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The Cooperating Service is going to be closed from 9.00 to 13.00 on the following dates:

- Tuesday 17 February 2026
- Thursday 26 March 2026

These closures mean that the afternoon waiting times may be longer than normal. We therefore recommend that you call the next day or later in the week. We would like to thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Deregistration of highly skilled migrants

Sometimes there is confusion about the process of deregistering highly skilled migrants who are no longer listed in the Personal Records Database (BRP). Any ending of employment must always be reported, even if the highly skilled migrant deregistered from the BRP by the set deadline (within 4 weeks of departure).

There are two situations when reporting is necessary:

- when a highly skilled migrant is no longer residing in the Netherlands and did not deregister from the BRP by the set deadline (Article 4.18 of the Aliens Regulation 2000 (VV); and
- when a highly skilled migrant no longer works for the recognised sponsor (Article 4.23 of the VV).

What kind of report must be submitted and when?

A highly skilled migrant leaves employment (on the date known at the time of application, or on another date)

The end of employment must be reported. Even if the date on which the employment ended is the same as the date on which the residence permit expired. It will then not be necessary

to report the highly skilled migrant as no longer residing in the Netherlands. This is because the sponsorship will stop once they are no longer registered.

A highly skilled migrant continues to be employed by the recognised sponsor, but is no longer residing in the Netherlands and did not deregister with the municipality by the set deadline

The highly skilled migrant must be reported as no longer residing in the Netherlands. The advice is to include the following when doing so:

- the reason for the departure;
- how long the highly skilled migrant is going to be residing outside the Netherlands;
- that the highly skilled migrant is still employed by the recognised sponsor.

A highly skilled migrant is no longer residing or employed in the Netherlands

The fact that the employment has ended must be reported, even if you previously reported the highly skilled migrant is no longer residing in the Netherlands.

Live workshop on the obligation to provide information: 5 March 2026

IND is organising a workshop on the obligation to provide information on Thursday 5 March 2026. This live workshop is going to take place in Utrecht. It will be a welcome opportunity for us to talk to you about how to report changes in the situation of foreign workers and recognised sponsors and discuss your questions, case studies and other issues you find important. If you are interested in taking part, register directly by sending an email to team.zakelijk@ind.nl containing the following information:

- your organisation's name;
- your Chamber of Commerce (KVK) registration number;
- the names and email addresses of the participants;
- any questions and case studies you may wish to discuss.