



Application residence permit: Article 8 ECHR private life

About this form

You have strong ties with the Netherlands. And there are very special circumstances which mean you are unable or unwilling to leave the Netherlands. You do not meet the requirements for a residence permit for another residence purpose. That is why you are applying for a residence permit under Article 8 of the ECHR (right to private life). If you already have a residence permit, use this form to apply for an extension or change. Make sure the IND receives the application before your document expires, but if you are applying to extend it, then no earlier than 3 months before the expiry date.

Before filling in the form

- Het [Nederlandse aanvraagformulier artikel 8 EVRM privéleven](https://ind.nl/8EVRM-priveleven) staat op ind.nl/8EVRM-priveleven.
- The IND only grants this residence permit in exceptional circumstances. For this reason, there is a very high chance that the IND will reject the application. Do you want to know what the possibilities are in your situation? Then phone the IND: 088 043 04 30.
- You can only submit this application if you are in the Netherlands.
- If you are 12 or older, you may submit the application yourself. If you are younger than 12, then a parent with parental authority or other legal representative must make the application. Any reference to 'you' in this form means the child for whom the application is made.
- You submit documents to prove that you have the right to stay in the Netherlands. Collect these documents first. After all, this takes time. Read about how to have official foreign documents [legalised and translated at](https://ind.nl/en/documents) ind.nl/en/documents.
- If you fail to submit enough documents and/or neglect to have foreign documents legalised and translated, it will take longer for the IND to decide. The IND can also reject your application because of insufficient evidence. That is because we would then be unable to determine if you are eligible for this residence permit.



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Filling in the form

Fill in the form digitally and then print it. Or print the form and then fill it in with pen. Always use a black or blue pen. Answer the open questions in block letters. Choose a selection box by filling it completely. If you made a mistake, cross out the incorrect box. And then fill in the correct box. Print the form in black and white or colour, on A4 paper and in full size.

Submitting the form

Send the form and the documents to: IND, postbus 16, 9560 AA Ter Apel.

After your application

- This application requires payment. You will receive a letter explaining how to pay. Check the [costs of the application](#) on ind.nl/en/fees. This is a non-temporary humanitarian residence permit. If you don't get a residence document, you will not get a refund.
- The [decision period for your application](#) is listed on ind.nl/en/decision-periods. Sometimes it takes more time. For example, when not all required documents are submitted with the application.
- You will receive the decision in a letter.

More information

[ind.nl/en/8ECHR-private-life](#)
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Processing of personal data

The IND records your data in the IND systems to be able to carry out legal tasks. The IND uses and secures your personal data carefully and on the basis of the requirements of the privacy legislation. Read [how the IND handles your personal data](#) on ind.nl/en/privacy.

PERSONAL DETAILS AND TYPE OF APPLICATION

1. Your personal details

The personal details you fill in must be the same as in your passport or other travel or identity document. Do you already have a residence permit or applied for one in the past? Then you have a V-number. The V-number can be found in letters from the IND.

1.1

Citizen service number (BSN)
(if you have one)

1.2

V-number (if you have one)

1.3

Surname

First name(s)

1.4

Sex

1.5

Date of birth (dd-mm-yyyy)

1.6

Place of birth

1.7

Country of birth

1.8

Nationality

1.9

Civil status

☐ married

☐ registered partnership

☐ not married (single or relationship with or without living together)

☐ divorced

☐ widow or widower

1.10

Street and number

Postal code and place of residence

1.11

Telephone number

The IND may call using an anonymous number.

1.12

Email

2. Personal details authorised person

If you want, someone else can fill in and sign this form for you. You must give someone official permission to do this. This is called authorising.

2.1 Is someone else submitting the application for you?

- ☐ yes
☐ no → go to question 3

2.2 What is the name of this person?

Surname _____
First names _____

2.3 Who is this person?

- ☐ my lawyer in the Netherlands. No authorisation required. → go to question 2.5
☐ my parent with parental authority. No authorisation required. → go to question 3
☐ a legal representative other than my parent. No authorisation required. → go to question 3
☐ my lawyer abroad
☐ someone else

2.4 Have you already authorised this person?

- ☐ yes → go to question 3
☐ no. Authorise this person with the [Authorisation declaration](#) (pdf, 165 kB) at ind.nl/en/authorisation. → go to question 3

2.5 Name law firm _____

2.6 Surname contact person _____

First name(s) contact person _____

2.7 Street and number _____

Postal code and residence place _____

2.8 Telephone number _____

The IND may call using an anonymous number.

2.9 Email _____

3. Type of application

- 3.1 Which application are you submitting?
- ☐ first residence permit: you have not had a residence permit in the Netherlands in the last 2 years.

