

# The EES...

## Entry/Exit System (EES) Border Check Process

### ...provides for

- automatic registration of non-EU nationals each time they cross a Schengen external border
- gradual reduction in waiting times at passport control
- simplification and automation of border procedures

### ...applies\* to

- non-EU nationals travelling for a short stay of up to 90 days within a 180-day period
- visa-required travellers  
→ visa-exempt travellers

\* Some exceptions apply.

### ...collects\*\* your

- full name, date of birth, nationalities, sex
- travel document
- facial image and/or fingerprints



### ...records\*\* the

- date and place of entry into and exit from a European country using the EES
- refusals of entry, if this is the case

\*\* Data collection and recording will be gradually introduced at border crossing points from 12 October 2025, with full implementation by 10 April 2026.

Entry  
Exit  
System

1

The traveller must present their travel documents to the border guard and...

2

... also provide their biometric data (facial image and fingerprints) which is registered in the EES



3

The border guard checks the traveller's information, asks questions, and digitally records the entry in the EES



4

The traveller benefits from a smoother and more efficient border crossing process



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