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## International travel requirements for holders of Jersey immigration permissions

This factsheet explains how holders of Jersey immigration permissions can travel back into the Common Travel Area (CTA) and what carriers (such as airlines, ferry and rail operators) should look for at the point of boarding.

### Key points

- **Jersey, a Crown Dependency, issues its own immigration permissions (visas) and status documents.** These are issued under Jersey immigration law, which aligns closely with UK immigration law.
- **Recognition in UK Law** - Schedule 4 of the UK Immigration Act 1971 integrates the immigration laws of the UK and the Islands (Jersey, Guernsey, Isle of Man), providing the legal basis for recognition of Jersey permissions in the UK. [ [legislation.gov.uk](https://legislation.gov.uk) ] 
- **Jersey immigration permissions are not currently digital** - Holders do not have 'share codes' or eVisas for their Jersey permission. Physical documents issued by the Government of Jersey remain valid. [ [gov.je](https://gov.je) ] 
- **What a valid Jersey permission looks like** - physical endorsements include:
  - **Vignettes** (UKVI visa sticker in a passport)
  - **Wet ink entry/leave stamps** placed in a passport by the Jersey Customs and Immigration Service
  - **Status letters** for the Jersey EU Settlement Scheme (EUSS) – these may either be as a physical letter or a PDF version of the letter



### These endorsements are valid for entry to the UK

The UK Home Office has published guidance on explaining the CTA and processes for those travelling to and within the CTA. [ [gov.uk](https://gov.uk) ] 





## For carriers: checking Jersey permission holders

Because Jersey permissions are physical documents (not eVisas), carriers should not expect a digital status or share code for Jersey-issued permissions. Instead, carriers boarding passengers to the UK should:

- 1. Review the passenger's physical Jersey immigration endorsement/s** (vignette, wet ink stamp or EUSS status letter). The UK Home Office publishes guidance on requirements for carriers here: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/document-checks-and-charges-for-carriers> 
- 2. Contact the UK Border Force Carrier Support Hub** to verify permission to travel. UKVI carrier guidance signposts this Hub and provides up to date contact details.
- 3. Check Timatic** which is the manual that carriers use worldwide to check document requirements.
- 4. Consult UK Visas and Immigration carrier information** (for example, the UK visa requirements list for carriers and charging procedures), which sets out document checks, liability rules and operational expectations. [ [gov.uk](https://www.gov.uk) ] 

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## Electronic Travel Authorisation (ETA)

- The UK began enforcing its digital permission-to-travel requirement on 25 February 2026. Carriers must check that travelers have either an ETA, an eVisa or acceptable physical proof of their Status before boarding – a PDF version of the EUSS status letter is also acceptable. British and Irish citizens are exempt from needing an ETA. [ [gov.uk](https://www.gov.uk) ] 
- If you already hold a valid entry clearance or permission to enter or remain, you do not need an ETA. This includes people who hold valid Jersey immigration permission. [ [gov.uk](https://www.gov.uk) ] 

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Holders of Jersey Immigration permissions are urged to ensure they carry the correct documentation when they travel; and to contact the Jersey Immigration Service to update their personal details if they have changed since they were last granted permission.

**Contact the Jersey Customs and Immigration Service in the following ways:**



## Justice and Home Affairs

Customs and Immigration Service  
Maritime House  
St Helier, Jersey  
JE1 1JD

- Email: [immigration@gov.je](mailto:immigration@gov.je)
- Telephone: +44 1534 448000 - Monday-Friday 09:00 – 16:00.
- Address: Maritime House, La Route du Port Elizabeth, St Helier, Jersey, JE1  
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- Website: [Jersey Customs and Immigration Service](#)

