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Dear Mr Daniel

Thank you for your e-mail of 14 April in which you ask whether there is a specific deadline on the application for a replacement 90-day vignette from the time of its expiry, and if so, where such information is published.

Your request has been handled as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

There is no specific deadline on application for the replacement of a ninety-day vignette. The current guidance on Replacement Biometric Residence Permit (BRP) Visas is on GOV.UK: [Transferring a visa to a new immigration document: ECB17 - GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/transferring-a-visa-to-a-new-immigration-document) ([www.gov.uk](http://www.gov.uk)).

This guidance does not specify a deadline for application from the time of the original vignette's expiry. While travel and other restrictions due to COVID-19 remain, the Home Office will operate flexibly with applications for Replacement BRP Visas where the applicant was not able to travel within the validity of the original entry clearance issued. Each application will be dealt with on its own merits, however where the applicant continues to meet the requirements of the Immigration Rules when they apply for a Replacement BRP Visa we would normally expect to issue.

If you are dissatisfied with this response you may request an independent internal review of our handling of your request by submitting a complaint within two months to [foirequests@homeoffice.gov.uk](mailto:foirequests@homeoffice.gov.uk), quoting reference 63707. If you ask for an internal review, it would be helpful if you could say why you are dissatisfied with the response.

As part of any internal review the Department's handling of your information request would be reassessed by staff who were not involved in providing you with this response. If you were to remain dissatisfied after an internal review, you would have a right of complaint to the Information Commissioner as established by section 50 of the FOIA.

Yours sincerely

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