

# Life in the UK test for Citizenship

If you have Indefinite Leave to Remain - as a refugee, humanitarian protection or discretionary leave

Unless an exemption applies you must pass the Life in the UK Test.

You are exempt if at the date of application for settlement any of the following apply:

- You are aged 65 or over, or
- You have provided evidence that you have a physical or mental condition that restricts your ability to prepare for the test

## Book the Life in UK Test

- In the UK, the Life in the UK test must be booked online [www.gov.uk/life-in-the-uk-test](http://www.gov.uk/life-in-the-uk-test)
- You must book your Life in the UK Test online at least 3 days in advance You will need a debit or credit card
- There are over 30 test centres in the UK. You can choose where to take your test when you book



## Accepted forms of ID

- valid passport
- valid travel document with a photo
- biometric residence permit
- biometric residence card

See the '**Identification requirements**' document to make sure the ID you have is acceptable

Email [nationalityenquiries@homeoffice.gov.uk](mailto:nationalityenquiries@homeoffice.gov.uk) for help if you do not have any of these documents.

The name you give on your test booking must be an exact match with the name on the ID you use to book the test. If your documents show a name or gender that you do not want the test centre staff to see or if you do not want it to show on your test result, email [sensitivebookings@homeoffice.gov.uk](mailto:sensitivebookings@homeoffice.gov.uk) before booking your test. They will tell you what you need to do.

## Prepare for the test

You will be tested on information in the official handbook for the Life in UK Test (available as book, eBook, e-Learning subscription or in audio format ([www.officialifeintheuk.co.uk/shop](http://www.officialifeintheuk.co.uk/shop))). You should study the handbook to prepare for the test.



## What happens at the test

You must bring the same ID that you used to book the test. Your photo will also be taken on the day to confirm your ID. You will have 45 minutes to answer 24 questions about British traditions and customs.

## If you pass - You must score 75% or more to pass the test

You will get a '**unique reference number**'. You need this number to complete your citizenship or application. The Home Office will use it to check that you have passed. If you took your test before 17 December 2019, you will have a letter with a '**test reference ID**' instead of a unique reference number. If you have lost your letter, send a letter explaining that you have lost it with your citizenship or settlement application.

## If you fail

You can rebook the test as many times as you need. You will have to pay each time.

