Revisions to Permanent Resident Re-Entry Permit Application Process from 1 December 2025 - Frequently Asked Questions

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General	
1.	**What is an Entry Permit (EP) and Re-Entry Permit (REP)?** The EP allows PRs to enter Singapore once, and to remain in Singapore. It is issued when PR status is first granted. The REP is issued for a fixed validity period, upon application, for PRs to re-enter Singapore if they travel abroad. Having a valid REP whilst abroad is an indication by the PR that he/she intends to return to Singapore. PRs are required to display a commitment to continue contributing to Singapore, in order to be issued an REP.
2.	**I am a Permanent Resident who does not have a Re-Entry Permit (REP). How can I apply for one?** Please log in to MyICA or mobile application to apply for an REP. You are advised to obtain a new REP or to renew your expiring REP in a timely manner before travelling out of Singapore. You can submit an REP renewal online three months before the expiry of your current REP.
3.	**I am a Permanent Resident (PR) who was not issued with an Entry Permit previously. Will I still be considered a Permanent Resident (PR) following these changes?** You will continue to be recognised as a PR. ICA has issued all PRs with an Entry Permit before December 2025, in accordance with the requirements under the Immigration Act 1959. To avoid losing your PR status, you are advised to obtain a new Re-Entry Permit (REP) or to renew your expiring REP before travelling out of Singapore. You can submit an REP renewal online three months before the expiry of your current REP.
Permanent Residents in Singapore	
4.	**Will I lose my Permanent Resident (PR) status if my Re-Entry Permit (REP) is expiring but I am currently in Singapore?** You will retain your PR status.

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5.	**Will I lose my Permanent Resident (PR) status if I travel on an expiring REP but will return to Singapore before my REP expiry date?** You will retain your PR status. To minimise the risk of losing your PR status, you are advised to obtain a new REP or to renew your expiring REP before travelling out of Singapore. You are able to submit an REP renewal online three months before the expiry of your current REP.
Permanent Residents outside Singapore	
6.	**Will I lose my Permanent Resident (PR) status if I am outside Singapore when my Re-Entry Permit (REP) expires?** **Before 1 December 2025**: You will lose your PR status once your REP expires and you are outside Singapore. You will have a grace period of one month after your REP has expired to apply for a new REP to reinstate your PR status. **From 1 December 2025:** If you are outside Singapore without a valid REP, you have to apply for an REP within 180 days from the date you are first physically outside Singapore without a valid REP to retain your PR status. The REP application is subject to approval on a case-by-case basis. If you had applied for a new REP within the 180-day period, you will remain a PR until there is an outcome to your REP application. If your REP application is unsuccessful, you will lose your PR status the day after the REP application outcome is sent to you. You will also lose your PR status automatically if you do not apply for a new REP within this 180-day period.
7.	**My Re-Entry Permit (REP) will expire when I am outside Singapore. Will I lose my Permanent Resident (PR) status if I return to Singapore within 180 days from the expiry of my REP?** **Before 1 December 2025**: You will lose your PR status once your REP expires and you remain outside Singapore. You will have a grace period of one month after your REP has expired to apply for a new REP to reinstate your PR status.

	From 1 December 2025: You will remain a PR for a period of 180 days from the date you are first physically outside Singapore without a valid REP. You will automatically lose your PR status if you do not apply for a new REP within this 180-day period, even if you return to Singapore within this period. You are advised to apply for a new REP within the 180-day period to avoid losing your PR status. The REP application is subject to approval on a case-by-case basis. If your REP application is unsuccessful, you will lose your PR status the day after the REP application outcome is sent to you. If you are in Singapore, you will be issued with a Visit Pass upon the loss of your PR status.
8.	**I am a Permanent Resident (PR) whose Re-Entry Permit (REP) has expired. Can I enter Singapore?** **Before 1 December 2025**: You will have lost your PR status, and you may seek entry into Singapore as a visitor, subject to prevailing entry and public health requirements. **From 1 December 2025:** You will remain a PR during the prescribed period of 180 days from the date you are first physically outside Singapore without a valid REP. You may be allowed entry into Singapore, subject to prevailing entry and public health requirements. You are advised to apply for a new REP within this 180-day period to avoid losing your PR status, subject to approval on a case-by-case basis.
9.	**My Re-Entry Permit (REP) expired when I was outside Singapore. I have applied for a new REP. Will I retain my Permanent Resident (PR) status?** **From 1 December 2025:** If you had applied for a new REP within 180 days from the date you are first physically outside Singapore without a valid REP, you will remain a PR until there is an outcome to your REP application. If your REP application is successful, you will continue to remain a PR, subject to the conditions in your Entry Permit, REP and prevailing laws and policies. If your REP application is unsuccessful, you will lose your PR status the day after the REP application outcome is sent to you.
10.	**I am a Permanent Resident (PR) whose Re-Entry Permit (REP) has expired and was issued a Permanent Resident's Single-Entry Pass (PRSEP) to enter Singapore. What happens if my new REP application is unsuccessful?** If your REP application is unsuccessful, you will lose your PR status the day after the REP application outcome is sent to you. You will be issued with a Visit Pass upon the loss of your PR status.

