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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN IMMIGRATION RULES

Laid before Tynwald on 18 June 2024 under section 3(2) of the Immigration Act 1971 (an Act of Parliament as extended to the Isle of Man by the Immigration (Isle of Man) Order 2008 (SI 2008 no. 680))

The Minister for the Treasury has made the following changes to the Immigration Rules laid down as to the practice to be followed in the administration of the Immigration Act 1971¹ (of Parliament) as it has effect in the Isle of Man² for regulating entry into and the stay of persons in the Isle of Man and contained in the Statement laid before Tynwald on 17 May 2005³.

Commencement

The changes set out in this Statement of Changes in Immigration Rules come into effect on 01 July, 20244.

Changes to Introduction

In paragraph 6 (interpretation), for the definition of "Must not be leading an Int.1 independent life" substitute —

""Must not be leading an independent life" or "is not leading an independent **life**" means that the person —

- (a) does not have a partner; and
- (b) is living with their parent (except where they are at boarding school, college or university as part of their full-time education).

Where a relative other than a parent may act as the sponsor or carer of the person, references in this definition to living with their "parent" shall be read as applying to that other relative.".

Int.2 In paragraph 6 (interpretation), omit the definition of "Permitted Paid Engagement visitor".

Int.3 In paragraph 6 (interpretation), after the definition of "Week" insert —

¹ 1971 c. 77.

² See the Immigration (Isle of Man) Order (S.I. 2008 No 680).

³ S.D. 62/05 amended by S.D.692/05, S.D. 442/06, S.D. 547/06, S.D. 781/06, S.D. 871/06, S.D. 124/07, S.D. 303/07, S.D. 534/07, S.D. 02/08, S.D. 500/08, GC 32/09, GC 35/09, GC 14/10, GC 26/10, GC 02/11, SD 518/11, SD 40/12, SD 0288/12, SD 0625/12, SD 0657/12, SD250/13, SD 302/13, SD 345/13, SD 2014/0004, SD 2014/0082, SD2014/34, SD 2014/241, SD2014/314, SD2014/324, SD2015/0265, SD2015/303, SD2015/0386, SD2016/0092, SD2016/0175, SD5016/0211, SD2017/0066, SD2017/0183, SD2017/0314, SD2018/0084, SD2018/0134, SD2018/0328, SD2019/0119, SD2019/0143, SD2019/0330, SD2019/0380, SD2020/0011, SD2020/0070, SD2020/0088, SD2020/0140, SD2020/0316, SD2020/0344 SD2020/0467, SD2020/0497, SD2021/0002, SD2021/0155, SD2021/0216, SD2021/0304, SD2021/0358, SD2022/0052, SD2022/0083, SD2022/0155, SD2022/0325, SD2023/0068, SD2023/0202, SD2023/0312, SD2023/0237, SD2024/0052 and SD2024/0051.

⁴ Tynwald procedure – negative, in accordance with section 3(2) of the Immigration Act 1971.

""Wet Lease Agreement" has the same meaning as 'wet lease agreement' in Regulation (EC) No 1008/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council.".

Changes to Part 1: General Provisions regarding leave to enter or remain in the Isle of Man

- 1.1 In paragraph 11A(d), for ".", substitute "; or".
- 1.2. In paragraph 11A, after subparagraph (d), insert
 - "(e) a person aged 18 or under, studying at a school or educational institution in France registered with the French Ministry of Education and seeking to enter the Isle of Man as part of a school party of 5 or more pupils organised by that school or institution.".
- 1.3. In paragraph 11B, for "sub-paragraphs (b) to (d)", substitute "subparagraphs (b) to (e)".
- 1.4. After paragraph 11B, insert
 - "11C. For the purposes of paragraphs 11A(e) and VN 7.0, that person must be listed in one of the following two authenticated Information Forms, which have been completed by and are in the possession of an adult arriving at the border with responsibility for supervising the party's travel -
 - (a) for those entering through the UK, the "France-UK School Trip Travel Information Form" (published by the Home Office on the gov.uk website); or
 - (b) for those entering the Isle of Man directly from outside the UK, the "France-IOM School Trip Travel Information Form" (published by the Isle of Man Immigration Service on the gov.im website)."
- 1.5 For paragraph A34 (how to make a valid application for leave to remain in the Isle of Man), substitute
 - "A34. Paragraphs 34 and 34A apply to an application made under the following Rules
 - (a) Part 5, paragraphs 184 to 185 (Airport based operational ground staff of an overseas-owned airline);

