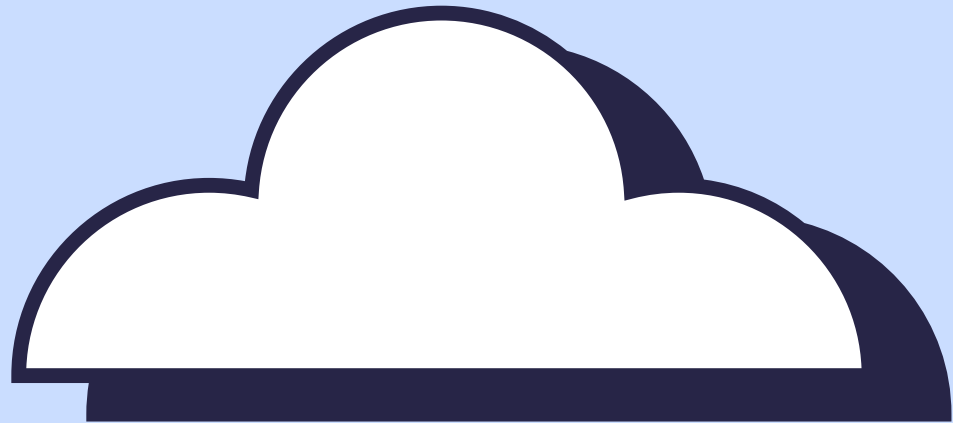
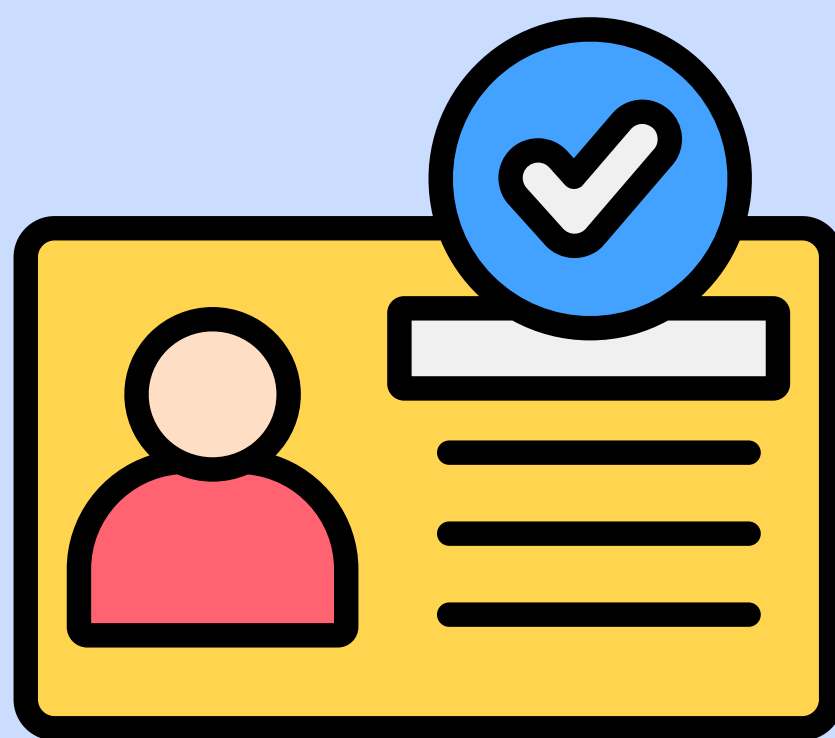




