Maintenance requirements

For applications made after 25th November 2016

You will need an additional £680 per month per dependant, for each month of leave your dependant would be granted, up to the maximum of 9 months and NOT the length of your course of studies.

Examples

Non-sponsored students

• 1 main Tier 4 applicant + 3 Dependents

You will need £1015 x 9 months (or length of course, if shorter) PLUS (£680 x 3) x 9 months (or length of leave, if shorter)

Students with an Official Financial Sponsor

(Please refer to the Tier 4 policy guidance for definition of ‘official financial sponsor’).

• 1 main Tier 4 applicant + 3 Dependants

Per month, you will need: [£1015 + (£680 x 3 person)] – sponsorship amount

If your sponsorship amount does not cover the maintenance requirement, you need to show the remaining balance in your bank statement.

Example: You are required to show £3055 in the example above, but your official sponsorship is only £2000 per month. You will therefore need to show the balance of (£3055 - £2000) x 9 months (or length of leave to be granted, if shorter) in your bank statement.

If your dependants leave would be granted for a period of time longer than your sponsor letter shows, even if fully sponsored, you will require additional funds in your own account to show this time if less than 9 months.

If you have dependants named on the official sponsor letter that are not applying for a visa when you make your application. You must write a letter to explain why they are not making an application as your dependant.

Remember: you must show that you have held the required money for a consecutive 28 day period (finishing on the date of the closing balance) ending no more than 31 days before your application.

Remember: Dependants must be lawfully present in the UK at the time of application. Please tell the helpdesk staff that you are applying with dependants in order to receive a longer appointment time.

Dependants not renewing their visa

If you currently have family with dependant visas who are not renewing their visa when you are. You must write a letter to explain why they are not applying to be your dependant this time.
This example answers questions about a dependant partner or spouse.

1. Add any dependants by clicking here, even though your form is not yet complete.

2. You can see this now relates to your dependant. In this example the dependant is the partner. The following questions should be completed with their details. We will only go into depth for questions specific to dependants. For other questions refer to the previous handout as their answers will be in the same format as your own.
4. **Any other names**

Are you now or have you ever been known by another name?
This includes your maiden name and other names you use or have used in the past.

☐ Yes  ☐ No

5. **Applicant contact details**

Contact details have been entered for you, but you can edit them if they are incorrect.

6. **Your gender and relationship status**

What is your gender, as shown in your passport or travel document?

7. **Your nationality, date and country of birth**

You must enter all the nationalities you hold.

8. **Your passport**

Do you have your passport, or a copy of the information on the photo page?

9. **Your current immigration status**

Are you currently a dependant of a points based migrant?

☐ Yes  ☐ No

Save and continue

10. **Main applicant relationship**

What is your relationship to this partner?

☐ Married  ☐ Civil Partnership  ☐ Unmarried

Save and continue

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Your dependants contact details including correspondence address will be copied from your form.

Dependant partners will also need to provide evidence that they live at the same address as the main application (bank statement/utility bill/NHS registration card)

If your partner is not currently your dependant you will need to supply additional documents to prove the relationship.
11. **Current relationship status**

Are you still in a relationship with this partner?

- Yes
- No

Save and continue

12. **Dependant's length of stay**

Does this dependant intend to stay in the UK beyond any period of leave the main applicant is granted?

- Yes
- No

Save and continue  Cancel

13. **Police registration**

During your current or last grant of leave in the UK, were you required to register with the police?

14. **Biometric residence permit (BRP)**

Do you have a biometric residence permit?

This is a card with your name, nationality and picture. It describes your entitlement to be in the UK.

15. **Your National Insurance number**

What is your current National Insurance number?

Example: QG 12 34 56 C
Problems with immigration to the UK

Problems with immigration to countries other than the UK

Working as a trainee doctor or dentist

Are you currently working as or do you intend to work as a doctor or dentist in training?

- No
- Yes, as a trainee doctor
- Yes, as a trainee dentist

Public funds

Have you ever received any public funds (money) in the UK?
This includes benefits for people on low incomes, such as housing or child benefits.

Convictions and other penalties

At any time have you ever had any of the following, in the UK or in another country?
Only select one answer at a time. If you need to give more than one answer, you can do so on another page.