- (b) Part 6A, paragraphs 245D to 245DF (Tier 1 (Entrepreneur) Migrants);
- (c) Part 6A, paragraphs 245E to 245EF (Tier 1 (Investor) Migrants);
- (d) Part 8: Family Members;
- (e) Appendix FM: Family Members;
- (f) Appendix W: Immigration Rules for Workers.".
- 1.6 For paragraph 34A (invalid occupations) substitute
 - "34A. Subject to paragraph 34B, an application for permission to stay which does not meet the requirements of paragraph 34 will be rejected as invalid and not considered.".
- 1.7 After paragraph 38, omit paragraphs A39, B39 and C39.

Changes to Part 7: Other categories

- 7.1 For paragraph 276A(b) (long residence in the Isle of Man), substitute
 - "(b) "lawful residence" means residence which is continuous residence pursuant to
 - (i) existing leave to enter or remain, except this cannot include time with entry clearance or permission under Appendix V: Visitor, or any relevant predecessor routes; or
 - (ii) an exemption from immigration control, including where an exemption ceases to apply if it is immediately followed by a grant of leave to enter or remain.

"lawful residence" does not include time spent on immigration bail, temporary admission, or temporary release.".

Changes to Appendix ECAA Extension of Stay

APP ECAA1. For paragraph ECAA 1.3 (validity requirements for an ECAA worker or ECAA business person on the ECAA Extension of Stay route), substitute —

- "ECAA 1.3. An application which does not meet all the validity requirements for the ECAA Extension of Stay route may be rejected as invalid and not considered.".
- APP ECAA2. For paragraph ECAA 7.3 (validity requirements for dependent partner and dependent child on the ECAA Extension of Stay route), substitute
 - "ECAA 7.3. An application which does not meet all the validity requirements for a partner or child on the ECAA Extension of Stay route may be rejected as invalid and not considered.".
- APP ECAA3. After ECAA 9.1 (entry requirement for a dependant child on the ECAA Extension of Stay Route), insert
 - "ECAA 9.2. A person applying for entry clearance as a partner or child on the ECAA Extension of Stay route must, if Appendix Tuberculosis applies, provide a valid medical certificate confirming that they have undergone screening for active pulmonary tuberculosis and that this tuberculosis is not present in them.".

Changes to Appendix English Language

APP EL1 For paragraph EL 1.1 (exemption), substitute —

- "EL1.1. An applicant for settlement is exempt from the English language requirement if at the date of application any of the following apply
 - (a) they are aged 65 or over; or
 - (b) they are aged under 18; or
 - (c) they have a disability (physical or mental condition) which prevents them from meeting the requirement.".

APP EL2 Omit paragraph EL 1.2.

APP EL4 For paragraph EL 6.1, substitute —

"English Language test

EL 6.1. An applicant will meet the English language requirement if they have provided a valid digital reference number from an approved

provider showing they have passed an approved English language test to the required level in the two years before the date of application.

The list of approved tests and providers, updated from time to time, can be found at https://www.gov.uk/guidance/prove-your-english-language-abilities-with-a-secure-english-language-test-selt#approved-test-providers-and-approved-tests.".

Changes to Appendix FM: Family Members

APP FM1. In paragraph E-LTRC.1.6 (relationship requirements), after "under this Appendix" omit "(except as an adult dependent relative)".

Changes to Appendix Hong Kong British Nationals (Overseas)

APP HK.1 For HK 1.4, substitute —

"HK 1.4. An application which does not meet all the validity requirements for a BN(O) Status Holder may be rejected as invalid and not considered.".