☐ extension of residence permit: you already have a residence permit under Article 8 ECHR private life and you want to extend it. → go to question 11

☐ change of residence permit: you currently have a residence permit for a different purpose and want a residence permit based on Article 8 ECHR private life.

SITUATION

Private life consists of all the ties you have with the Netherlands. If you have these ties and how strong they are depends on several factors. For this application, it is important that the IND knows precisely what your situation is. Answer the questions as fully as possible. If you need more space, use one or more separate A4 sheets. Also the number of the question on these sheets. Also note your V-number (if you have one) or your surname and date of birth.

4. Residence in the Netherlands

- 4.1 Since when have you been in the Netherlands? Give as precise a date as possible. (dd-mm-yyyy) _____
- 4.2 Why did you come to the Netherlands?

- 4.3 Have you ever been to the Netherlands before? So, before the date provided in answer to question 4.1?

☐ yes

☐ no → go to question 4.6

4.4 When was this? Give the start and end dates as precisely as possible.

from (dd-mm-yyyy) _____ to (dd-mm-yyyy) _____

from (dd-mm-yyyy) _____ to (dd-mm-yyyy) _____

from (dd-mm-yyyy) _____ to (dd-mm-yyyy) _____

4.5 Why were you in the Netherlands at that time?

4.6 Why do you want to stay in the Netherlands now?

5. Dutch language

5.1 Have you completed a civic integration course?

☐ yes

☐ no, I am still taking a civic integration course

☐ no

5.2 How is your Dutch?

	poor	reasonable	good
speaking	☐	☐	☐
listening	☐	☐	☐
writing	☐	☐	☐
reading	☐	☐	☐

6. Activities in the Netherlands

- 6.1

Do you work in the Netherlands?

☐ yes, I have paid work

☐ no, I do not have any paid work. → go to question 6.5
- 6.2

What kind of work do you do?
- 6.3

Which company or organisation do you work for?
- 6.4

How many hours a week do you work (on average)?
- 6.5

Are you a member of a religious community?

☐ yes

☐ no → go to question 6.9
- 6.6

What do you do in this religious community?

☐ I attend services → go to question 6.8

☐ I attend services and am actively involved in the religious community

☐ I do not attend services and am not actively involved → go to question 6.9
- 6.7

What do you do for your religious community?
- 6.8

On average, how often do you attend this religious community each month?
- 6.9

Are you a member of a club or organisation, such as a sports club or a club for another hobby?

☐ yes

☐ no → go to question 7

6.10 Which club and/or organisation?

6.11 On average, how many hours per month are you involved with this club and/or organisation?

6.12 Are you actively involved in this club or organisation?

- ☐ yes
- ☐ no [→ go to question 6.14](#)

6.13 What do you do for the club and/or organisation?

6.14 Do you do any other volunteer work, aside from the club, organisation, or religious community you mentioned?

- ☐ yes
- ☐ no [→ go to question 6.17](#)

6.15 What kind of volunteer work do you do?

6.16 How many hours (on average) do you work as a volunteer per week?

6.17 Are you currently in school or studying in the Netherlands? Or have you done so in the past?

- ☐ yes
- ☐ no [→ go to question 7](#)

6.18 What is the name of the study programme and the educational institution?

6.19 When did you start this? And what is the (expected) end date?
from (dd-mm-yyyy) _____ to (dd-mm-yyyy) _____
from (dd-mm-yyyy) _____ to (dd-mm-yyyy) _____

7. Family and friends in the Netherlands

7.1 Do you have any family members living in the Netherlands?
☐ yes
☐ no → go to question 7.4

7.2 How are you related to each other?

7.3 How and how often do you stay in touch with your family in the Netherlands?

7.4 Do you have friends and/or acquaintances in the Netherlands?
☐ yes
☐ no → go to question 8

7.5 How and how often do you stay in touch with these friends and acquaintances?

8. Country of origin

The country of origin is the country of your nationality.

8.1 When did you live in your country of origin? Give the start and end dates as precisely as possible.

from (dd-mm-yyyy)

to (dd-mm-yyyy)

from (dd-mm-yyyy)

to (dd-mm-yyyy)

from (dd-mm-yyyy)

to (dd-mm-yyyy)

8.2 How well do you know the language of this country?

	poor	reasonable	good
speaking	☐	☐	☐
listening	☐	☐	☐
writing	☐	☐	☐
reading	☐	☐	☐

8.3 Did you attend school in your country of origin?

☐ yes

☐ no

→ go to question 8.5

8.4 What study programmes did you complete?

8.5 Did you work in your country of origin?

☐ yes

☐ no

→ go to question 8.8

8.6 What kind of work did you do there?

- 8.7 How long did you do that work? Give as precise a start and end date (dd-mm-yyyy) as possible.
occupation _____ from _____ to _____
occupation _____ from _____ to _____
occupation _____ from _____ to _____
- 8.8 Were you a member of a religious community, club, or organisation?
☐ yes
☐ no → go to question 8.11
- 8.9 Of which religious community, club and/or organisation?

