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Immigration Edition

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Ireland - Travel Instructions for Visa-Required Beneficiaries of Temporary Protection

Ireland has extended immigration permissions for all beneficiaries of Temporary Protection to 4 March 2024 (for prior coverage, see our recent <u>GMS Flash Alert</u>). Ireland's Immigration Service Delivery has now provided new instructions for re-entering the state on an expired Temporary Protection Certificate for visa-required nationals.¹

WHY THIS MATTERS

This newest announcement provides clarity on how visa-required nationals who have been granted Temporary Protection status may travel outside of Ireland and safely return to the state, and what they need to do to be in compliance.

Effective 16 February 2023, all foreign nationals living in Ireland with a Temporary Protection Certificate (also known as a "yellow paper") will not need to apply for a new Temporary Protection Certificate. This should reduce administrative burdens and save time for such foreign nationals.

More Details

If an individual wishes to travel internationally and return to Ireland, an expired Temporary Protection Certificate may be used to re-enter the country until 4 March 2024. Foreign nationals intending to travel under these arrangements should print the notice available on Immigration Service Delivery's website and present it, along with their expired Temporary Protection Certificate or Irish Residence Permit card, to the immigration authorities and airline carriers, as requested.

Foreign nationals with Ukrainian citizenship, or nationals of any other country that is not visa-required for Ireland do not need to take any additional steps.

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Nationals of countries that are visa-required for Ireland must contact <u>temporaryprotection@justice.ie</u> well in advance of departure to ascertain they are in possession of the necessary documentation to re-enter Ireland without a visa. Failure to do so in advance of travel will require the individual to apply for a separate visa to re-enter Ireland.

Further Information

More information can be found on:

- Immigration Service Delivery
- Travel Confirmation Notice
- The following Temporary Protection Renewals FAQs
- By contacting temporaryprotection@justice.ie.

KPMG INSIGHTS

Generally, individuals fleeing the war in Ukraine have been granted temporary protection status since the conflict began on 24 February 2022. This includes Ukrainian nationals residing in Ukraine before 24 February 2022, and some third-country nationals who were residing in Ukraine before 24 February 2022. Subject to such individuals having temporary protection status, they have immediate access to the labour market, along with access to social welfare, accommodation, and other state supports including health-care and education.

If employers or individuals have questions regarding Temporary Protection (who is eligible, what entitlements are available, how to undertake registration of the immigration permission, etc.) and require further advice and assistance they should consult with their qualified immigration counsel or they can contact a member of the Immigration and Employment Law team with KPMG Law in Ireland (see the Contacts section).

FOOTNOTE:

1 Department of Justice webpage "<u>Travel Confirmation Notice</u>" (For Beneficiaries of Temporary protection, benefitting from the extension of the Temporary Protection Directive up to 4th March 2024).

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