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# HEALTH CARE GUIDE

## SPAIN ↔ UNITED KINGDOM



EASY GUIDE

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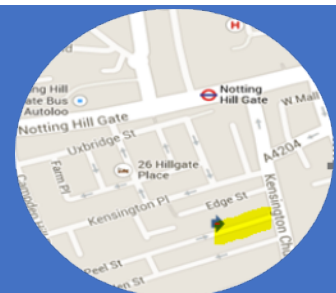
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# HEALTH CARE IN SPAIN OR IN THE UNITED KINGDOM ON TEMPORARY STAY

Health cards are personal, non-transferable documents that prove your entitlement to receive medically necessary health care during your temporary stay in the **UK, an-EU country**, Switzerland or within the **European Economic Area**.



In Spain the Tarjeta Sanitaria Europea (**TSE**) is issued and in the UK the Global Health Insurance Card (**GHIC**) as well as the European Health Insurance Card (EHIC). **Both are FREE AND VALID AFTER BREXIT.** Beware of unofficial websites, as they may charge an application fee.

**I travel to the UK  
from Spain**



**Provisional Replacement Certificate (PRC):**

You can apply for this if your movement is imminent:

<https://www.seg-social.es/wps/portal/wss/internet/Trabajadores/PrestacionesPensionados/10938/11566/1762>

How to **apply** for the Tarjeta Sanitaria Europea (TSE):

- ❖ **WITH DIGITAL CERTIFICATE OR CL@VE:** On the **Your Social Security portal:** <https://sede-tu.seg-social.gob.es>
- ❖ **SMS:** no other method of identification is required. To use this service, you must have notified your mobile phone to the Social Security.
- ❖ **WITHOUT DIGITAL CERTIFICATE:** At the **Social Security E-Office:** <https://sede.seg-social.gob.es/wps/portal/sede/sede/Ciudadanos/Regimen+Especial+del+Mar/202046SinCREM>

More information Tel.: **901 16 65 65/ 91 542 11 76.**

**Renewal** of the TSE: You can apply up to **30 days before** the end of its validity at the Social Security Attention and Information Centres (CAISS) and **up to 60 days before** at the E-Office.

**I travel to Spain  
from the UK**



**European Health Insurance Card (EHIC) or Global Health Insurance Card (GHIC):**

**How to apply:** Call **0300 330 1350** or go to the following link: <http://www.nhs.uk/NHSEngland/Healthcareabroad/EHIC/Pages/about-the-ehic.aspx>

**How to renew:** You can apply for a new **GHIC card up to 6 months before your current card expires.**

# HEALTH CARE IN SPAIN OR THE UNITED KINGDOM

## WITH RESIDENCE RELOCATION

**I will be  
residing in the  
UNITED  
KINGDOM**

**Spanish nationals in the UK subject to UK legislation:** Their healthcare is guaranteed by the UK. If they have obtained a visa to work, their right to healthcare is linked to the visa, as it involves payment of the immigration health surcharge (IHS).

**Spanish nationals in the UK subject to Spanish legislation (workers posted from Spain to the UK):** They have to obtain an **S1 document** from Spain, which entitles them to health services if they do not live in the country where they are insured. **The S1 document must be registered in the UK:** Send it to the postal address of Overseas Healthcare Services (NHS Business Services Authority, Bridge House, 152 Pilgrim Street, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE1 6SN).

You can send it in advance by email saying that you are also sending it by post to: [nhsbsa.faregistrationsohs@nhs.net](mailto:nhsbsa.faregistrationsohs@nhs.net)

Keep 2 copies of the S1 document (for the GP and in case you ever have to go to the Hospital).

**I will be  
residing in  
SPAIN /  
RETURN**

**Spanish nationals posted from the UK to Spain subject to Spanish legislation:**

**Legal residents in Spain will obtain, when they meet the requirements for this purpose, their TSI** (individual health card by its Spanish abbreviation) and will present it when they need health care, unless they are entitled to health cover at the expense of another country.

**Spanish nationals posted from the UK to Spain subject to UK legislation:**

1. You must obtain your **S1 document** from **Overseas Healthcare Services**: Telephone: +44 (0)191 218 1999. Email: [nhsbsa.ohsregistrations@nhs.net](mailto:nhsbsa.ohsregistrations@nhs.net)
2. **Register your S1** at a National Insurance and Social Security Information Centre (CAISS). Keep a copy for yourself.
3. Once the S1 is registered in Spain, the INSS will communicate it to the British agency (Overseas Healthcare Team). If you intend to visit another EEA country or Switzerland (not the UK) you can apply for a new European Health Insurance Card (EHIC) within 6 / 8 weeks on +44 191 21 81999.

# I AM A PENSIONER

## WHAT ABOUT MY HEALTH CARE?

HEALTH CARE FOR SPANISH PENSIONERS		
RELOCATION TO THE UNITED KINGDOM	RELOCATION TO SPAIN / RETURN TO SPAIN	TEMPORARY VISITS <sup>1</sup>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If they only receive a pension from Spain, they must register the S1 issued by Spain in the UK.</li> <li>• If they receive a UK pension, health care is the exclusive competence of the UK. They do not have to make any arrangements with Spain, but they must inform the UK that they are going to live there.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If they receive a pension from Spain: they have access to health care in Spain under the same conditions as any other pensioner, whether or not they also receive a UK pension. They must be registered in the municipal census in Spain and apply for the right to healthcare. You will be issued with your TSI.</li> <li>• If they receive a pension exclusively from the UK: they must apply 28 days in advance to the Overseas Healthcare Services the document S1: Telephone: +44 (0)191 218 1999.  Email: <a href="mailto:nhsbsa.ohsregistrations@nhs.net">nhsbsa.ohsregistrations@nhs.net</a></li> </ul> <p>On arrival, they must register the S1 issued by the UK with the INSS, even if they are Spanish nationals.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To Spain, if they are resident in the UK:</li> <li>• <u>If they only receive a pension from Spain</u>, they have access to health care in Spain under the same conditions as any other pensioner resident in Spain. They will present their TSI.</li> <li>• <u>If they receive a UK pension</u>, they must present the card issued by the UK (EHIC or GHIC), even if they receive a pension from Spain.</li> </ul> <p><b>To the United Kingdom, if they reside in Spain:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>If they receive a pension from Spain</u>, even if they also receive a pension from the UK, they must present the Tarjeta Sanitaria Europea (TSE) issued by Spain.</li> <li>• <u>If they only receive a UK pension</u>, they must present a copy of the UK S1 that they registered in Spain</li> </ul>

### PARA MÁS INFORMACIÓN CONSULTA NUESTRA GUÍA:

[https://www.mites.gob.es/ficheros/ministerio/mundo/consejerias/reinounido\\_archivos/GUIA-DE-ASISTENCIA-SANITARIA-2022.pdf](https://www.mites.gob.es/ficheros/ministerio/mundo/consejerias/reinounido_archivos/GUIA-DE-ASISTENCIA-SANITARIA-2022.pdf)

<sup>1</sup> Remember that health cards are personal and non-transferable documents that certify the right to receive the health services that are necessary, from a medical point of view, during your temporary stay in the United Kingdom, an E.U. country, Switzerland or in the territory of the European Economic Area.