

Length of Periods Permitted to Stay in the UK

The following information is taken from the Home Office UK Border Agency's document 'Tier 2 of the Points Based System – Policy Guidance'

Further information can be found at:

<http://www.ukba.homeoffice.gov.uk/sitecontent/applicationforms/pbs/tier2guidance.pdf>

Entry Clearance and Leave to Remain where previous grant of leave was not as a Tier 2 migrant.	For a maximum period of 3 years and 1 month, or the period given in the certificate of sponsorship plus 1 month, whichever is shorter.
Leave to Remain where previous grant of leave was as a Tier 2 migrant and the application is because of a change of employment.	For a maximum period of 3 years, or the period given in the certificate of sponsorship plus 14 days, whichever is shorter
Leave to Remain (Extension) where previous grant of leave was as a Tier 2 migrant.	For a maximum period of 2 years or the period given in the certificate of sponsorship plus 14 days, whichever is shorter.
Leave to Remain (Extension) where the application is being made under the transitional arrangements. This specifically applies to staff on the SEGS (IGS) Schemes	For the period of time the migrant needs to get to settlement, or the period given in the certificate of sponsorship, whichever is shorter. The exception to this may be for applicants applying under the senior care worker or established entertainer provisions. Please see the full Transitional Guidance for further details at: http://www.ukba.homeoffice.gov.uk/sitecontent/newsarticles/transitionalarrangements2and5