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Application for an extension of stay in the United Kingdom as the spouse (husband or wife) or unmarried partner of a person present and settled in the UK

This form is valid only for applications made on or before 14 November 2002

For which types of application must you use this form?

Only to apply for an extension of stay in one of the categories listed on page 4 of this form. Please note that applications for settlement in either category after completing the necessary qualifying periods must be made on form SET(M).

What you must do for your application to be valid

- Complete all sections of this form, if it is appropriate for your application, answering all the questions, providing all the information and completing, or ticking where appropriate, all the boxes that apply to you. If you are completing the form by hand it would be helpful if you could write in BLOCK letters and in black ink.
- Provide all the documents and photographs specified in Section 6 of this form. **All documents must be originals or photocopies certified as true copies by the issuing authority** (such as a photocopy of a building society passbook certified by a branch of the building society).
- Give a satisfactory explanation if you are unable at present to provide any of the documents or photographs with this form, and a reasonable timescale for their submission.
- Sign and date Section 7 as specified.

An invalid application will be returned to you or your representative, reducing the time available to make a valid application before your current leave to enter or remain runs out. To help avoid this, use the checklist on page 12.

Posting your application

Post the completed form to:

**Initial Consideration Unit – FLR(M)
Immigration and Nationality Directorate
Lunar House, 40 Wellesley Road,
Croydon, CR9 2BY**

It is in your interests to apply **4-5 weeks** before the last day of your leave to be in the UK. If you apply earlier than that, please note that your application may be delayed or refused if you are applying in a category that requires a specified period of time to be completed in order to qualify for further leave to remain. **Recorded Delivery** post helps us to record the receipt of your application; we recommend that you use it.

How to obtain another form

By telephoning the Application Forms Unit on **0870 241 0645**. **This number is for application form requests only.** For any other enquiries or assistance, the telephone number is **0870 606 7766**. You can also download application forms from the following Home Office website:

How long will it take to process your application?

In the first 3 months of 2002, the initial consideration of new applications took 6 weeks on average. We are working hard to reduce this to 3 weeks or less. **For current processing times, please see the information sheet enclosed with this form if you received it from the Application Forms Unit; or the "making an application" page on the Home Office website if you have access to the internet (see address on the front page).** We aim to decide most cases (at least 65%) on initial consideration. But if your case needs further consideration or enquiries, we will send you a letter informing you of this and telling you how long it may take. Any further enquiries needed could include visits by the Immigration Service.

How will your passport (s) and other documents be returned?

By Recorded Delivery (RD) in all cases, so there is no need to enclose your own postage.

Croydon and regional Public Enquiry Offices

If your application is urgent you may take it to the **Public Enquiry Office (PEO), Lunar House, 40 Wellesley Road, Croydon** (opening hours 9.00 to 4.00 Monday to Friday, excluding public holidays). If possible, PEO will complete a straightforward application with all necessary supporting documents/evidence on the day of your visit. If not, the application may be taken in for completion by post. **Please note that PEO will not deal with your application if it is made more than 4 weeks before the last day of your leave to enter or remain.** PEO accommodation is limited, so only applicants and any family members included in the application will be allowed into the building. Interpreters are available. **PEO deals only with personal callers.** It does not deal with third parties (eg advisers or representatives).

There are also 3 regional Public Enquiry Offices for personal callers only. Details are given below. The telephone numbers usually give only general information in a recorded message; they will not normally be able to advise you on whether your particular application can be dealt with by the PEO concerned.