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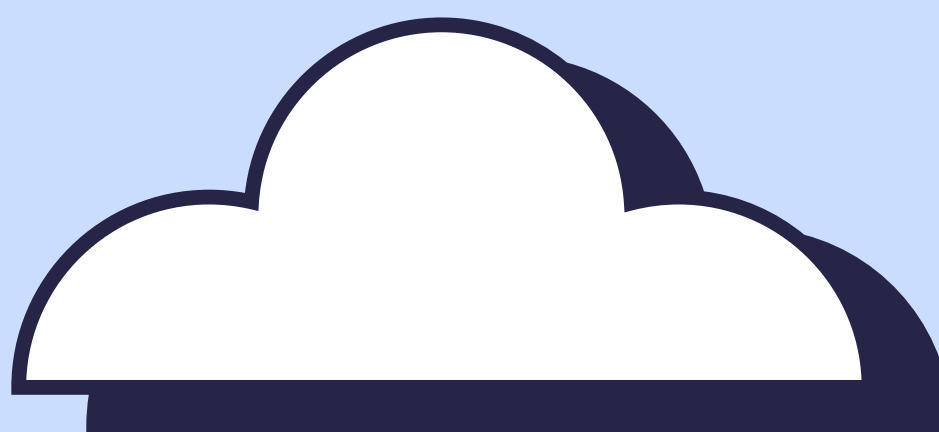
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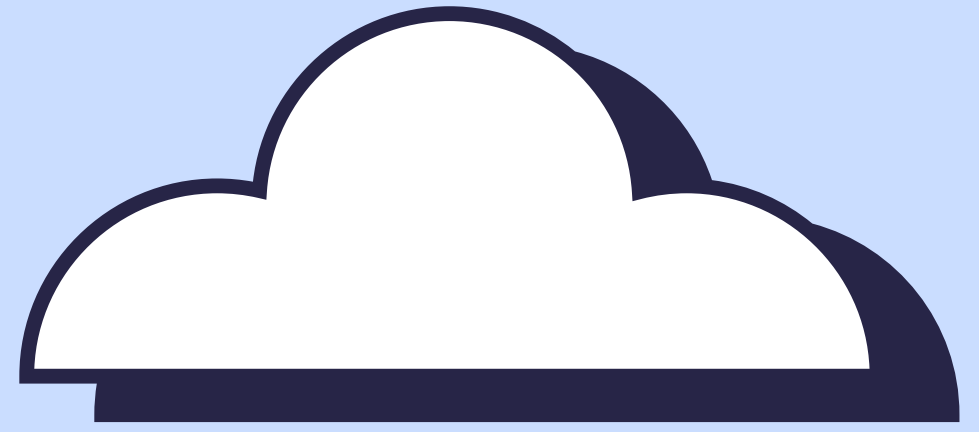
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IMPORTANT¹ NOTES



You only need to do this once (unless you change your name, nationality, or Companies House asks for a re-check).



Verification is a legal requirement. Without it, you cannot act as a director or PSC of a UK company.



If you have any questions please contact your client manager.



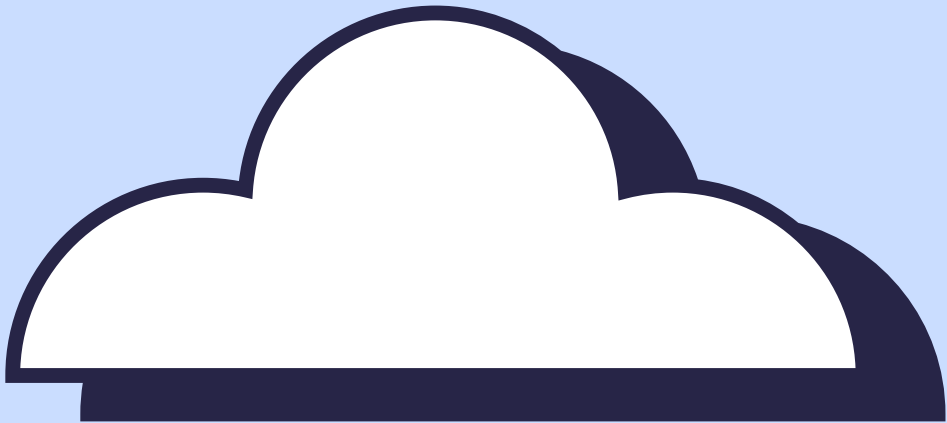
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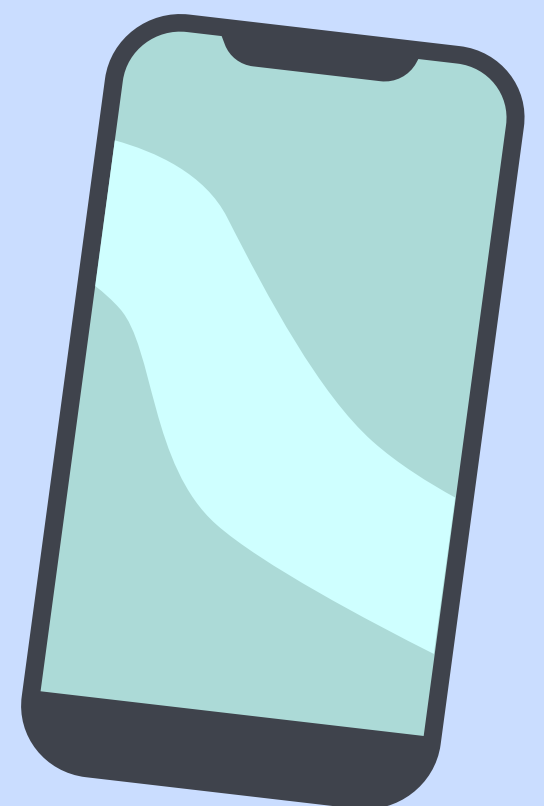
WHAT YOU'LL NEED...



