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Recognition of Professional Qualifications

If your qualification has already been recognised by the relevant regulator in an EEA country or Switzerland, you don't need to do anything

There are separate rules for certain professions, such as lawyers, auditors – and 'sailors' (seafarers)



Recognition of Professional Qualifications

If your UK qualification has not already been recognised you will need to apply to the appropriate regulator for your profession <u>in each country</u> where you intend to work.

You will need to do this even if you are only providing <u>short-term</u> or <u>occasional</u> professional services.



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Seafarers:

If you are working on a UK-flagged vessel and hold a certificate of competency, you will not need to take any action.

If you are working on a vessel that is flagged as either an EU country, Norway, Iceland or Liechtenstein, you will be able to work on it until your certificate of equivalent competency expires.

The government is working to ensure that the EU, Norway, Iceland and Liechtenstein will continue to accept UK certificates of competency.

https://www.gov.uk/guidance/recognition-of-seafarercertificates-of-competency-from-1-january-2021



EU labour: from immigration to grow your own

- new Points-Based Immigration Scheme
- ending free movement of labour from (& to) EU
- companies must apply for sponsor licences
- links at <u>www.maritimeskills.org</u>
- 1. managing short-term change
- longer-term, Government hopes to tilt the balance towards more employers "growing their own", eg through apprenticeship programmes



Exchanges: from Erasmus to Turing

- UK's <u>Turing Scheme</u> will replace UK participation in the EU's <u>Erasmus programme</u>
- £100m initially to support 35,000 students to study and work abroad
- probably <u>not</u> supporting incoming students
- worldwide scope, not just Europe
- An opportunity for an ambitious internationallyfocused sector



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