Glasgow	Liverpool	Birmingham
Immigration Office Festival Court 200 Brand Street Govan Glasgow G51 1AR	Immigration Office Reliance House 20 Water Street Liverpool L2 8XU	Immigration Office Dominion Court 41 Station Road Solihull Birmingham B91 3RT
Monday to Friday 9.30am to 12.30pm 2pm to 4pm	Monday to Friday 9.00am to 4.00pm	Monday to Friday 9am to 3pm
Tel: 0141 419 1256	Tel: 0151 237 0473	Tel: 0121 606 7345

Immigration advisers

This form is designed to enable you to make your own application. If you consider it necessary to seek advice in completing it or in dealing with any other aspect of your application, you should take care when choosing an adviser. The Office of the Immigration Services Commissioner (OISC) regulates immigration advisers. Generally, only solicitors, barristers and legal executives who hold a practising certificate do not need OISC authorisation. Anyone else could be committing a criminal offence if they act on your behalf without being OISC authorised or otherwise exempted. If your adviser is not a solicitor, barrister or legal executive you should ask if they are OISC authorised. A list of OISC authorised advisers is on their website at www.oisc.gov.uk which has links to websites for solicitors, barristers and legal executives. To complain about an immigration adviser, call the OISC (tel 0845 000 0046 - calls charged at local rate) or write to OISC, 6th Floor, Fleetbank House, 2-6 Salisbury Square, London EC4Y 8JX.

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➤ Section 1 ~ About the Applicant

• Tell us your:

1.1 Full name	1.2 Family name
1.3 Nationality	1.4 Date of birth (01/Jan/1999)
1.5 Name at birth if different, and any other names by which you have been known	
1.6 Full address where you and your spouse or partner live in the UK (Please let us know if this changes)	
Postcode: <input type="text"/>	

- You do not have to provide the information requested in questions 1.7 to 1.10. But if you do, it will help us to process your application.

1.7 Your title Mr. <input type="checkbox"/> Mrs. <input type="checkbox"/> Miss <input type="checkbox"/> Ms <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ Name you want to be known by if different from that in 1.1	1.8 Your daytime telephone number (if you have one but not mobile numbers)
1.9 Your Home Office reference number if you have one (normally a letter followed by several numbers e.g. A999999)	
1.10 The address to which you would like us to return your passport(s)/documents and send any correspondence about your application if different from that in 1.6 (Please let us know of any change of address or representative)	
Postcode: <input type="text"/>	

➤ **Section 2 ~ Basis of Application**

- Tell us, by ticking the appropriate box, whether you are applying as a spouse or an unmarried partner. You must tick one box only.

As the spouse of a person present and settled in the UK

As the unmarried partner of a person present and settled in the UK

- Now complete Sections 3-7 as specified

➤ **Section 3 ~ Your Spouse or Unmarried Partner**

- Give us the following details about your spouse or unmarried partner:

3.1 Full name	3.2 Family name
3.3 His / her name at birth if different, and any other names by which he / she has been known	3.4 Nationality
3.5 His / her date of birth (e.g. 01/Jan/1999)	3.6 How long has he/she lived in the UK? Years: _____ Months: _____

➤ **Section 4 ~ Dependent Children**

4.1 Do you or your spouse or partner have any children from your marriage or relationship, or from previous relationships who are dependent on you or your spouse or partner?

Yes No

If you have answered yes to question 4.1 you must provide the information requested in the table below. If more than six children fall within this description please continue in the same format on a separate sheet and submit it with your application.

	First Child	Second Child	Third Child
Full Name			
Nationality			
Date of Birth (e.g. 01/Jan/1999)			
Relationship to applicant			
Relationship to applicant's spouse or partner			
Do they live with you in the UK?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Who pays for their support?			
Is the child applying for leave to remain in the UK with you with a view to settlement?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

	Fourth Child	Fifth Child	Sixth Child
Full Name			
Nationality			
Date of Birth (e.g. 01/Jan/1999)			
Relationship to applicant			
Relationship to applicant's spouse or partner			
Do they live with you in the UK?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Who pays for their support?			
Is the child applying for leave to remain in the UK with you with a view to settlement?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

➤ **Section 5 ~ Additional Questions**

5.1 Did you obtain an entry clearance as a spouse, fiancé(e) or unmarried partner before you entered the UK (see **Note 1**)? Yes No

*If you have answered yes to question 5.1, go to question 5.15 and then Section 6.
If you have answered no, you must answer all questions in this section.*

Note 1: An entry clearance is a visa or entry certificate issued abroad for the purpose of entry into the UK.

