

UK Government Advances Digital Identity Certification, Reports Geeky News



Surrey, United Kingdom Nov 24, 2023 ([IssueWire.com](https://www.issuewire.com)) - Geeky News is pleased to announce the publication of its new article. Titled "UK Government Enhances Digital Identity Certification Guidelines for RTW, RTR, and DBS Checks," the article delves into recent updates made by the UK government to its digital identity certification guidelines. The main focus of these guidelines is on right-to-work (RTW), right-to-rent (RTR), and criminal record checks (DBS).

In an effort to bolster digital identity certification, the UK government, effective from 8th November, has rolled out updated guidelines encouraging employers and landlords to leverage only authorised digital identity services providers (IDSPs). The revisions also include the addition of two new certified IDSPs, detailed in Section 6 of the guidelines.

These guidelines align with the UK Digital Identity and Attributes Trust Framework (DIATF), a compilation of regulations for companies to adhere to when offering secure and reliable identity or attribute verifications. To achieve certification against RTW, RTR, and DBS schemes, IDSPs must meet the criteria outlined in the latest DIATF edition released in January.

From the government's perspective, the Right to Work, Right to Rent, and Disclosure and Barring

Service (DBS) initiatives hold significant importance within the Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport (DCMS) trust framework's testing process.

The evolution of DBS checks, formerly known as CRB checks, is highlighted in the article. Originally conducted through physical verification of identity documents, the process transitioned to video calls during the pandemic. Since the termination of the temporary free support service on 11th May, the government now mandates the use of digital ID verification technology for background checks.

As of 6th April, landlords and employers are mandated to leverage certified IDSPs such as [Yoti](#) for DBS checks. However, RTW and RTR checks can still be verified manually, providing flexibility for these specific processes.

The certification process for IDSPs seeking approval is rigorous and involves specifying the desired scheme—RTW and RTR, DBS, or both. The DCMS undertakes thorough on-site audits and desk assessments based on the scope of the preferred certification scheme. Only upon meeting all the requirements of the chosen scheme will the certification request be approved.

In terms of transparency, the DCMS commits to reviewing the outcomes of the assessment process. If all requirements are met, the name, contact details, and certification status of the IDSP will be publicly disclosed, as per the guidelines.

Geeky News encourages readers to explore the full article for a deeper understanding of the UK's updated digital identity certification guidelines: <https://www.geekynews.co.uk/uk-overhauls-rtw-rtr-dbs-guidelines/>

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