APP HK.2 For HK 3.2, substitute —

"HK 3.2. A person applying for entry clearance as a BN(O) Status Holder must, if Appendix Tuberculosis applies, provide a valid medical certificate confirming that they have undergone screening for active pulmonary tuberculosis and that this tuberculosis is not present in them.".

APP HK.3 In HK 7.1(b) for "Appendix T" substitute "Appendix Tuberculosis".

APP HK.4 For HK 10.3, substitute —

"HK 10.3. An application which does not meet all the validity requirements for a partner or BN(O) Household child on the BN(O) Status Holder route may be rejected as invalid and not considered.".

APP HK.5 In HK 12.2 for "paragraph A39 and Appendix T" substitute "Appendix Tuberculosis".

APP HK.6 For HK 13.5, substitute —

- "HK 13.5. If the applicant and the BN(O) Status Holder are not married or in a civil partnership, all the following requirements must be met
 - (a) they must have been in a relationship similar to marriage or civil partnership for at least 2 years before the date of application; and
 - (b) any previous relationship of the applicant or the BN(O) Status Holder with another person must have permanently broken down; and
 - (c) they must not be so closely related that they would not be allowed to marry in the Isle of Man.".

APP HK.7 In HK20.1(b) for "Appendix T" substitute "Appendix Tuberculosis".

APP HK.8 For HK 23.6, substitute —

"HK 23.6. An application which does not meet the validity requirements for the BN(O) Household Member route may be rejected as invalid and not considered.".

APP HK.9 For HK 25.2, substitute —

"HK 25.2. A person applying for entry clearance as a BN(O) Household member must, if Appendix Tuberculosis applies, provide a valid medical certificate confirming that they have undergone screening for active pulmonary tuberculosis and that this tuberculosis is not present in them.".

APP HK.10 In HK29.1(b) for "Appendix T" substitute "Appendix Tuberculosis".

APP HK.11 For HK 32.4, substitute —

"HK 32.4. An application which does not meet the validity requirements for a dependent partner or dependent child on the BN(O) Household Member route may be rejected as invalid and not considered.".

APP HK.12 For HK 34.2, substitute —

"HK 34.2. A person applying for entry clearance as the partner or child a BN(O) Household member must, if Appendix Tuberculosis applies, provide a valid medical certificate confirming that they

have undergone screening for active pulmonary tuberculosis and that this tuberculosis is not present in them.".

APP HK.13 For HK 35.5, substitute —

- "HK 35.5. If the applicant and the BN(O) Household Member are not married or in a civil partnership, all the following requirements must be met
 - (a) they must have been in a relationship similar to marriage or civil partnership for at least 2 years before the date of application; and
 - (b) any previous relationship of the applicant or the BN(O) Household Member with another person must have permanently broken down; and
 - (c) they must not be so closely related that they would not be allowed to marry in the Isle of Man.".

APP HK.14 In HK42.1(b) for "Appendix T" substitute "Appendix Tuberculosis".

APP HK.15 For HK 45.5, substitute —

"HK 45.5. An application which does not meet the validity requirements for a BN(O) Adult Dependent Relative on the Hong Kong British National (Overseas) route may be rejected as invalid and not considered.".

APP HK.16 For HK 47.2, substitute —

"HK 47.2. A person applying for entry clearance as a BN(O) Adult Dependent Relative on the Hong Kong British National (Overseas) route must, if Appendix Tuberculosis applies, provide a valid medical certificate confirming that they have undergone screening for active pulmonary tuberculosis and that this tuberculosis is not present in them."

APP HK.17 In HK52.1(b) for "Appendix T" substitute "Appendix Tuberculosis".

APP HK.18 For HK 55.3, substitute —

"HK 55.3. An application which does not meet the validity requirements for

settlement on the BN(O) route may be rejected as invalid and not considered.".