5.2 Have you been married before? Yes No

5.3 Has your spouse or partner been married before? Yes No

5.4 When did you meet your spouse or partner?	5.5 Where did you meet your spouse or partner?
5.6 When did you decide to marry or live together in a relationship akin to marriage?	5.7 When did you start living together?

5.8 Is your home in the UK:

- a) Owned by you or your spouse or partner or both?
- b) Rented from a local authority by you or your spouse or partner or both?
- c) Privately rented by you or your spouse or partner or both?
- d) Owned or rented by a relative or friend?
- e) A hotel or boarding house?
- f) Other (please give details) _____

5.9 Do you or your spouse or partner or both pay any mortgage or rent for your home? Yes No

If you have answered yes to question 5.9, how much do you or your spouse or partner or both pay each month?

£

5.10 Are you receiving any public funds (see **Note 2**)?

Yes No

5.11 Is your spouse or partner receiving any public funds (see **Note 2**)?

Yes No

Note 2: Under the Immigration Rules, "public funds" includes the following:

Housing and homelessness assistance, attendance allowance, severe disablement allowance, invalid care allowance, disability living allowance, income support, working families' tax credit, disabled person's tax credit, a social fund payment, council tax benefit, child benefit, income-based job seekers allowance and housing benefit.

A British Citizen or a person settled in the United Kingdom is entitled to claim benefits in their own right. If your sponsor is claiming benefits that he or she is entitled to, your application will not be affected **unless** your sponsor claims additional benefits as a result of your arrival in the UK.

Although child benefit is included in the list of public funds, if your claim to child benefit began before 7th October 1996 we will not consider that you have had recourse to public funds, if this is the only benefit that you are receiving.

*If you have answered **yes** to question 5.10, which of these are you receiving?*

*If you have answered **yes** to question 5.11, which of these is your spouse or partner receiving?*

5.12 Are you working in the UK?

Yes No

*If you have answered **yes** to question 5.12, what is your net pay each month?*

£

5.13 Is your spouse or partner working in the UK?

Yes No

*If you have answered **yes** to question 5.13, what is his / her net pay each month?*

£

5.14 Does a relative or friend of you or your spouse or partner or both regularly give you money?

Yes No

*If you have answered **yes** to question 5.14, how much money do you or your spouse or partner or both receive each month?*

£

5.15 Have you received a prison sentence in the UK or elsewhere?

Yes No

If you have answered **yes** to question 5.15, give details as required below for each prison sentence if more than one.

	First Sentence	Second Sentence	Third Sentence
Nature of offence			
Date sentenced			
Length of sentence			
Country where sentenced			

➤ Section 6 ~ Documentary Evidence

- **You must provide all the documents and photographs listed below. It would be helpful if all photographs could be stapled to page 3 of the form in the space provided. If you are unable to provide any of the documents with this form you must give a satisfactory explanation and a reasonable timescale for their submission.**
- **All documents must be originals or certified photocopies. Certified photocopies of documents must be certified as true copies by the issuing authority (such as a photocopy of a building society passbook that has been certified by a branch of the building society).**
- **It would be helpful if you could place a tick next to the relevant items to show which documents you are sending.**

- ▶ A recent passport sized photograph of yourself, with your name written on the back of the photograph.
- ▶ A recent passport sized photograph of your spouse or partner, with their name written on the back of the photograph.
- ▶ A recent passport sized photograph of each dependant aged 16 or over who is applying to remain in the UK with you with a view to settlement (*see question 4.1*), with each dependant's name written on the back of the photograph.
- ▶ Your unexpired passport or travel document.
- ▶ A full birth certificate (i.e. one which shows the parents' names) for each dependent child of your present marriage or relationship who is applying to remain in the UK with you with a view to settlement.
- ▶ Unexpired passport(s) or travel document(s) for each dependent child who is applying to remain in the UK with you with a view to settlement (*see question 4.1*).

