

SPEAK UP FOR TRANS PEOPLE

SUPPORT REFORMS TO THE GENDER RECOGNITION ACT

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What is the Gender Recognition Act?

The Gender Recognition Act is the law which specifies how transgender people in the UK are able to obtain a Gender Recognition Certificate and change their birth certificate and HMRC records.

Without a Gender Recognition Certificate trans people are still able to change their passport, driving licence and NHS records. Under the Equality Act, they are able to access appropriate toilets, changing rooms and other gendered spaces once they begin their social transition and without a Gender Recognition Certificate.

However, trans people without a Gender Recognition Certificate are left in a legal grey area.

Remember: Reforms to the Gender Recognition Act will have no impact on the Equality Act.

#FactsAboutTrans

Why reform the Gender Recognition Act?

- 1. The current process does not comply with United Nations Human Rights Commission guidance.
- 2. The current process is overly complicated and bureaucratic.
- 3. The current process is expensive.
- 4. The current process requires a wait of at least 2 years
- 5. The current process requires medical reports and pathologises trans identities.
- 6. The current process depends on a panel of strangers deciding a trans person's identity for them.
- 7. The current process doesn't offer legal recognition to trans people under 18.
- 8. The current process ignores non-binary people.
- 9. The current process requires married trans people to get permission from their spouse.
- 10. The current process leaves people in a legal grey area.

How can I support reforms?

Complete the government consultation by visiting: https://tinyurl.com/GRAreform



Ask the government for:

- 1. An end to the medicalisation of the process with no need for a medical 'diagnosis' or for medical reports.
- 2. A statutory declaration process without the need for extensive 'evidence'.
- 3. Removal of the 2 year delay let trans people change their birth certificate at the same time as their passport and employment records.
- 4. An end to the spousal veto.
- 5. An affordable, straight forward and easy to understand application process that doesn't act as a barrier to people who struggle completing forms and gathering documents.
- 6. Legal gender recognition for 16 and 17 year olds.
- 7. Legal gender recognition for non-binary people.