A valid photo ID (passport or photocard driving licence)



A smartphone, tablet, or computer with a camera



About 5 minutes to complete the process



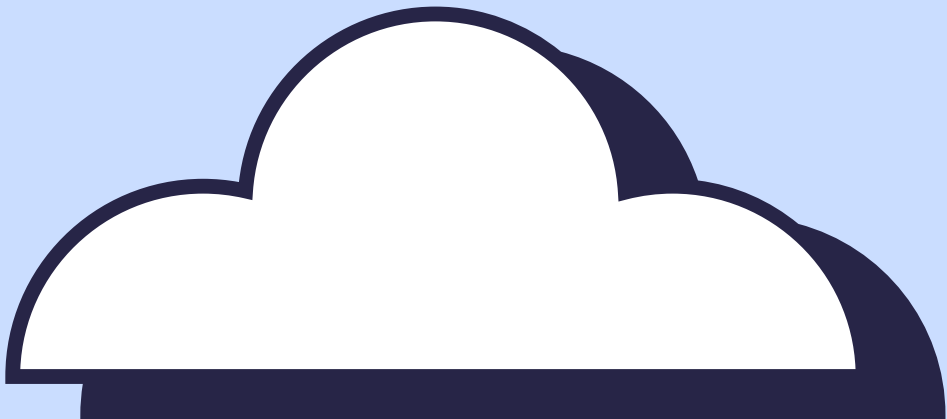
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STEP-BY-STEP GUIDE¹

1 Go to the GOV.UK service

- Visit the official [Companies House verification page](#)
- Click “verify your identity”

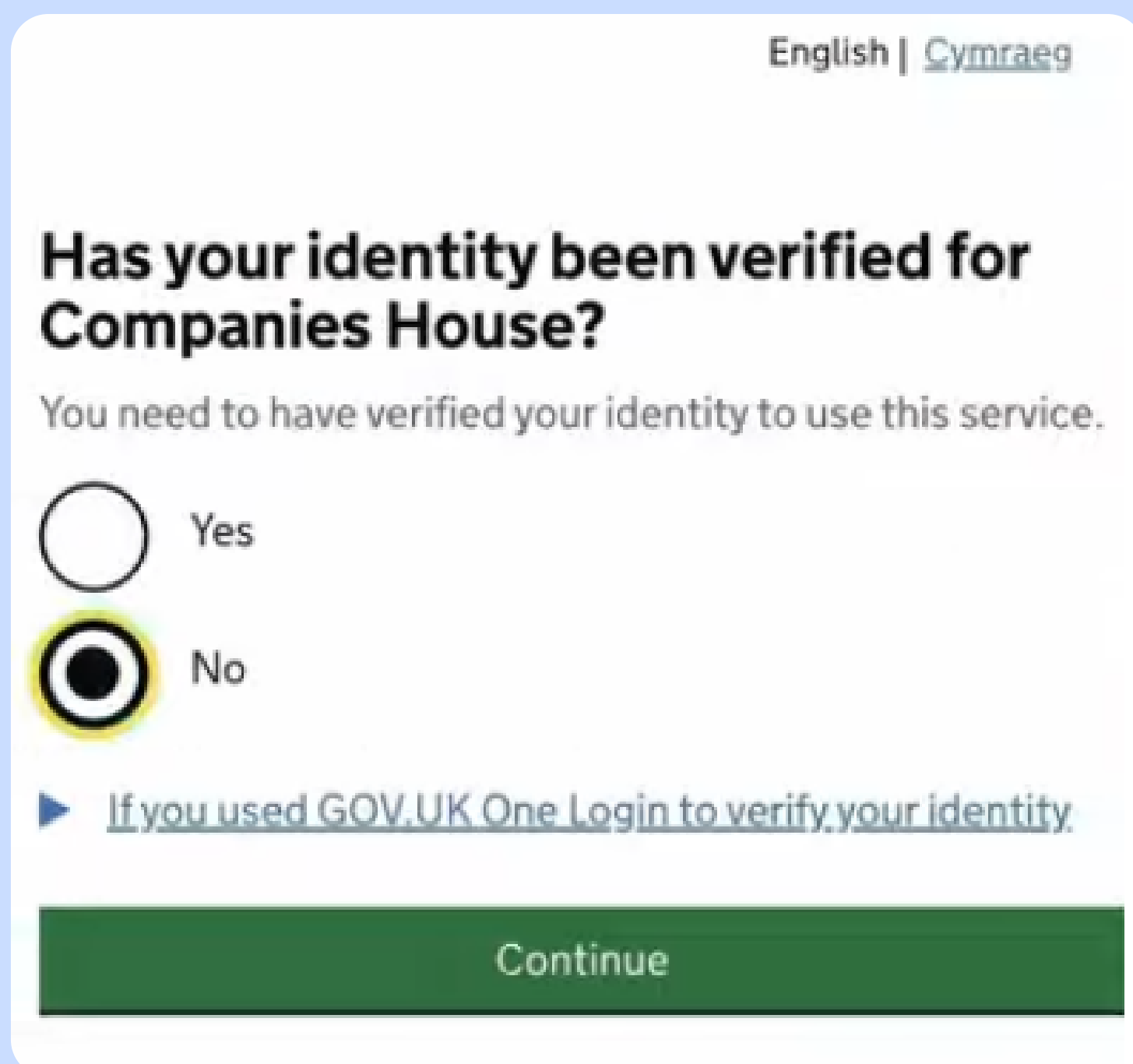
2 Sign in or create a GOV.UK One Login

- If you already have a GOV.UK One Login, enter your details and sign in.
- If not, choose “Create a GOV.UK One Login”:
 - Enter your email address.
 - Create a password.
 - Set up 2-step verification (via text, phone call, or an authenticator app).

