

# GMS Flash Alert

## Immigration Edition

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# Ireland - COVID-19: No Further Extensions to Residence Permissions

Ireland's Immigration Service Delivery (ISD) has announced that there are currently no plans for further extensions to valid residence permissions past 31 May 2022. Since March 2020, ISD has extended valid residence permissions nine times, in light of the pandemic, allowing individuals to remain in the state until 31 May 2022.<sup>1</sup>

For prior coverage, see [GMS Flash Alert 2021-315](#), 22 December 2021.

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### WHY THIS MATTERS

Employers should note that employees covered by the extensions to 31 May 2022, need to have their residence permissions renewed ahead of this deadline.

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### Notice for Employers

- ISD is experiencing a high volume of applications with a current ten-week processing time expected for renewal applications.
- If an Irish Residence Permit (IRP) has expired by 31 May 2022, individuals are legally permitted to remain in Ireland if they can demonstrate they have applied to renew their permission and are waiting for the renewal to process.
- Prospective employees seeking to take up employment under these arrangements can print a copy of the notice from ISD and provide this to their employer. The "Notice for Employers – May 2022" issued by the Department of Justice does not cover employment permits that are issued by the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment.
- Visa-required foreign nationals should be aware they must still hold a valid "in date" IRP or entry visa to travel back into Ireland.

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## KPMG NOTE

For advice on this changing situation, please contact your usual qualified immigration counsel or a member of the Corporate Immigration and Employment Law Team with KPMG in Ireland (see the Contact Us section below).

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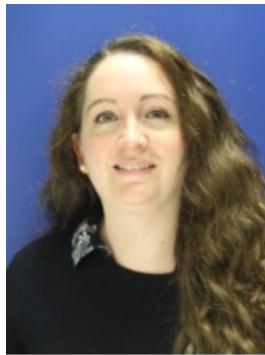
## FOOTNOTE:

1 See Department of Justice, "Notice for Employers – May 2022" at: <https://www.irishimmigration.ie/notice-for-employers-may-2022/> .

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