

Press Release

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Macao SAR Passport holders can use UK's Registered Traveller Service

The Identification Services Bureau has been confirmed by the British Consulate-General in Hong Kong that Macao SAR Passport holders are eligible to join the UK's Registered Traveller Service (RTS). Upon approval and payment, applicants can enter and exit the UK using either the ePassport gates or by using the UK/EU entry lane at designated airports without the need to fill in a landing card, which will expedite the clearance of Macao SAR Passport holders through the UK border.

RTS's applicants must be 18 years old or above, have an eligible visa or visited the UK at least four times in the last 24 months and have a valid Macao SAR Passport. Currently, it costs £70 to join for the first year and £50 to renew thereafter.

Eligible persons can apply online for the Registered Traveller membership and will get a decision on their application within 10 working days. Applicants who have passed the preliminary assessment will still need to use the "other passports" lane and fill in a landing card next time they travel to the UK. The UK immigration officer will check if the applicants meet the relevant criteria and will tell them that they can become members if they do.

Currently, RTS's members can use the expedited clearance service at the airports in Birmingham, East Midlands, Edinburgh, Gatwick, Glasgow, Heathrow, London, Luton, Manchester and Stansted, as well as Eurostar terminals in Brussels, Lille and Paris.

For the latest information of the Registered Traveller service, please visit the website of the UK Government (<https://www.gov.uk/registered-traveller>).

For the list of countries where Macau SAR Passport holders can use the automated immigration clearance system, please visit the website of the Identification Services Bureau (www.dsi.gov.mo/download/ep_autogate_e.pdf).