DBS – identification documents required

You need to provide three documents from the following list, including:

- at least one from Group 1, and
- at least one with your address on it.

Group 1: Primary identity documents

Document	Notes	
Passport	Any current and valid passport	
Biometric residence permit	UK	
Current driving licence photocard – (full or provisional)	UK, Isle of Man, Channel Islands and EU	
Birth certificate – issued at time of birth	UK and Channel Islands – including those issued by UK authorities overseas, eg embassies, High Commissions and HM Forces	
Adoption certificate	UK and Channel Islands	

Group 2a: Trusted government documents

Document	Notes	
Current driving licence photocard – (full or provisional)	All countries outside the EU (excluding Isle of Man and Channel Islands)	
Current driving licence (full or provisional) – paper version (if issued before 1998)	UK, Isle of Man, Channel Islands and EU	
Birth certificate – issued after time of birth	UK and Channel Islands	
Marriage/civil partnership certificate	UK and Channel Islands	
HM Forces ID card	UK	
Firearms licence	UK, Channel Islands and Isle of Man	

Group 2b: Financial and social history documents

Document	Notes	Issue date and validity
Mortgage statement	UK or EEA	Issued in last 12 months
Bank or building society statement	UK and Channel Islands or EEA	Issued in last 3 months
Bank or building society account opening confirmation letter	UK	Issued in last 3 months
Credit card statement	UK or EEA	Issued in last 3 months
Financial statement, eg pension or endowment	UK	Issued in last 12 months
P45 or P60 statement	UK and Channel Islands	Issued in last 12 months
Council Tax statement	UK and Channel Islands	Issued in last 12 months
Work permit or visa	UK	Valid up to expiry date
Letter of sponsorship from future employment provider	Non-UK or non-EEA only – valid only for applicants residing outside of the UK at time of application	Must still be valid
Utility bill	UK – not mobile telephone bill	Issued in last 3 months
Benefit statement, eg Child Benefit, Pension	UK	Issued in last 3 months
Central or local government, government agency, or local council document giving entitlement, eg from the Department for Work and Pensions, the Employment Service, HMRC	UK and Channel Islands	Issued in last 3 months
EU National ID card	_	Must still be valid
Cards carrying the PASS accreditation logo	UK and Channel Islands	Must still be valid
Letter from head teacher or college principal	UK – for 16 to 19 year olds in full time education – only used if other documents cannot be provided	Must still be valid