Changes to Appendix KoLL: Knowledge of Language and Life

APP K.1 For paragraph 2.3 substitute —

- "2.3. For the purposes of sub-paragraph (1), an applicant demonstrates sufficient knowledge about life in the United Kingdom and Islands if they
 - (a) provide a valid certificate from an educational institution or other person approved for this purpose by the Minister showing they have passed the Life in the United Kingdom and Islands test; or
 - (b) provide a valid certificate or valid digital reference number from an educational institution or other person approved for this purpose by the Secretary of State showing they have passed the Life in the UK test; or
 - (c) provide a valid digital reference number or certificate from an educational institution or other person approved for that purpose by the Lieutenant Governor of Guernsey or Jersey showing they have passed the Citizenship Test.".

Changes to Appendix T: Tuberculosis Screening

APP T.1 Omit Appendix T: Tuberculosis Screening.

Insertion of Appendix Tuberculosis

APP TB.1 Before Appendix U: Ukraine Scheme, insert —

"Appendix Tuberculosis (TB)

This appendix sets out when a person is required to provide a valid TB certificate with their application for entry clearance and the requirements for a TB certificate to be valid.

TB1. A person must provide a valid TB certificate with their application if paragraph TB2 applies, and they are applying for entry clearance to come to the Isle of Man —

- (a) for more than 6 months, except for applications made under Appendix U: Ukraine Scheme; or
- (b) as a fiancé(e) or proposed civil partner under Appendix FM: family members; or
- (c) as a returning resident in accordance with paragraphs 18 to 20 of Part 1 (general provisions regarding leave to enter or remain in the Isle of Man).
- TB2. A valid TB certificate is required if the applicant has been continuously present in a country or countries listed at TB6 for 6 months or more, which includes a period (of any length) within the 6 months before the date of application.
- TB3. A TB certificate is valid only if it —
- (a) was issued by a medical practitioner approved by the Secretary of State for the purpose of these rules, as listed on the Gov.uk website; and
- (b) confirms that the applicant has undergone screening for active pulmonary tuberculosis and that this tuberculosis is not present in the applicant; and
- (c) was issued within the 6-month period immediately before the date of application; and
- (d) has not expired.
- TB4. A person may be required to provide a new valid TB certificate before the application for entry clearance is granted, if —
- (a) the TB certificate provided with their application expired more than 6 months before the date on which the application is considered; and
- (b) the applicant otherwise meets the requirements to be granted entry clearance.
- TB5. The decision maker may waive the requirement to provide a valid TB certificate if they are satisfied that the applicant is unable to obtain a certificate and it is reasonable to waive the requirement on the specific facts of the case.
- TB6. The list of countries for the purpose of TB2 is —

- Afghanistan
- Algeria
- Angola
- Armenia
- Azerbaijan
- Bangladesh
- Belarus
- Benin
- Bhutan
- Bolivia
- Botswana
- Brunei Darussalam
- Burkina Faso
- Burma
- Burundi
- Cambodia
- Cape Verde
- Central African Republic
- Chad
- Cameroon
- China
- Congo
- Congo Democratic Republic
- Côte d'Ivoire
- Democratic People's Republic of Korea
- Djibouti
- Dominican Republic
- Ecuador
- Equatorial Guinea
- Eritrea
- Ethiopia
- Gabon
- Gambia
- Georgia
- Ghana
- Guatemala
- Guinea
- Guinea Bissau
- Guyana
- Haiti
- Hong Kong or Macau
- India
- Indonesia

- Iraq
- Kazakhstan
- Kenya
- Kiribati
- Korea
- Kyrgyzstan
- Laos
- Lesotho
- Liberia
- Madagascar
- Malawi
- Malaysia
- Mali
- Marshall Islands
- Mauritania
- Micronesia
- Moldova
- Mongolia
- Morocco
- Mozambique
- Namibia
- Nepal
- Niger
- Nigeria
- Pakistan
- Palau
- Papua New Guinea
- Panama
- Paraguay
- Peru
- Philippines
- Russian Federation
- Rwanda
- Sao Tome and Principe
- Senegal
- Sierra Leone
- Solomon Islands
- Somalia
- South Africa
- South Sudan
- Sri Lanka
- Sudan
- Suriname

- Swaziland
- Tajikistan
- Tanzania
- Thailand
- Timor-Leste
- Togo
- Turkmenistan
- Tuvalu
- Uganda
- Ukraine
- Uzbekistan
- Vanuatu
- Vietnam
- Zambia
- Zimbabwe".

