

1923 Identification Card Scheme

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Union notes:

1. Under the Licensing Act 2003, it is illegal to sell alcohol, tobacco, and cigarettes to children under the age of 18 in England and Wales.¹
2. Legitimate proof of age must be provided to the seller/night club if customer does not look, 18 years of age.
3. The licensing authorities require that approved Proof of Age ID is only used to verify age
 - a. The government issues licenses to organisations to become a verifying Proof of Age ID issuer
 - b. The PASS (Proof of Age Standards Scheme) hologram is the government approved proof of age verifier
 - c. With approval that Management from the organisation will introduce a scanner
4. Cases of lost passports on a night out at the LCR has happened frequently. Losing your passport requires you to:
 - a. File a police report, as it may fall into the hands of criminals, as well as that it is needed when applying for a new passport at your national embassy.
 - b. Go to your national embassy (the closest, most likely, in London) to apply for a new passport.
 - c. Most national embassies will require payment when applying for a new passport.
 - d. Ask for a transference of your student visa onto your new passport as soon as possible, as it is a vital piece of document which allows international students to continue to reside in the UK.
5. According to the Identity Documents Act 2010, the definition of "identity document" includes (but not limited to) "passport (whether a UK passport or a passport issued by the authorities of a different country) and a driving license".²
6. Another form of "identity document" accepted under the Identity Documents Act 2010 includes identity cards containing the PASS.³

¹ <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/2010-to-2015-government-policy-alcohol-sales/2010-to-2015-government-policy-alcohol-sales>

² https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/98108/false-id-guidance.pdf, pg.9

³ https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/98108/false-id-guidance.pdf, pg10

- a. PASS is the UK's national guarantee for proof of age, and is approved by the Home Office, the Association of Chief Police Officers (ACPO), the Security Industry Authority (SIA), and the Trading Standards Institute (TSI).⁴
- b. To apply for a PASS card, applicant must have a referee over the age of 25, currently in full- time employment in the UK, and must not be related to you by birth or marriage, must not live with you, and must not be your significant other.⁵
 - i. Examples of acceptable referees include your doctor, your barrister, and your teacher/ lecturer among others.⁶

Union believes:

1. That every student should not have to risk losing an important piece of document, such as their passports, on a night out.
2. That every student should have an accessible, accepted, and legitimate form of identification that can be easily kept with you at all times.
3. that students should not have to produce their driving licence or passport to verify age in non campus based outlets
4. That the loss of passports could represent a security risk, making forging passports easier.
5. That the university should provide referees for seeking applicants.
6. That AdviceSU provide one-on-one guidance and services to students seeking a PASS identification card, to decrease chances of a rejected application.

Union resolves:

1. To lobby the university to encourage academic advisors to act as referees for students seeking to apply for a PASS identification card.
2. To lobby the university to provide a out-of-term-time service for confirmation of PASS credentials.
3. To lobby the university to become a government registered issuer of verified proof of age and to add the PASS hologram to the campus card.

⁴ https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/98108/false-id-guidance.pdf , pg.10

⁵ <https://support.citizencard.com/Knowledgebase/Article/View/48/0/who-can-be-a-verifier>

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