

## NEW PEO ARRANGEMENTS FOR SAME DAY APPLICATIONS

As many of you will know, we are able to offer you a same day service to obtain certain passport stamps for your employees by attending the Public Enquiry Office in Croydon on their behalf. Previously we had been assigned a slot which allowed us to attend the PEO on any given Tuesday to submit a maximum of two applications.

However, the PEO have recently altered these arrangements. We can now attend on any day of the week. Further, there is no longer a limit on the number of applications we can submit in one visit or on the number of times we can attend each week, although the PEO will advise us of the available capacity in any particular week.

To use the PEO same day service, we are required to book an appointment between Monday – Wednesday of the week preceding the week during which we wish to submit the application.

We believe these new arrangements will allow us more flexibility in the service we can offer you and your employees when there is an urgent application which requires same day processing. Applications submitted by post are currently taking approximately 4 weeks to process and it is not realistic for many of your employees to be without their passport for this length of time, particularly if they are required to travel frequently on business.

There is still a limit imposed by the PEO on the type of applications which can be submitted on a same day basis, most notably the refusal to process applications for further leave to remain once approval has been obtained under the Highly Skilled Migrant Programme. However, we can submit applications for leave to remain in various other categories (for example work permit transfer or extension), indefinite leave to remain (also known as settlement), to transfer immigration conditions to a new passport and the newly introduced International Graduates Scheme (for further detail on this please see our Business Immigration alserter May 2007).

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**[See our website for details of the immigration services we offer](#)**

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