Changes to Appendix V: Visitors

- APP V.1 In the introduction, in the fifth paragraph, for "There are 4 types of visitor:" substitute: "There are 3 types of visitor:".
- APP V.2 In the introduction, in the fifth paragraph, omit the third bullet: "Permitted Paid Engagement visitor: for experts in their field coming to the Isle of Man to undertake specific paid engagements for up to one month.".
- APP V.3 In V 4.4(a), omit "or the Permitted Paid Engagements in V 12.3".
- APP V.4 In V 4.6 after (f) insert
 - "(g) the permitted paid engagements listed in V 12.3, providing the requirements in V 12.1 and V 12.2 are met.".
- APP V.5 In paragraph V 6.3(b) for "paragraph A39 and Appendix T" substitute "Appendix Tuberculosis".
- APP V.6 For V 9.1, substitute
 - "V 9.1. An academic applying for a 12-month entry clearance must
 - (a) intend to undertake one (or more) of the following activities for up to 12 months —
 - (i) take part in formal exchange arrangements with Isle of Man

counterparts (including doctors); or

- (ii) carry out research for their own purposes, if they are on sabbatical leave from their home institution; or
- (iii) if they are an eminent senior doctor or dentist, take part in research, teaching or clinical practice, provided this does not amount to filling a permanent teaching post; and
- (b) be highly qualified within their own field of expertise; and
- (c) currently be working in that field at an academic institution or institution of higher education overseas; and
- (d) if Appendix Tuberculosis applies, provide a valid medical certificate confirming that they have undergone screening for active pulmonary tuberculosis and that this tuberculosis is not present in them.".

APP V.7 For V 12.1, substitute —

"V 12.1. Where the applicant is seeking to come to the Isle of Man to undertake a permitted paid engagement, they must be aged 18 or over when they enter the Isle of Man.".

APP V.8 In V 12.3(c) omit "Isle of Man Civil Aviation Administration or".

APP V.9 In V 12.3(f), for "." substitute: "; and".

APP V.10 In V 12.3, after sub-paragraph (f), insert —

"(g) a speaker coming to the Isle of Man to give a one-off or short series of talks and speeches, where they have been invited to a conference or other event.".

APP V.11 In V 14.2, for sub-paragraph (a), substitute —

- "(a) continue to intend to
 - (i) take part in formal exchange arrangements with Isle of Man counterparts (including doctors); or
 - (ii) carry out research for their own purposes, if they are on sabbatical leave from their home institution; or

(ii) if they are an eminent senior doctor or dentist, take part in research, teaching or clinical practice, provided this does not amount to filling a permanent teaching post; and".

APP V.12 In V16.1(b) omit "or the Permitted Paid Engagements".

APP V.13 For V16.2, substitute —

"V16.2 Entry clearance and permission to enter as a Visitor will be granted for the periods set out in the following table —

	Visitor type	Maximum initial length of stay in the Isle of Man
(a)	Standard Visitor	up to 6 months except:
		(i) a Visitor who is coming to the Isle of Man
		for private medical treatment may be
		granted entry clearance for up to 11 months;
		(ii) an academic (or the accompanying
		partner or child of such an academic), who is employed by an overseas
		institution and is carrying out the
		specific permitted activities at V 9.1 (a),
		may be granted entry clearance for up to
		12 months;
		(iii) a Visitor under the Approved
		Destination Status Agreement may be
		granted entry clearance for up to 30 days.
(b)	Marriage/Civil	up to 6 months
	Partnership	
	Visitor	
(c)	Transit Visitor	up to 48 hours, except for permission to enter as a
		Transit Visitor under the Transit Without Visa
		Scheme which may be granted until 23:59 hours on
		the next day after the day the applicant arrived in
		the Isle of Man

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APP V.14 In V16.3(c), for "Appendix Visitor: Permitted Activities at PA 11.2." substitute "V 9.1 (a),".