- ▶ Documentary evidence showing that your spouse or partner is present and settled in the UK (see **Note 3**).

Note 3: The document(s) must be either:

- (a) **Your spouse or partner's current passport or travel document; or**
- (b) **if your spouse or partner does not have a current passport or travel document, other formal documents establishing that he/she is present and settled in the UK. If your spouse or partner is a British citizen without a passport, his/her full birth certificate (showing the parents' names) should be provided. This must be accompanied by at least one other formal document showing ordinary residence in the UK for the last three years. For example, any one of the following may be provided:**
 - i). **Notice of income tax coding**
 - ii). **Driving licence**
 - iii). **Building society passbook/ bank statement**
 - iv). **National Insurance/ National Health Service registration issued by the Department of Health, Department of Social Security, or a local health authority.**

List any such enclosures.

- ▶ Your civil marriage certificate (if you are applying as a spouse).
- ▶ Your police registration certificate (if you are required to register with the police).
- ▶ The police registration certificate(s) for each dependent child who is applying for leave to remain in the UK with you (if they are required to register with the police).
- ▶ If you have answered **yes** to question 5.2, and you are applying on the basis of marriage, a document (or documents) showing that you were free to marry your present spouse (see **Note 4**).

List any such enclosures

- ▶ If you have answered **yes** to question 5.3, and you are applying on the basis of marriage, a document (or documents) showing that your spouse was free to marry you (see **Note 4**).

List any such enclosures

Note 4: The document(s) must be formal documents such as documents confirming your, or your spouse's, divorce or a death certificate.

- ▶ If you are applying as an unmarried partner, documentary evidence that you and your partner have been living together in a relationship akin to marriage which has subsisted for 2 years or more (see **Note 5**).

Note 5: You must provide evidence that you and your partner have been living together in a relationship akin to marriage for 2 years or more. The evidence must take the form of documents showing that you and your partner have been living together for this period. For example, we would normally regard 5 items of correspondence addressed to you and your partner from the sources listed below over each of the past 2 years as acceptable evidence if they clearly show that you and your partner have been living at the same address (ie 10 items of correspondence in all). If you have not received any such correspondence that is addressed to you and your partner jointly, it is acceptable to provide 3 or 4 items addressed to one of you and 1 or 2 items addressed to the other partner during each of the past 2 years so long as they show the same address.

- (a) British Telecom, or other telecommunications company
- (b) British Gas, or other gas company
- (c) Electricity company
- (d) Water company
- (e) Local authority
- (f) Local social services department
- (g) Local health authority
- (h) Department of Health
- (i) Benefits Agency
- (j) Inland Revenue
- (k) Bank / building society
- (l) Employment service
- (m) Credit card statements of account
- (n) Insurance certificates complete with address
- (o) Mortgage agreement / tenancy agreement

- ▶ If you are required to complete all of Section 5 of this form, a document (or documents) showing that you have the financial resources to maintain and accommodate yourself and any dependants without recourse to public funds. The document(s) must be formal documents such as bank statements, a building society passbook, or wage slips for you and/or your spouse or partner. **Please do not send us cheques, travellers cheques or credit cards.** If a relative or friend is supporting you, then you may provide a letter from him/her confirming this together with formal documents showing his/her financial resources (see **Note 6**).

Note 6: We are unlikely to grant your application unless the documents establishing the financial resources available to you cover the last three months.

