

Mobility: Immigration alert

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Czech Republic

Temporary Protection status for Ukrainian citizens and residents extended until 31 March 2025

Executive summary

The Czech authorities recently enforced an amendment allowing Ukrainian citizens and residents who hold Temporary Protection status in the Czech Republic to extend their status until 31 March 2025. Eligible individuals must register online on or before 15 March 2024 to receive the extension.

Background

On 17 March 2022, the Czech authorities introduced several measures relating to individuals who had moved to the Czech Republic from Ukraine following the outbreak of the current conflict. These measures included the activation of the [Temporary Protection Directive](#). Under this Directive, Ukrainian citizens and residents who were residing in Ukraine prior to 24 February 2022 and arrived in the Czech Republic due to the current conflict were granted Temporary Protection status and initially eligible to work and reside in the country until 31 March 2023. In early 2023, the authorities set up a process to extend Temporary Protection status until [31 March 2024](#).

Key developments

On 22 December 2023, the Czech president signed an amendment into law that allows eligible individuals to apply to extend their Temporary Protection status until 31 March 2025.

Ukrainian nationals and residents who hold valid Temporary Protection status must register online on the [portal](#) of the Ministry of Interior on or before 15 March 2024. Upon successful registration, these individuals will be granted automatic extensions of their status until 30 September 2024 and issued a date of appointment with the Ministry of Interior. They must visit a

Ministry office on the appointment date and present valid identity documents (e.g., passports) and proof of accommodation in the Czech Republic. The Ministry will then issue them a visa sticker as proof of the extension of their status until 31 March 2025.

Ukrainian nationals and residents who hold Temporary Protection status that is valid until 31 March 2024 and do not register online by/before the deadline will lose their status in the Czech Republic and may be required to depart from the country.

Impact on employers

Companies that employ impacted individuals may continue to do so until 31 March 2025 provided these individuals comply with all applicable requirements.

Key steps

EY will continue to monitor these developments. Should you have any questions, we encourage you to contact one of our immigration professionals.

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