Changes to Appendix: Visitors – Appendix Visitor: Visa national list

"Exception where the Visitor is a person aged 18 or under on an organised trip from a school in France

VN 7.0. Nationals or citizens of any country who are aged 18 or under, studying at a school or educational institution in France registered with the French Ministry of Education and seeking to enter the Isle of Man as part of a school party of 5 or more pupils organised by that school or institution, do not need entry clearance before they travel to the Isle of Man as a Visitor."

Changes to Appendix V: Visitors – Appendix Visitor: Permitted Activities

APP PA.1 For PA 1, substitute —

"PA 1. Visitors are permitted to undertake the following activities —

	Visitor type	Visitors of this type can
(a)	Standard	do all permitted activities in Appendix Visitor:
	Visitor	Permitted Activities, except Visitors under the
		Approved Destination Status Agreement may only do
		the activities in PA 2(a).
(b)	Marriage/Civil	marry or form a civil partnership, or give notice of
	Partnership	marriage or civil partnership, and do all permitted
	Visitor	activities in Appendix Visitor: Permitted Activities,
		other than study as described in PA 17 and the
		permitted paid engagements in PA 19.
(c)	Transit Visitor	transit the Isle of Man as described in PA 18.
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APP PA.2 In PA 4 (g), for "." substitute: "; and".

APP PA.3 After PA 4 (g), insert —

"(h) undertake activities relating to their employment overseas remotely from within the Isle of Man, providing this is not the primary purpose of their visit.".

APP PA.4 For PA 5, substitute —

- "PA 5.1. An employee of an overseas based company may
 - (a) advise and consult; and

- (b) trouble-shoot; and
- (c) provide training; and
- (d) share skills and knowledge; on a specific internal project with Isle of Man employees of the same corporate group.
- PA 5.2. An employee of an overseas based company may also undertake the activities in PA 5.1 directly with clients, providing
 - (a) the employee's movement is in an intra-corporate setting and any client facing activity is incidental to their employment abroad; and
 - (b) these activities are required for the delivery of a project or service by the Isle of Man branch of the Visitor's employer overseas, and are not part of a project or service that is being delivered directly to the Isle of Man client by the Visitor's employer overseas.".

APP PA.5 In PA 9.1(g), for "." substitute: "; or".

APP PA.6 After PA 9.1(g), insert —

"(h) between 01 March and 31 October a pilot or cabin crew member may work in the Isle of Man temporarily under the terms of a UK Civil Aviation Authority approved Wet Lease Agreement, providing they remain employed and remunerated overseas.".

APP PA.7 For PA 11.1, substitute —

- "PA 11.1. Academics, scientists, and researchers may
 - (a) take part in formal exchange arrangements with Isle of Man counterparts (including doctors); and
 - (b) collaborate, gather information and facts, or conduct research, either for a specific project which directly relates to their employment overseas, or independently; and
 - (c) if they are an eminent senior doctor or dentist, take part in research, teaching or clinical practice, provided this does not

amount to filling a permanent teaching post.".

APP PA.8 Omit PA 11.2.

APP PA.9 For PA 12.2, substitute —

- "PA 12.2. An overseas lawyer may provide legal services including
 - (a) advice; and
 - (b) appearing in arbitrations; and
 - (c) acting as an arbitrator or mediator; and
 - (d) acting as an expert witness; and
 - (e) appearing in court in jurisdictions which allow short term call or where qualified in that jurisdiction; and
 - (f) conferences, teaching; and
 - (g) providing advocacy for a court or tribunal hearing; and
 - (h) litigation; and
 - (i) transactional legal services, including drafting contracts.".

