







ASYLUM PROCEDURE IN ROMANIA



The Romanian National Council for Refugees (CNRR) is a non-governmental organization, specialized in assisting refugees.

The asylum procedure

involves an analysis of **the reasons** that determined yo<mark>u to leave your country of origin and the **risks** you would face if you returned there.</mark>

The General Inspectorate for Immigration (I.G.I)

is the **authority** that will analyze your application and issue a decision of **admission** or **rejection** of your asylum application.

In case of admission, you will obtain a form of international protection: **REFUGEE STATUS** or **SUBSIDIARY PROTECTION**.

STAGES OF THE ASYLUM PROCEDURE

1. APPLICATION

The asylum application must be submitted **in person**. After your application has been registered, you will be:

- photographed
- fingerprinted (your fingerprints will be entered into the EURODAC system)
- · submitted to a body search
- · submitted to a medical examination

You will have to hand over the document for crossing the state border to the authorities and you will receive a **temporary identity document**.

From the submission of the asylum application until the receipt of the decision, you have the right to be assisted, upon request:

- · by a representative of an NGO (CNRR legal adviser)
- by a UNHCR representative

THIS ASSISTANCE IS FREE OF CHARGE!

You also have the right to be assisted by a lawyer of your choice (whom you will have to pay for yourself).

2. UNDERGOING THE INTERVIEW

I.G.I will schedule you for a preliminary interview and an interview to determine the need for protection. It is important for you to present in detail the reasons why you have applied for asylum and to answer all the questions honestly!

3 .I.G.I. DECISION

The I.G.I. will communicate to you the decision on your asylum application. If you do not agree with the decision of the I.G.I., you have the right to file a **COMPLAINT**:

- within 10 days from the date of service (ordinary procedure) or
- · within 7 days of the date of communication (accelerated procedure / border procedure)

If you have not obtained international protection, together with the decision by which your asylum application was rejected is issued, the I.G.I. will also issue a **return decision**.

If you file a complaint against the I.G.I. decision rejecting the asylum application, the enforcement of the return obligation will be **suspended** until the asylum procedure is completed.

4. ANALYSIS OF THE COMPLAINT

The complaint will be analyzed by the competent court (the court of first instance). The court will inform you (BY NOTICE SERVED AT THE RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS YOU DECLARED!) the date on which you must appear at the court hearing.

You have the right to free legal assistance to ensure your defense, assistance that can be offered by:

- · a legal adviser (CNRR)
- · a lawyer appointed ex officio
- a lawyer of your own choice (whom you will have to pay for yourself).

5. COURT DECISION

If the asylum application has been rejected by the I.G.I. in **the ordinary procedure**, and the complaint is rejected by the court of first instance, you have the right to lodge **an APPEAL** within **5 days** counting from the date when the decision was rendered.

Subsequently, you will have to **motivate** the appeal within **10 days** from the date of communication of the court's decision.

The court competent to hear the appeal (the county/municipal court) will notify you at your address of residence, informing you on the date of the next court hearing. The county/municipal court will render a final judgment.

If the asylum application was rejected by the I.G.I. in **an accelerated procedure/at the border**, the decision of the court of first instance is final.

In the event of a **final decision** rejecting the asylum application, the execution of the return decision becomes mandatory and you must leave Romania within 15 days.

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