You and your spouse or partner must now complete Section 7

➤ **Section 7 ~ What To Do Now**

If you are applying as a spouse

- **You and your spouse must now read the declarations below and sign them. They must be signed by the applicant and spouse personally and not by a representative or other person acting on their behalf.**
- **By the applicant:**

I hereby apply for an extension of stay in the UK for myself, and any dependent children listed in this form, on the basis of my marriage to the person who has signed the declaration below. I declare that we are still married, that we are living together as husband and wife and intend to do so permanently. The information I have given is complete and is true to the best of my knowledge. I also declare that the photograph(s) submitted with this form is/are a true likeness of myself, my spouse and any dependants included in the application, as named on the back of each photograph.

I confirm that if, before this application is decided, there is a material change in my circumstances or new information relevant to this application becomes available I will inform the Home Office.

I understand that all information given by me will be treated in confidence but may be disclosed to other government departments, agencies, local authorities and other bodies to enable them to carry out their functions.

I am aware that it is an offence under the Immigration Act 1971, as amended by the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999, to make to a person acting in execution of the Act a statement or representation which the maker knows to be false or does not believe to be true, or to obtain or to seek to obtain leave to remain in the United Kingdom by means which include deception.

Signed: _____ **Date:** _____

- **By the applicant's husband or wife:**

I confirm that I am the husband/wife of the applicant. I declare that we are still married, that we are living together as husband and wife and intend to do so permanently.

I am aware that it is an offence under the Immigration Act 1971, as amended by the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999, to make to a person acting in execution of the Act a statement or representation which the maker knows to be false or does not believe to be true, or to obtain or seek to obtain leave to remain in the United Kingdom by means which include deception.

Signed: _____ **Date:** _____

If you are applying as an unmarried partner

- **You and your partner must now read the declarations below and sign them. They must be signed by the applicant and partner personally and not by a representative or other person acting on their behalf.**
- **By the applicant:**

I hereby apply for an extension of stay in the UK for myself, and any dependent children listed in this form, on the basis of my relationship with the person who has signed the declaration below. I declare that we are legally unable to marry under UK law, have been living together in a relationship akin to marriage which has subsisted for two years or more and intend to do so permanently. The information I have given is complete and is true to the best of my knowledge. I also declare that the photograph(s) submitted with this form is/are a true likeness of myself, my partner and any dependants included in the application.

I confirm that if, before this application is decided, there is a material change in my circumstances or new information relevant to this application becomes available I will inform the Home Office.

I understand that all information given by me will be treated in confidence but may be disclosed to other government departments, agencies, local authorities and other bodies to enable them to carry out their functions.

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Signed: _____ **Date:** _____

- **By the applicant's partner:**

I confirm that I am the partner of the applicant. I declare that we are legally unable to marry under UK law, have been living together in a relationship akin to marriage which has subsisted for two years or more and intend to do so permanently.

I am aware that it is an offence under the Immigration Act 1971, as amended by the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999, to make to a person acting in execution of the Act a statement or representation which the maker knows to be false or does not believe to be true, and to obtain or to seek to obtain leave to remain in the United Kingdom by means which include deception.

Signed: _____ **Date:** _____

Checklist for application form FLR(M)

Please make the following checks before sending off your application. They should help to ensure that your application is valid.

- Are you sure that form FLR(M) is the right form for your application? See Section 2 (page 4).
- Is the form still valid? See the date on the front page.
- Have you completed all sections of the form correctly as specified?
- Have you provided the following documents specified in Section 6 (pages 7 - 9)?
 - unexpired passport(s) or travel document(s) and photograph(s)
 - civil marriage certificate (if applicable)
 - police registration certificate(s) (if applicable)
 - evidence of financial resources
 - and any other documentary evidence specified in Section 6 which is required for your particular application
- If you are unable at present to provide any of the documents or photographs specified in Section 6, have you given an explanation and said when you will be able to provide them?
- Have you and your spouse or unmarried partner signed and dated the declarations in Section 7 of the form (page 10 or 11)?

Now make sure that you send the application to the correct address:

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Immigration and Nationality Directorate
Lunar House
40 Wellesley Road
Croydon CR9 2BY