APP PA.10 After PA 18 (transit), insert —

"Permitted Paid Engagements

PA 19. A Visitor may undertake the permitted paid engagements in V 12.3, providing they are completed within 30 days of the Visitor's entry to the Isle of Man, and the requirements of V 12.1 to V 12.2 are met.".

Changes to Appendix W: Immigration Rules for Workers

APP W.1 In paragraph 1.1(1)(aa) substitute —

"1.1(1)(aa) For Worker (Seasonal) Migrants the salary the migrant is to be paid must be declared and must be a minimum of £20,800 per annum. However, in all cases, the pay must be compliant with regulations made under the Minimum Wage Act 2001 (of Tynwald).".

- APP W.2 In paragraph 2.2(1)(m), after "2215 Dental practitioners" insert "2216 Veterinarian"
- APP W.3 In paragraph 2.4(5) after 'nurse', for "or midwife," substitute
 - ", midwife or veterinarian,".
- APP W.4 In Part 6 (confirmation of employment), for paragraph 6.2(3A) (requirements to be met for the issuance of Confirmation of Employment) substitute
 - "6.2(3A) For Worker (Seasonal) Migrants the salary the migrant is to be paid must be declared and must be a minimum of £20,800 per annum. However, in all cases, the pay must be compliant with regulations made under the Minimum Wage Act 2001 (of Tynwald).".

Changes to Appendix X: Immigration Rules for Business Migrants

- APP X.1 In Part 7 (specific requirements Business Migrant (Innovator), in paragraph 7.3(2)(a) (endorsement criteria new business) substitute
 - "7.3(2)(a) (a) The Migrant's business plan demonstrates that the proposed business expects to employ
 - (i) a minimum of 1 full-time, permanent employee in the Island, in addition to the employment of the Migrant, within the first 12 months of the period for which the visa is issued; and
 - (ii) a minimum of 3 full-time, including (i) above, permanent employees, in addition to the employment of the Migrant, within the first 36 months of the period for which the visa is issued.".

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Explanatory Note Statement of Changes in Immigration Rules SD 2024/0110

(This note is not part of the Statement of Changes in Immigration Rules)

This Statement of Changes in Immigration Rules makes the following changes:

Changes to Introduction

- 1. Changes to the definition of leading an independent life to allow for the applicant to be classed as not leading an independent life if they work full-time and also removes the need of reliance on parental support financially and/or emotionally. These changes reflect those made in the Statement of Changes laid before Parliament on 7 September 2023.
- 2. Deletion of the definition of "Permitted Paid Engagement Visitor" and the insertion of a definition for "Wet Lease Agreement" in relation to the Appendix V: Visitors. These changes reflect those made in the Statement of Changes laid before Parliament on 7 December 2023.

Changes to Part 1: General Provisions regarding leave to enter or remain in the Isle of Man

- 3. Changes to travel document requirements for school groups visiting the Isle of Man from France. These changes allow children aged 18 and under, studying at a school in France, to visit the Isle of Man on an organised educational trip without passports or visit visas, as is currently required on all other visits to the UK and Isle of Man.
- 4. The changes allow EU/EEA/Swiss national children aged 18 and under, who are resident and studying at a school in France, to use national identity cards to visit the Isle of Man on an organised school trip instead of passports. The changes also provide for visa national children aged 18 and under, who are resident and studying at a school in France, to be able to visit the Isle of Man on an organised school trip without obtaining a visit visa (but we will still require passports).
- 5. Changes to paragraph A34 to improve clarity and consistency so that the list of routes to which paragraphs 34 and 34A apply is listed, rather than the routes that do not apply.
- 6. The removal of paragraphs A39, B39 and C39 relate to the deletion of Appendix: Tuberculosis Screening and introduction of the Appendix Tuberculosis (TB) which provides consistency on the TB requirement.
- 7. The changes reflect those made in the Statement of Changes laid before Parliament on 7 September 2023 and 7 December 2023.

