

The simplified asylum procedure

You are from a safe country of origin or you already have international protection in another Member State of the European Union

Why have you been handed this leaflet?

You wish to apply for asylum in the Netherlands. Asylum means: protection for those people who can find no safety or protection in their own country.

When you apply for asylum, you are asking the Dutch government for a residence permit. You need this permit to be allowed to live and work in the Netherlands.

The asylum procedure starts after you have submitted your asylum application: a legal procedure during which the Dutch government will assess whether or not you will be granted a residence permit.

This leaflet explains the course of your asylum procedure. It also tells you what you are expected to do (your obligations) and what you may expect from the Dutch government (your rights).