DBS list of acceptable documents

There are 3 routes that can be taken; each route must be taken in chronological order

Route 1

Three documents in total must be seen; one document must come from Group 1 and a further two documents from Group 1, 2a or 2b. One document must verify the applicant's current address.

Route 2

One document must be seen from Group 2a and two further documents from Group 2a or 2b.

Route 3

A Certified copy of a UK Birth Certificate (UK and Channel Islands, issued 6 weeks after date of birth by the General Register Office/relevant authority) required to be seen plus four further documents must be seen from Group 2 comprising of one document from Group 2a and three further documents from Group 2a or 2b; one of which must verify the applicant's current address.

Group 1 – Primary Trusted Identity Credentials

- Current valid Passport
- Biometric Residence Permit (UK)
- · Current Driving Licence (UK, Isle of Man /Channel Islands) (Full or provisional)
- · Birth Certificate (UK and Channel Islands) issued WITHIN 6 weeks of date of birth;

Group 2a – Trusted Government/State Issued Documents

- Current UK Driving licence (old style paper version)
- Current Non-UK Photo Driving Licence (valid only for applicants residing outside of the UK at time of application)
- Birth Certificate (UK and Channel Islands) (issued 6 weeks AFTER date of birth by the General Register Office/relevant authority i.e. Registrars Photocopies are not acceptable)
- Marriage/Civil Partnership Certificate (UK and Channel Islands)
- Adoption Certificate (UK and Channel Islands)
- HM Forces ID Card (UK)
- Fire Arms Licence (UK and Channel Islands)

Group 2b – Financial/Social History Documents

- Mortgage Statement (UK or EEA)** (Non-EEA statements must not be accepted)
- Bank/Building Society Statement (UK or EEA)* (Non-EEA statements must not be accepted)
- Bank/Building Society Account Opening Confirmation Letter (UK)
- Credit Card Statement (UK or EEA)* (Non-EEA statements must not be accepted)
- Financial Statement ** e.g. pension, endowment, ISA (UK)
- P45/P60 Statement **(UK & Channel Islands)
- Council Tax Statement (UK & Channel Islands) **
- Work Permit/Visa (UK) (UK Residence Permit) **
- Utility Bill (UK)* Not Mobile Telephone
- Benefit Statement* e.g. Child Allowance, Pension
- A document from Central/ Local Government/ Government Agency/ Local Authority giving entitlement (UK & Channel Islands)*- e.g. from the Department for Work and Pensions, the Employment Service, Customs & Revenue, Job Centre, Job Centre Plus, Social Security
- · EU National ID Card
- Cards carrying the PASS accreditation logo (UK and Channel Islands)
- Letter from Head Teacher or College Principal (16/17 year olds in full time education (only used in exceptional circumstances when all other documents have been exhausted)

Please note:

If a document in the List of Valid Identity Documents is:

- Denoted with * it should be less than three months old
- Denoted with ** it should be issued within the past 12 months
- Not denoted it can be more than 12 months old