Changes to Part 7: Other categories

8. Amendments to clarify lawful residence in relation to long residence. These changes reflect those made in the Statement of Changes laid before Parliament on 7 December

Changes to Appendix ECAA: Extension of Stay

- 9. Amendments to the definitions to clarify the full title of the route, adding "Extension of Stay", and to clarify validity requirements for partners and children for valid applications.
- 10. New paragraph ECAA 9.2 states the requirement of a valid medical certificate for tuberculosis for a person applying for entry clearance as a partner or child in relation to the Appendix Tuberculosis (TB).
- 11. The changes reflect those made in the Statement of Changes laid before Parliament on 7 September 2023.

Changes to Appendix English Language

12. Amendments to align the Appendix with the UK Immigration Rules.

Changes to Appendix FM: Family members

13. The omission of "except as an adult dependent" relating to leave to remain or enter (LTR) as a child dependent applicant to align with the UK Immigration Rules common requirements relating to age, independent life, care and relationship requirements. These changes reflect those made in the Statement of Changes laid before Parliament on 7 September 2023.

Changes to Appendix Hong Kong British Nationals (Overseas)

- 14. The changes clarify validity requirements for applications in-line with the simplification of Immigration Rules.
- 15. The changes reflect those made in the Statement of Changes laid before Parliament on 7 September 2023 and 7 December 2023.

Changes to Appendix: KoLL

16. The change removes inconsistencies in the Immigration Rules compared to those of the other Crown Dependencies, Guernsey and Jersey, to allow for fulfilment of the English Language requirement in the Isle of Man via a Life in the United Kingdom and Islands test when passed by a Migrant in Guernsey and Jersey.

Introduction of Appendix Tuberculosis (TB)

- 17. The new Appendix Tuberculosis replaces the Appendix T: Tuberculosis Screening to provide clarity and consistency on the TB requirements for entry clearance and requirements for an applicant's TB certificate to be valid.
- 18. All references to Appendix T have been deleted throughout the Immigrations Rules,

substituted with Appendix Tuberculosis. These changes reflect those made in the Statement of Changes laid before Parliament on 7 September 2023.

Changes to Appendix V: Visitors

19. The changes:

- a. amend the permitted intra-corporate activities to remove the prohibition on working directly with clients and introduce a requirement that client facing activity is incidental to the visitor's employment abroad and does not amount to the offshoring of a project or service to their overseas employer;
- b. clarify that visitors are permitted to work remotely whilst they are in the Isle of Man but that remote working must not be the primary purpose of their visit;
- c. allow flight crew to come to the Isle of Man as part of a UK Civil Aviation Authority approved wet lease arrangement between the months of March and October. This will incorporate an existing concession currently operated outside of the rules into the Visitor rules;
- d. allow scientists, researchers and academics to conduct research in the UK as part of their visit;
- e. expand the permitted activities for legal professionals;
- f. allow speakers at conferences to be paid for this activity, by inclusion in the list of Permitted Paid Engagements (PPE);
- g. move the provisions of the Permitted Paid Engagement Visitor route into the Standard Visitor route. This means all visitors will be able to undertake Permitted Paid Engagement without the need for a special visa; and
- h. provide clarity and on the validity requirements for applications.
- 20. The changes reflect those made in the Statement of Changes laid before Parliament on 7 September 2023 and 7 December 2023.

Changes to Appendix W: Immigration Rules for Workers

- 21. The change adds veterinarian to the list of professional occupations which automatically fulfil the English Language requirement under Appendix KoLL by way of registration under a professional body, as laid before Tynwald on 20 June 2023.
- 22. An amendment is being made to state Worker (Seasonal) Migrants pay must be compliant with regulations made under the Minimum Wage Act 2001 (of Tynwald).

Changes to Appendix X: Immigration Rules for Business Migrants

23. The change amends terminology for the use of 'date of visa' instead of the 'date of letter of

endorsement' to clarify the Migrant's requirement of employing a minimum of one full-time employee (within 12 months) and subsequently two more full-time employees (within 36 months).