Quick tip



Once you’ve logged into your GOV.UK account and begin your ID verification, you’ll be asked if your identity has been verified for Companies House. Select “no” then continue.



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Has your identity been verified for Companies House?

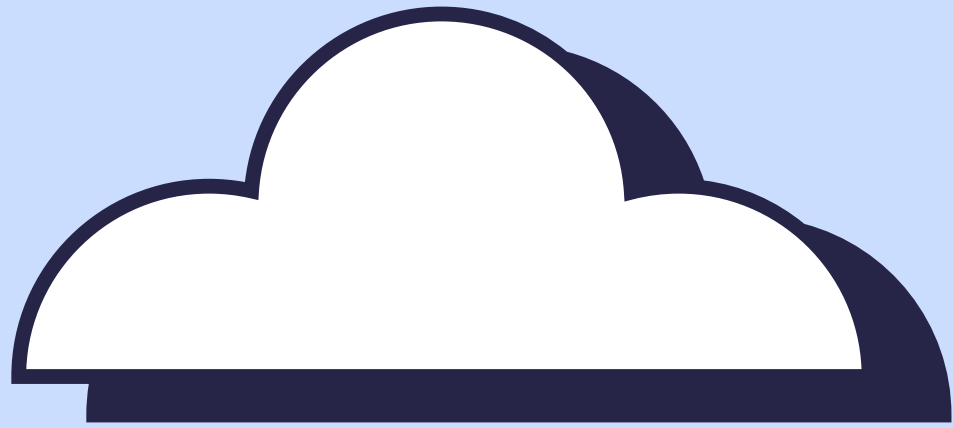
You need to have verified your identity to use this service.

☐ Yes

☒ No

▶ [If you used GOV.UK One Login to verify your identity.](#)

Continue



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Enter your personal details

- Country of residence.
- Full legal name.
- Date of birth.
- Current address (and previous if you've lived there for less than 3 years).

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Verify with photo ID

- Choose the type of ID you'll use:
- Passport (UK or international biometric).
- UK photocard driving licence.
- UK biometric residence permit.
- Follow the prompts to upload a clear photo/scan of your ID (front and back where required).



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Take a selfie / live photo

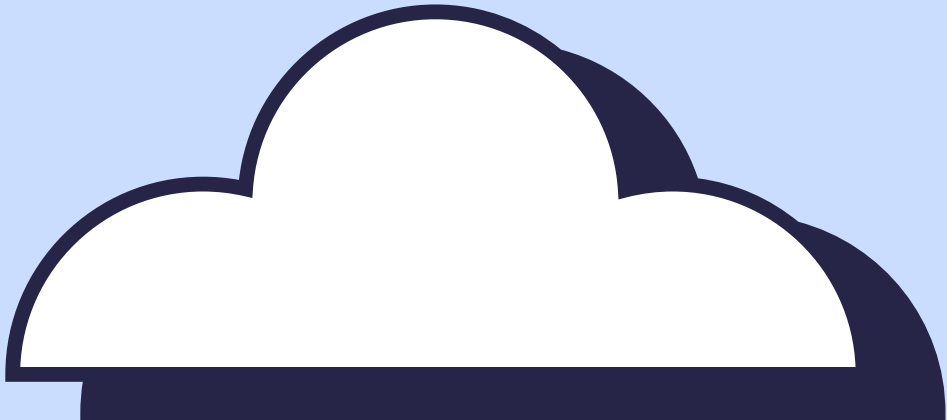
- The system will ask you to take a quick selfie or short video.
- Make sure you're in a well-lit space.
- Follow any instructions (like turning your head or blinking).

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Submit your application

- Review your details.
- Click Submit.





STEP-BY-STEP GUIDE¹



Get your verification code

- In most cases, you'll be verified instantly.
- Once approved, Companies House will give you an 11-character alphanumeric code.
- The code will be shown on your screen and also emailed to you. It will also be stored in your Companies House user profile so you can retrieve it at a later date if needed.



Send your verification code to us



- Please send this code to us as soon as possible.
- We need your code to:
 - Record that you're verified in our files.
 - Complete any company filings or updates on your behalf.



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