

Immigration Bulletin – 17/2025

The purpose of this immigration bulletin is to provide a monthly snapshot of significant regulatory updates with respect to entry requirements and common errors recorded while performing document verification during our operations. It aims at promoting awareness, minimizing the risk of future operational issues at airports, and reducing fines and costs associated to possible mistakes. For any queries please contact: centraleoperativasicurezza@ita-airways.com and aviationsecurity@ita-airways.com

DESTINATION UNITED KINGDOM

Please be informed that the new United Kingdom series D e-Passport has been introduced from 1st December 2025.



All previous UK passport types continue to be accepted and will remain valid for travel until their expiry date.

There will be a short crossover period whilst stocks of the Series C ePassport are used up.

DESTINATION INDIA

With reference to the new e-arrival cards (see Immigration Bulletin 16/2025), Indian Border authorities are reporting many passengers arriving at DEL with e-arrivals cards only and **without any visa**. Please note that the e-arrival card is **not** a substitute for a visa and that all applicable nationals must present both a valid visa and e-arrival card when entering India. Additionally, a significant number of passengers continue to use “physical” arrival cards which will soon no longer be issued by local authorities upon arrival. Therefore passengers should be strongly encouraged to use the digital option.

The e-Arrival Card can be completed up to 72 hours before arrival through the official Indian Visa Online website <https://indianvisaonline.gov.in/earrival/>, the Indian Visa Su-Swagatam Mobile APP or the BOI website (<https://boi.gov.in>), submitting passenger’s details such as passport information, contact details, purpose of visit and address in India