VISIT THE EU AFTER BREXIT?

In compliance with EU Regulation 2018/1806 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 14 November 2018 British passport holders travelling to Schengen countries **for holidays, business or to visit family** do not require a visa for stays of up to 90 days in a 180 day-period, provided the visit is not for gainful activity.

Please note that the 90 days will start counting from the date they enter any of the Schengen countries, including Spain.

British citizens and their family member **need visa** for journey undertaken after 31st December 2020 for the purposes of **residence**, **studies for period larger than 90 days, work, professional, artistic or religious activities**. Please check National visas requirements.

#### I HOLD A "RESIDENCE CARD OF A FAMILY MEMBER OF A UNION CITIZEN" DO I NEED A VISA TO TRAVEL TO SPAIN?

Yes, you do if your nationality is required to be in possession of a visa. Please check the Annex I of Regulation (EU) 2018/1806 to be sure if your nationality is required to be in possession of a visa or if it is exempt of this requirement.

You may apply for a free EU/EEA FAMILY MEMBER VISA when travelling with the EU citizen or when meeting the EU citizen in the country of destination. EU/EEA family member visa is a free visa. Failure to fulfil all requirements may lead to the refusal of you visa.

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#### I HOLD AN "EU SETTLEMENT / PRE-SETTLEMENT STATUS" RESIDENCE CARD. DO I NEED A VISA TO TRAVEL TO SPAIN?

Yes, you do if your nationality is required to be in possession of a visa.

Please check the Annex I of Regulation (EU) 2018/1806 to be sure if your nationality is required to be in possession of a visa or if it is exempt of this requirement.

#### I HOLD A "SPOUSE / PARTNER" RESIDENCE CARD. DO I NEED A VISA TO TRAVEL TO SPAIN?

Please check the Annex I of Regulation (EU) 2018/1806 to be sure if your nationality is required to be in possession of a visa or if it is exempt of this requirement.

The "SPOUSE / PARTNER" residence card is not related to EU/EEA citizens. Therefore, you should apply for a Schengen visa

#### I AM A HOLDER OF A REFUGEE TRAVEL DOCUMENT ISSUED UNDER THE 1951 CONVENTION. DO I NEED A VISA TO TRAVEL TO SPAIN?

Yes, you should apply for a Schengen visa or an EU/EEA FAMILY MEMBER VISA (when travelling with the EU family member or when meeting the EU family member in the country of destination) by getting an appointment at <u>BLS International London</u>.

#### I AM A STATELESS PERSON HOLDING A TRAVEL DOCUMENT ISSUED UNDER THE 1954 CONVENTION. DO I NEED A VISA TO TRAVEL TO SPAIN?

Yes, you should apply for a Schengen visa or an EU/EEA FAMILY MEMBER VISA (when travelling with the EU family member or when meeting the EU family member in the country of destination) by getting an appointment at <u>BLS International London</u>.

#### I AM A HOLDER OF A "NATO TRAVEL ORDER" DO I NEED A VISA TO TRAVEL TO SPAIN?

Army personnel do not need a visa if they hold a NATO Travel Order along with their army ID card.

#### I AM TRANSITING THROUGH THE INTERNATIONAL AREA OF A SPANISH AIRPORT. DO I NEED A TRANSIT VISA?

The list of third countries whose nationals must hold an airport transit visa when passing through the international transit areas of airports situated on the territory of any of the Member States (including Spain) is set out in Annex 7A of the Handbook for the processing of visa applications and the modification of issued visas.

Please check the Annex I of Regulation (EU) 2018/1806 to be sure if your nationality is required to be in possession of a visa or if it is exempt of this requirement.

Visit <u>BLS International London</u> in order to get an appointment to submit your application.

#### HOW CAN I APPLY FOR A SCHENGEN TOURISM VISA?

Firstly, you should go to <u>Schengen visa</u> stating the documents required to apply for a Schengen tourism visa.

Once you have all required documents, you should get an appointment at <u>BLS</u> <u>International London</u>: Failure to fulfil all requirements may lead to the refusal of you visa.

## HOW CAN I APPLY FOR A SCHENGEN BUSINESS VISA?

Firstly, you should go to <u>Schengen visa</u> stating the documents required to apply for a Schengen business visa.

Once you have all required documents, you should get an appointment at <u>BLS</u> <u>International London</u>: Failure to fulfil all requirements may lead to the refusal of you visa.

## WHERE SHOULD I APPLY FOR A SCHENGEN VISA?

For the swiftness of the application process, all Schengen visa applications must be made at <u>BLS International London</u>.

## I AM A TOURIST / VISITOR / STUDENT IN THE UK. CAN I APPLY FOR A SCHENGEN VISA FROM THE UK?

No, you can't, except if you hold a British Resident Permit (BRP) or a UK Short Term Student Visa.

If you do not hold a British Resident Permit (BRP) or a UK Short Term Student Visa, visa applications should be made at the Spanish Consulate of the applicant's current place of residence.

## DOES MY PASSPORT NEED ANY MINIMUM VALIDITY?

Yes, a minimum validity of 90 days is required in all passports / travel documents as a general rule.

Please note that Spain can only accept passports / travel documents issued within the past 10 years.

#### MY VISA HAS BEEN REFUSED. HOW CAN I APPEAL THIS DECISION?

Should you wish to appeal against the decision of the Consulate, you must do so in writing within a month from the date of notification. You can lodge your appeal <u>directly</u> to the Visa Department of this Consulate (20 Draycott Place SW3 2RZ) or to the Superior Court of Justice in Madrid (in case of appeal to the Superior Court of Justice in Madrid, all documents must be duly translated into Spanish)

The reason for refusal was included in the decision letter. Please enclose the following:

- Copy of the refusal letter.
- A covering letter stating your grounds of appeal and a copy of your passport and UK residence permit.
- A current contact address, email and home time telephone number must be provided.
- Documents supporting your grounds of appeal.

Pursuant to Article 123 of Act 39/2015, of 1 October, on the Common Administrative Procedure of the Public Administrations, the Consulate has one month to issue a resolution of your reconsideration appeal, understanding negative if you don't receive an answer.

## HOW CAN I GET A NEW "NIE" o Número de Identificación de Extranjeros?

For NIE information, please visit the relevant web section of the Consulate.

#### I AM A THIRD COUNTRY CITIZEN CURRENTLY RESIDING IN SPAIN WITH A VALID SPANISH RESIDENCE PERMIT. WHILE BEING IN THE UK FOR A FEW DAYS, MY SPANISH RESIDENCE CARD WAS STOLEN OR LOST IT. WHAT SHOULD I DO?

In order to come back to Spain to process a new card, you need to book an appointment for a stolen or lost Schengen visa directly at <u>BLS International</u> <u>London</u>, specifying the day of the appointment that you need a visa for loss of valid Spanish residence card and submitting the following documents instead of the tourism checklist:

- Visa Application form duly completed, dated and signed.
- One recent passport size colour photograph, printed in photo paper with white background.
- Passport (Photocopy of biometric data page + Photocopy of pages with exit stamp of Spain and entry stamp in UK).
- Boarding pass or equivalent matching the entry stamp in UK.
- Police report.
- Provide your NIE number.
- flight booking to come back to Spain
- Pay the BLS fee + the Consulate Visa fee except for EU family members Residence Cards who only pay the BLS fee.

Please keep in mind that **this procedure cannot be used for the recovery of long-term residences in Spain that are expired or extinguished by non-residents in Spain**. If this is your case, please <u>contact the Visa Department</u>