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CA 01 2025: Fake / Spurious UK e-visas encountered

Summary

There has been an increase in the number of passengers presenting fake/ spurious UK transit e-visas, usually in the form of digital images shown on phones. These documents have been fabricated with the intention of deceiving carriers. **These documents are not valid for travel.** Examples of these fake/ spurious UK transit e-visas are shown on the next page.

Main text

The main detection point is that the documents purport to be UK transit visas, however it is important to note that **UK transit visas (including DAT visas) CANNOT be issued as e-visas.** UK transit visas continue to be printed on paper stickers/vignettes inside passports.

The only proof of a valid e-visa is either the “Valid Permission to Travel Found” iAPI message that is displayed in the carrier’s own computer system, or a functional share code that has been checked by the carrier on www.gov.uk. The check-in agent must be able to see the appropriate iAPI message, **or** a functional share code, to be satisfied that a passenger has a valid e-visa. If neither of these conditions is met, then the passenger does not have an e-visa.

Grammatical and spelling errors have been noted in some of these fake/ spurious visas which should also alert you to the fact that they are not genuine.

Examples of fake/ spurious e-visas are given on the next page.

If you encounter any passengers presenting fake/ spurious online documents such as the ones pictured, please contact the Carrier Support Hub on **+44 300 369 0610** or **+44 204 629 6020**

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Examples of fake/ spurious e-visas encountered:

