

# UK ETA Requirements

## Updates for Your 2025 Travel

From 2025, anyone travelling to the United Kingdom will need to apply for a UK ETA (Electronic Travel Authorisation) prior to their journey unless exempt. This new entry requirement applies regardless of the purpose of your visit.

### What is the UK ETA?

The UK ETA is a new entry authorisation for visitors from certain countries, similar to the ESTA for the USA or the ETA for Canada.

### Who Needs to Apply?

- **EU Nationals:** Applications open from 5 March 2025 for travel on or after 2 April 2025.
- **Non-EU Nationals:** Visitors, including those from visa-free countries, must apply for either a UK ETA or a visa based on the length and purpose of the visit. Applications are already open for non-EU nationals travelling on or after 8 January 2025. Please check the UK Government website for detailed guidance.

### Exemptions

- British and Irish passport holders, diplomats, and those with existing permission to enter or remain in the UK do not require a UK ETA.

### Key Information

- **Validity:** A UK ETA is valid for two years and allows visits of up to six months. It is applicable for entry by air, land, and sea.
- **Cost:** The application fee is £10 (approximately 13 USD).
- **Processing Time:** Applications are typically processed within three working days.
- **Travelling with Children:** Each family member, regardless of age, needs their own UK ETA.
- **New/Multiple Passports:** A new passport requires a new UK ETA. Be sure to travel with the passport linked to your UK ETA.

For further information, please visit the [UK Government website](#).

Learn more about the new EES and ETIAS requirements for European travel in 2025 by visiting the [European Union website](#).

Should you have any queries or need assistance, our team is here to support you with your travel needs.

***We look forward to welcoming you to the United Kingdom!***