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Identity card registration - official notice

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**IMPORTANT**  
**NOTICE**



**NATIONAL  
REGISTRATION  
ACT**

# IDENTITY CARDS

**YOUR IDENTITY CARD must now be completed by the entry of your usual residence and signed and dated on the righthand inside page.**

Persons over 16 years of age must do this for themselves unless they are at boarding school or are inmates of an institution. In that case the head of the school or institution will enter the address and see that the Card is signed by the pupil or inmate.

The Cards of children under 16 must be filled up, signed and dated by the parents or other persons having charge of them. The child's age or date of birth must be written on the Card under the child's name.

The Identity Cards of children under 16 and persons over 16 at boarding school or in institutions must be kept by the parents or persons having charge of them. Other persons over 16 are advised to carry their Identity Cards with them on all occasions, in case they may be called upon to produce them.

You must keep carefully the Identity Card of which you are the holder. If it is lost, destroyed, damaged or defaced, you must at once apply for its replacement at your local National Registration Office. If you find some other person's lost Identity Card, you must at once hand it in at a Police Station or National Registration Office. A reward will be paid.

If you find your lost Identity Card after you have had it replaced, you must hand it in at once at your local National Registration Office. It is an offence, punishable under the National Registration Act by a fine or imprisonment or both, to keep it. It is also an offence to retain in your possession or in your house any other Identity Card which ought to have been previously surrendered, such as the card of a deceased person or man who has joined the Armed Forces, or a card which has been found or which you are unable to deliver to the rightful owner. All such cards must at once be delivered up at the local National Registration Office.

### REMOVALS

To avoid unnecessary notifications of changes of address, the rule as to removals has been simplified. The new rule is that your registered address must be one at or through which the authorities can get into touch with you, if necessary. If your registered address is that of your home or usual residence, notice need not be given of any temporary absences from that address, either on holiday or business or for attendance at boarding school or college, so long as you have arranged that your whereabouts are known to your relatives or members of your household at the registered address, and can be ascertained on enquiry there by properly authorised persons. But if you change your home or lodgings altogether, you must register the new address at the National Registration Office for the area of that address. You will have committed an offence if owing to your neglect the authorities are unable to get into touch with you at your registered address.

A new address must be registered at the National Registration Office for the area in which the new address is situated. You should attend there in person and must **produce your Identity Card** in order that the address thereon may be officially corrected. The Office can be found by enquiry at the local Council Offices or at any local Police Station.

**J. KENNEDY ALLERTON,**  
**National Registration Officer.**

**Town Hall, Worthing,**  
**17th June, 1940.**