

How To Access Your Digital Record of Exemption

- **Open a UKVI Account** - This can be done at: <https://www.gov.uk/evisa/set-up-ukvi-account>. They also have useful videos on how to do this: [How to create a UKVI account and access your eVisa: video - GOV.UK](#)
 - If you have a previous visa application number (a reference beginning with GWF) you can use this. For example – a visit visa, skilled worker visa or graduate visa.
 - Non-Visa Nationals may not have any of these.
 - When it asks if you have ever had a biometric permit – state no if you only have exemption from immigration control.
 - It asks if you have a visa or immigration application number? State 'No' if you only have exemption stamp or you haven't got your previous reference number.
 - You will receive the message below:

You need a BRP number or a previous visa or immigration application number

You need a biometric residence permit (BRP) number or an application number. This is to help us find a record of your immigration status.

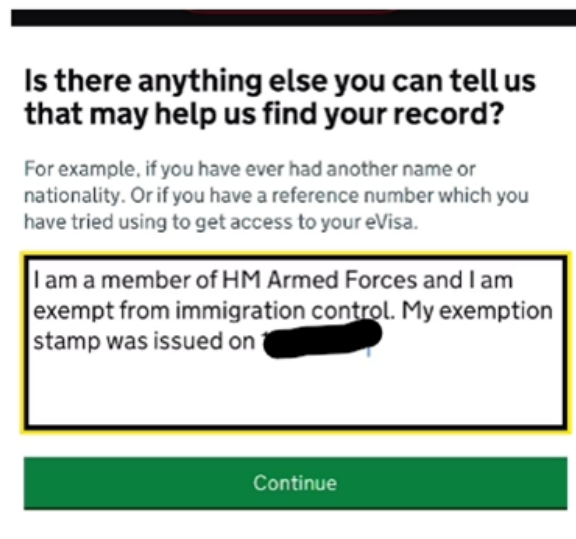
Your application number will usually be on the decision notification we sent you when you last made a visa or immigration application.

If you do not have your BRP number or a visa or immigration application number

We may be able to find one of your previous application numbers. To access this service, [use the 'Request your reference number to get access to your eVisa' form \(opens in new tab\)](#).

- Click the link that comes up to request your reference number <https://www.request-reference-evisa.homeoffice.gov.uk/>

- Follow the process for requesting your number.
- For the question “Is there anything else.....” Put the words below and add the date your exemption commenced



Is there anything else you can tell us that may help us find your record?

For example, if you have ever had another name or nationality. Or if you have a reference number which you have tried using to get access to your eVisa.

I am a member of HM Armed Forces and I am exempt from immigration control. My exemption stamp was issued on [REDACTED]

Continue

- UKVI will send you a GWF reference number or a UAN Number. You should then be able to link your e-visa on your UKVI account.
- **Link e-visa - <https://apply-to-visit-or-stay-in-the-uk.homeoffice.gov.uk/dashboard/>**
- Once you have your DRE, you can request a share code - <https://view-immigration-status.service.gov.uk/status>
- For further support you can view these helpful videos: [eVisa support videos - GOV.UK](#)

As this is a new system, please do report back to Naval Families Federation if you encounter any difficulties setting up a UKVI and accessing and your Digital Record of Exemption. We can then report this back to the Home Office through our Channels.

Email NFF on immigration@nff.org.uk