

Name Change Guidance

Some handy links with information and advice about changing your name

Changing your name

- Guidance and advice from the charity Mermaids
<https://mermaidsuk.org.uk/changing-your-name/>
- Information from the charity Gendered Intelligence
<https://genderedintelligence.co.uk/projects/kip/transitioning/name.html>
- Check lists of who needs to be informed of a name change and other useful places to share it
<https://www.gires.org.uk/documents-to-be-changed-upon-gender-transition/>
<https://genderedintelligence.co.uk/projects/kip/transitioning/docs.html>

Changing official documents

- Guidance specifically for trans people wishing to update their passport or apply for a new one
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/applying-for-a-passport-information-for-transgender-and-transsexual-customers>
- Information about applying for a new passport (follow C: "Changes")
https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1010932/01.06.21_English_Guidance_Booklet.pdf

Enhanced DBS

Organisations do not need to request deadnames. Trans people can complete their DBS via the 'sensitive applications' route without disclosing their deadname to their employer.

- Information regarding the sensitive applications route
<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/transgender-applications>

Bank

You only need your deed poll to change your name with the bank. It should be treated exactly the same as changing your name due to marriage.

- An example of one bank's instructions for changing your name as a customer
<https://www.tsb.co.uk/search/?q=change%20name>

GRC

- Guidance on how to get a Gender Recognition Certificate
<https://mermaidsuk.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2019/12/gender-recognition-guide.pdf>
- Apply for a Gender Recognition Certificate
<https://gic.nhs.uk/info-support/gender-recognition-certificate/>
- A checklist of documents you'll need to apply for a GRC
<https://www.gov.uk/apply-gender-recognition-certificate/what-documents-you-need>

Free deed poll generator

- <https://freedeedpoll.org.uk/>

