

FAMILY REUNION CHECKLIST

VISA APPLICATIONS ARE ASSESSED ON THE INFORMATION PROVIDED ON THE APPLICATION FORM AND DOCUMENTS SUBMITTED. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ABOUT APPLYING FOR A VISA GO TO www.vfs-uk-ug.com AND www.ukvisas.gov.uk . IN ORDER TO ASSESS YOUR VISA APPLICATION, YOU ARE ADVISED TO SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING AND ANY OTHER DOCUMENTS YOU CONSIDER RELEVANT TO YOUR APPLICATION.

YOU ARE ADVISED TO SUBMIT ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS, ACCOMPANIED BY PHOTOCOPIES. ALL BANK STATEMENTS SHOULD ORIGINATE FROM THE ISSUING BANK AND SHOULD NOT BE INTERNET PRINTOUTS. SUCH STATEMENTS MAY NOT BE ACCEPTED. FOR DOCUMENTS ORIGINATING OVERSEAS, LEGALLY CERTIFIED COPIES WILL BE ACCEPTED.

VFS WILL ONLY ADVISE ABOUT DOCUMENTARY REQUIREMENTS.

ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS MAY BE RETAINED BY THE BRITISH HIGH COMMISSION, IF YOU DO NOT SUBMIT COPIES.

1.	Completed VAF in Black Ink			
2.	Appropriate passport size picture (as per guidance)			
3.	Valid national passport or travel document [IF HELD] (at least 6 months validity)			
4.	Photocopy of passport/travel document data page			
5.	UNHCR registration document for each applicant [IF AVAILABLE].			
6.	IOM TB certificate (if aged 11 and over).			
7.	Copy of the passport and immigration status document(s) for United Kingdom sponsors:			
A.	Home Office issued immigration status document endorsed with Indefinite Leave to Enter but with no reference to refugee status. This is not Family Reunion		C.	Home Office issued travel document with reference to 28 July 1951 Refugee Convention. Go to 08 below
B.	Home Office issued travel document or certificate of travel without reference to 28 July 1951 Refugee Convention. This is not Family Reunion		D.	Home Office issued immigration status document endorsed 'Refugee Status under 1951 Convention'. [N.B. the duration on the sponsor's vignette may be Indefinite or Limited Leave to Remain: post 30/8/05 recognised refugees have grants of 5 years limited leave. Where the sponsor has limited leave for 5 years an applicant may only qualify under 352A, 352AA or 352D NOT settlement]. Go to 08 below
8.	Where sponsor is recognised refugee (see 6 C - D above) the category of the application is determined according to the status of the applicant as follows:			
	An applicant married to/entered into a civil partnership with the sponsor in United Kingdom prior to the sponsor leaving his/her country of habitual residence*. Family Reunion Application gratis		An applicant who is the minor (under 18) dependant child of the sponsor and who was born/lived with the sponsor prior to the sponsor leaving his/her country of habitual residence*. Family Reunion Application gratis	

*N.B. Country of Habitual Residence is not determined by an applicant's nationality and may, in certain circumstances, be other than the applicant's country of origin.

Declaration:

The British High Commission checks for forged documents submitted with all applications. I, _____ am aware that I need to provide sufficient evidence in support of my application for entry clearance and that failure to do so, may result in my application being refused. I am also aware that BHC will make enquiries with relevant institutions who will release personal information and I agree to the release of such information. In addition, I am aware that should I submit non-genuine documents or make false representations, my application will be refused.

Signature _____ **Date** _____

Staff Initial:

Date: