



# QUARTERLY MEETING

14<sup>th</sup> October 2020

# Quarterly Meeting – Vice Chairman’s report Brexit update

The Ministry of the Interior has announced that the new site will open **in the morning of Monday 19 October** on <http://invite.contacts-demarches.interieur.gouv.fr/BREXIT>

Also, they recommend that people apply before the end of the transition period, i.e. before 31 December 2020. Clearly, the sooner the better as it is confirmed the new Carte de Séjour has to be obtained by 30<sup>th</sup> June 2021 **at the latest**.

**No application** is required from:

- those who also have French nationality
- those who applied to the No Deal site which was open between October 2019 and January 2020 **UNLESS** you have moved house to a different Département

The Ministry has the dossiers of those who applied to the No Deal site, and will process those applications automatically.

**All other UK nationals living in France need to apply through the new site**

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The Ministry says site will be simple and easy to use, only 3 or 4 documents will be required.

Precise requirements will not be known until the site opens. But from the conference call with the Ministry last Monday we expect the following:

- All applicants: UK passport and any French carte de séjour already held (even if expired)
- Those who have lived in France for more than 5 years: proof of residence from the beginning of the period + a proof of residence in 2020
- Those who have lived in France for less than 5 years: proof of residence in 2020, plus proof of status as
  - salaried worker - work contract or pay slips or *attestation d'employeur* or job offer
  - independent worker (freelance) - proof of registration as such + sales declarations
  - non-active - proof of living off own resources or e.g. pension statement
  - jobseeker - would get 6 months' permit, renewable once only

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Those who have a "paper" application pending at their préfecture should apply again on the new website.

International organisations - holders of *carte spéciale* - in theory should not apply for a post-Brexit residence permit, but how can they evidence that they are in scope of the Withdrawal Agreement?

Dual nationals UK/FR - the Ministry does not want them to apply, saying they do not issue residence permits to French nationals. But how can they evidence that they are in scope of the Withdrawal Agreement?

The procedure for students – whether they apply from their University address or their home address – needs to be clarified