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## Provisional smart card pilot

- **Public consultation underway**
- **EU Directives do not apply to the UK learner (provisional) licence**
- **Will pilot in Wales from next summer for 12 months**
- **Benefits for driving test centres/police**
- **Evaluate result and recommend all GB provisionals and full licences once EU sanction standards**



UK country update –  
National Identity Service

# Introducing the National Identity Service (NIS)

- A new way to prove identity more securely, and more conveniently.
- A comprehensive and secure way of recording – and using - basic personal identity information
- Available to people over 16 years old who **legally reside or work in the UK.**
- Specifically, it includes:
  - The National Identity Register
  - Biometric visas;
  - Enhanced passports (for all ages); and
  - Identity cards, including biometric immigration documents.
- Supported by legislation, including the Identity Cards Act 2006, and subsequent regulations

## Benefits of the NIS

- **Make life easier** by providing UK citizens and EEA nationals with an easy and convenient means of proving their identity;
- **Help protect individuals from identity theft** and fraud by providing a simple, universal means of proving their identity
- **Reassure us all** that workers in positions of trust, such as people working airside at airports, are who they say they are;
- **Protect the country** from illegal immigration and help reduce illegal employment;
- **Make it harder for criminals** to use false or multiple identities and thus help protect us all from crime and terrorism; and
- **Help transform public services** provided to the customer in order to drive efficiency and service quality.

## Progress over the past year

<b>2008</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Delivery Plan 2008 published for consultation</li><li>• Contract signed to build the technical solution for 'Early Interest' groups &amp; critical workers</li><li>• Market enrolment prospectus published Draft secondary legislation published for consultation</li><li>• Identity cards for non-EEA foreign nationals launched</li></ul>
<b>First half 2009</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Signed contracts to build key parts of our modernised application and enrolment process and our biometric system (April)</li><li>• Secondary legislation laid before Parliament (May)</li><li>• Appointment of Identity Commissioner, Public Panels and Experts Group</li></ul>



## Looking forward to the next 12 months

<b>Second half 2009</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Scheme Commissioner and Public Panels start work</li><li>• Complaints process finalised and published</li><li>• Service Charter developed and published</li><li>• <b>Identity cards begin to be issued to British citizens, and to ‘critical workers’ at Manchester and London City airports</b></li><li>• 75,000 cards issued to foreign nationals by November</li></ul>
<b>2010</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Volumes of cards in circulation begin to increase</li><li>• Identity cards begin to be issued to young people</li><li>• Primary legislation published to enable choice between a passport and an identity card</li></ul>

**Thank You/Danke**

**Questions?**

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