11.	**I am a Permanent Resident (PR) whose Re-Entry Permit (REP) has expired. What pass will I be issued to enter Singapore? Does the pass have a validity?** **Before 1 December 2025**: You will have lost your PR status. You will be assessed as a visitor and may be issued a visit pass for entry into Singapore, subject to prevailing entry and public health requirements. **From 1 December 2025**: You will remain a PR for a period of 180 days from when you are first physically outside Singapore without a valid REP. You may be issued a Permanent Resident's Single-Entry Pass (PRSEP) to enter Singapore, subject to prevailing entry and public health requirements. The PRSEP is only valid for a single entry into Singapore and on the date stated in the Pass. It does not carry a validity as your Entry Permit regulates your stay in Singapore. You are advised to apply for a new REP within the 180-day period to avoid losing your PR status, even if you have already returned to Singapore on the PRSEP.
12.	**I am a Permanent Resident (PR) whose Re-Entry Permit (REP) expired when I was outside Singapore. Can my application to enter Singapore be rejected?** **Before 1 December 2025**: You will have lost your PR status. Your entry into Singapore is subject to prevailing entry and public health requirements. **From 1 December 2025**: You will remain a PR for a period of 180 days from the date you are first outside Singapore without a valid REP. During this 180-day period, you may be issued a Permanent Resident's Single-Entry Pass (PRSEP) to enter Singapore, subject to prevailing entry and public health requirements. You are advised to apply for a new REP within the 180-day period to avoid losing your PR status, even if you have already returned to Singapore on the PRSEP.
13.	**I am a Permanent Resident (PR) whose Re-Entry Permit (REP) expired when I was outside Singapore. I did not apply for a new REP within the 180-day period. Can I apply for a new REP application to retain my PR status?** You will have lost your PR status the day after the 180-day period from the date your REP expired.

	You will need to submit a new application for PR to be considered for PR again.
14.	**Can I appeal for Permanent Resident (PR) reinstatement, if I had failed to apply for an Re-Entry Permit (REP) during the 180-day period?** If you did not apply for a new REP within 180 days from the date you are first outside Singapore without a valid REP, you will lose your PR status the day after the last day of the 180-day period. No appeals will be accepted. You will need to submit a new application for PR to be considered for PR again.
15.	**My Re-Entry Permit (REP) expired when I was outside Singapore. How can I reinstate my Permanent Resident (PR) status if my new REP application was not successful?** If your REP application is unsuccessful, you will have lost PR status the day after the REP application outcome was sent to you. You will need to submit a new application for PR to be considered for PR again.
16.	**I am a Permanent Resident (PR) whose Re-Entry Permit (REP) expired when I was outside Singapore. I have applied for a new REP which was unsuccessful. Can I make an appeal?** You will have lost your PR status if your REP application is unsuccessful. You will need to submit a new application for PR to be considered for PR again.
17.	**Will I receive notification of my loss of Permanent Resident (PR) status?** You will receive a notification of the loss of your PR status. To avoid losing your PR status, you are advised to obtain a new Re-Entry Permit (REP) or renew your expiring REP before travelling out of Singapore. You can submit an REP renewal online three months before the expiry of your current REP.