War crimes

In either peace or war time have you ever been involved in, or suspected of involvement in, war crimes, crimes against humanity, or genocide?

Terrorist activities

Have you ever been involved in, supported or encouraged terrorist activities in any country?

Terrorist organisations

Have you ever been a member of, or given support to, an organisation which has been concerned in terrorism?
Have you ever been previously related to your current partner or spouse? If you have select ‘Yes’ and you will be given a number of options to choose from.

You will see a summary of all your answers. Scroll to the bottom and click continue.

When you click continue you will be back at screen as number 1 above and you will be able to add another dependant.
This example answers questions about a dependent child. Some questions are age specific and may not always appear on your application form.

When you choose to add another dependant you will see that you are now only able to select ‘dependent child’.

You can see this now relates to your dependant. In this example the dependant is a child. The following questions should be completed with their details. We will only go into depth for questions specific to dependants. For other questions refer to the previous handout.
Any other names
Are you now or have you ever been known by another name?
This includes your maiden name and other names you use or have used in the past.

☐ Yes  ☐ No

Applicant contact details
Contact details have been entered for you, but you can edit them if they are incorrect.

Your gender and relationship status
What is your gender, as shown in your passport or travel document?

Your nationality, date and country of birth
You must enter all the nationalities you hold.

Your passport
Do you have your passport, or a copy of the information on the photo page?

Do you currently have a valid visa or leave to remain as a dependant of a points-based system (PBS) migrant?

☐ Yes  ☐ No

Save and continue

Child's independent life
Has this child formed an independent family unit or are they living an independent life?
For example, this child is living with their partner, has children of their own, is in full-time employment, or is financially independent

☐ Yes  ☐ No

Save and continue

Your dependants contact details including correspondence address will be copied from your form.

If your child is not currently your dependant you will need to supply additional documents to prove the relationship.
If both parents are in the UK you won’t be asked the second and third questions. If you answer ‘No’ to any of these questions you may be asked to provide further information or documentary evidence.

If you answer yes to this the form will ask for further details.
Police registration

During your current or last grant of leave in the UK, were you required to register with the police?

Biometric residence permit (BRP)

Do you have a biometric residence permit?
This is a card with your name, nationality and picture. It describes your entitlement to be in the UK.

Your National Insurance number

What is your current National Insurance number?
Example QQ12 34 56 C

Problems with immigration to the UK

Problems with immigration to countries other than the UK

Public funds

Have you ever received any public funds (money) in the UK?
This includes benefits for people on low incomes, such as housing or child benefits.

This will only appear if your dependent child is 16 years old or over.

For all children under 18 you will need to choose who will be accompanying them to enrol their biometrics. You will be given the option of choosing the main applicant or spouse/partner if applicable.

Remove this applicant

Responsible adult for biometrics

You must have an adult of at least 18 years old with you when you give your biometrics. The adult must be able to prove who they are.

What do they need to bring?

Who will the adult be?

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○

○ A person not on this application

Save and continue
Once you’ve chosen who will be accompanying your child the form will ask you if that person is their parent/legal guardian. You will choose ‘Yes’.

These questions only appear for any dependent children over 10 years old.

Relationship to
Is your parent or legal guardian?

Yes  No

Convictions and other penalties
At any time have you ever had any of the following, in the UK or in another country? Only select one answer at a time. If you need to give more than one answer, you can do so on another page.

War crimes
In either peace or war time have you ever been involved in, or suspected of involvement in, war crimes, crimes against humanity, or genocide?

Terrorist activities
Have you ever been involved in, supported or encouraged terrorist activities in any country?

Terrorist organisations
Have you ever been a member of, or given support to, an organisation which has been concerned in terrorism?

Terrorist views
Have you, by any means or medium, expressed views that justify or glorify terrorist violence or that may encourage others to commit terrorist or other serious criminal acts?
If your dependant is over 16 at the time of application you will require two of the following pieces of evidence to show that they are still living with you at your home address.

Choose 2 of the following to send with your other documents. Both documents must show your address:

- A bank statement
- A credit card bill
- A driving licence
- An NHS Registration document
- A letter from your current school, college or university

Save and continue

Check the answers you’ve given for this dependant and then click continue to return to screen 26. Repeat for each child you are adding to your application.