



Commune Registration

Your Complete Checklist

Before Your Appointment

Documents to Bring

- Valid passport or national ID card
- Rental contract (bail/huurcontract)
- Proof of health insurance (mutuelle)
- Employment contract or proof of income
- 2 recent passport photos (ICAO-compliant)
- Birth certificate (for some communes)

Preparation Steps

- Book appointment online at your commune website
- Prepare €15-30 for registration fee
- Block 90 minutes to 2 hours
- Download translation app for French terms

Timeline Reminder

EU Citizens: Register within 3 months of arrival

Non-EU Citizens: Register within 8 working days

After Registration

- Note your NISS number (11 digits)
- Schedule police verification visit
- Wait for residence permit (2-3 months)
- Choose E-card (€20, 5 years) or paper permit (free)

 **Tip:** The police will visit your address to verify you live there. Make sure someone is home during the scheduled time window!

Key Terms (French)

French	English
Commune	Municipality/Town Hall
Inscription	Registration
Domicile	Address/Residence
Carte d'identité	ID Card
Attestation	Certificate