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IDENTITY FRAUD A REAL PROBLEM

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IS IDENTITY THEFT A REAL PROBLEM?



CIFAS, the UK's fraud prevention service state that there were 123,600 reported cases of identity fraud in 2012. The figures for 2008 show the cost to the economy was over £1bn. However, this is just a fraction of what is reported. Most instances of identity fraud go unreported or uncounted and the true scope of the problem is far larger. Once a fraudster has secured a useable identity, they will use it multiple times thus perpetuating the fraud.

Identity Theft - (also known as impersonation fraud) is the misappropriation of identity (such as the name, date of birth, current address or previous addresses) of another person, without his or her knowledge or consent. These identity details are then used to obtain goods and services in that person's name.

Identity Fraud- is the use of a misappropriated identity in criminal activity, to obtain goods or services by deception. This usually involves the use of stolen or forged identity documents such as a passport or driving licence.

Facility (or Account) Takeover Fraud is where the fraudster has obtained identification details of an existing account and has used them to take over or hijack the running of a victim's account (e.g. by redirecting post, obtaining new bank or credit cards or making withdrawals).
[Source CIFAS]

According to a recent Telegraph article, the UK is the worst country for identity fraud (<http://www.telegraph.co.uk/finance/personal/finance/consumertips/9579167/UK-worst-in-Europe-for-identity-fraud.html>) and this is not just restricted to having a credit card skimmed, but can amount to anyone getting a pecuniary advantage by pretending to be someone else. Qualification fraud, identity fraud, and the availability of fake documents make it hard to check.

In certain industries it is advisable to check the identity of employees and clients, but in all organisations it is best practice to know who you are dealing with. Often there is a legislative need to do so; but even if there is no legal requirement it is far better to make checks and be satisfied you know who is who than lose business, reputation or clients.

Passport Proven can help with the process of verifying documents. It cannot replace the human touch (no electronic system can) but it does allow you to confirm the validity of various documents and give you the reassurance you need.

DID YOU KNOW?

IDENTITY FRAUD COSTS OVER
£1 BILLION EVERY YEAR CIFAS 2008

AN EMPLOYER WHO FAILS TO CARRY
OUT CHECKS ON THEIR STAFF CAN BE
FINED UP TO £20,000.

ORGANISATIONS NOW NEED A QUICK,
COST EFFECTIVE METHOD FOR CARRYING
OUT CHECKS ON THEIR STAFF.

USING PASSPORT PROVEN CAN HELP
PROTECT YOUR ORGANISATION FROM
IDENTITY FRAUD.



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Passport Proven requires no specialist hardware so it can be rapidly deployed across your organisation and easily fit into existing processes. As a Pay As You Go service it is cost effective, allowing you to check documents without a large up front investment. Each check generates a tailored PDF report for your records. Passport Proven is ideal if you need to conduct;

- Right to Work Checks
- Student Enrolment Checks
- Money Laundering Protection Checks
- Know Your Client Checks

