



# Illegal Migration Act 2023

## 2023 CHAPTER 37

### *Entry, settlement and citizenship*

#### **37 Amendments relating to sections 32 to 36**

- (1) The British Nationality Act 1981 is amended as follows.
- (2) In section 3 (acquisition of British citizenship by registration: minors), after subsection (6) insert—
  - “(7) This section is subject to sections 31, 32 and 36 of the Illegal Migration Act 2023 (restriction of eligibility for citizenship etc).”
- (3) In section 4 (acquisition of British citizenship by registration: British overseas territories citizens etc), after subsection (6) insert—
  - “(7) This section is subject to sections 31, 32 and 36 of the Illegal Migration Act 2023 (restriction of eligibility for citizenship etc).”
- (4) In section 4A (acquisition of British citizenship by registration: further provision for British overseas territories citizens), after subsection (2) insert—
  - “(3) This section is subject to sections 31, 32 and 36 of the Illegal Migration Act 2023 (restriction of eligibility for citizenship etc).”
- (5) In section 5 (acquisition of British citizenship by registration: British overseas territories citizens having connection with Gibraltar), at the beginning insert “Subject to sections 31, 32 and 36 of the Illegal Migration Act 2023 (restriction of eligibility for citizenship etc),”.
- (6) In section 6 (acquisition of British citizenship by naturalisation), after subsection (2) insert—
  - “(3) This section is subject to sections 31, 32 and 36 of the Illegal Migration Act 2023 (restriction of eligibility for citizenship etc).”
- (7) In section 10 (registration as British citizen following renunciation of citizenship of UK etc), after subsection (4) insert—

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- “(5) This section is subject to sections 31, 32 and 36 of the Illegal Migration Act 2023 (restriction of eligibility for citizenship etc).”
- (8) In section 13 (resumption of British citizenship), after subsection (3) insert—
- “(4) This section is subject to sections 31, 32 and 36 of the Illegal Migration Act 2023 (restriction of eligibility for citizenship etc).”
- (9) In section 17 (acquisition of British overseas territories citizenship by registration: minors), after subsection (6) insert—
- “(7) This section is subject to sections 31, 33 and 36 of the Illegal Migration Act 2023 (restriction of eligibility for citizenship etc).”
- (10) In section 18 (acquisition of British overseas territories citizenship by naturalisation), after subsection (3) insert—
- “(4) This section is subject to sections 31, 33 and 36 of the Illegal Migration Act 2023 (restriction of eligibility for citizenship etc).”
- (11) In section 22 (right to registration as British overseas territories citizen replacing right to resume citizenship of UK etc), after subsection (4) insert—
- “(5) This section is subject to sections 31, 33 and 36 of the Illegal Migration Act 2023 (restriction of eligibility for citizenship etc).”
- (12) In section 24 (renunciation and resumption of British overseas territories citizenship), at the beginning insert “Subject to sections 31, 33 and 36 of the Illegal Migration Act 2023 (restriction of eligibility for citizenship etc).”.
- (13) In section 27(1) (registration of minors as British overseas citizens), at the beginning insert “Subject to sections 31, 34 and 36 of the Illegal Migration Act 2023 (restriction of eligibility for citizenship etc).”.
- (14) In section 32 (registration of minors as British subjects), at the beginning insert “Subject to sections 31, 35 and 36 of the Illegal Migration Act 2023 (restriction of eligibility for citizenship etc).”.

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**Commencement Information**

**II** S. 37 in force at Royal Assent, see [s. 68\(3\)\(a\)](#)

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**Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:**

- Act excluded by [2024 c. 8 s. 2\(5\)\(a\)](#)

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 39(4A) inserted by [2024 c. 8 s. 7\(2\)](#)