- 8.10 How many hours (on average) per month did you spend on this?

- 8.11 Do you have family living in your country of origin?
☐ yes
☐ no → go to question 8.14
- 8.12 How are you related to each other?

- 8.13 How and how often do you stay in touch with this family?

- 8.14 Do you have friends and/or acquaintances in your country of origin?
☐ yes
☐ no → go to question 8.16

8.15 How and how often do you stay in touch with these friends and acquaintances?

8.16 Have you returned to your country of origin after the date you entered in question 8.1?

- ☐ yes
- ☐ no → go to question 8.19

8.17 When did you visit there? Give the start and end dates as precisely as possible.

from (dd-mm-yyyy) _____ to (dd-mm-yyyy) _____

from (dd-mm-yyyy) _____ to (dd-mm-yyyy) _____

from (dd-mm-yyyy) _____ to (dd-mm-yyyy) _____

8.18 Why did you go to your country of origin?

8.19 Why can you not, or do you not want to, return to your country of origin to build a life there?

9. Residence in another country

Have you lived in another country than your country of origin and the Netherlands?
Answer the questions for the country where you felt most at home.

- 9.1 Have you lived in a country other than the Netherlands and your country of origin?
Or were you there for more than 3 months?

☐ yes

☐ no → go to question 10
- 9.2 In which country have you lived?

- 9.3 When did you live there? Give the start and end dates as precisely as possible.
from (dd-mm-yyyy) _____ to (dd-mm-yyyy) _____
from (dd-mm-yyyy) _____ to (dd-mm-yyyy) _____
from (dd-mm-yyyy) _____ to (dd-mm-yyyy) _____
- 9.4 Why did you live there?

- 9.5 Do you or did you have a residence permit there?

☐ yes

☐ no
- 9.6 How well do you know the language of this country?

	poor	reasonable	good
speaking	☐	☐	☐
listening	☐	☐	☐
writing	☐	☐	☐
reading	☐	☐	☐
- 9.7 Did you attend school in this country?

☐ yes

☐ no → go to question 9.9

9.8 What study programmes did you complete there?

9.9 Did you work in this country?

☐ yes

☐ no → go to question 9.12

9.10 What kind of work did you do there?

9.11 How long did you do that work? Give as precise a start and end date (dd-mm-yyyy) as possible.

occupation _____ from _____ to _____

occupation _____ from _____ to _____

occupation _____ from _____ to _____

9.12 Were you a member of a religious community, club, or organisation?

☐ yes

☐ no → go to question 9.15

9.13 Of which religious community, club or organisation?

9.14 How many hours (on average) per month did you spend on this?

9.15 Do you have any family members living in this country?

☐ yes

☐ no → go to question 9.18

9.16 How are you related to each other?

- 9.17 How and how often do you stay in touch with these family members?
-
- 9.18 Why can you not, or do you not want to, return to that country to build a life there?
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10. Special circumstances

- 10.1 Do you have any medical issues?
- ☐ yes

☐ no → go to question 10.5
- 10.2 Are you receiving treatment in the Netherlands for these medical issues?
- ☐ yes

☐ no
- 10.3 Are these medical issues one of the reasons you want to stay in the Netherlands?
- ☐ yes

☐ no → go to question 10.5
- 10.4 What medical issues do you have?
-
- 10.5 Are there any (other) special circumstances that might be relevant to this application?
- ☐ yes

☐ no → go to question 10.9

10.6 Explain the circumstances here.

10.7 Is this the reason you want to stay in the Netherlands?

- ☐ yes
- ☐ no → go to question 10.9

10.8 Why does this mean it is better for you to be in the Netherlands?

10.9 Is there any other reason why you have a special connection to the Netherlands?

- ☐ yes
- ☐ no → go to question 12

10.10 What is/are this reason or reasons?

→ go to question 12

EXTENSION

You currently have a residence permit under Article 8 ECHR (private life). You want to extend this residence permit. For this reason, the IND needs to know if your situation has changed since you were granted this residence permit.

11. Changed situation

- 11.1 Has anything changed in your situation? Several answers are possible.
- ☐ yes, I have been abroad for more than 6 months without interruption, specifically:
from (dd-mm-yyyy) _____ to _____ in _____ (country)
from (dd-mm-yyyy) _____ to _____ in _____ (country)
from (dd-mm-yyyy) _____ to _____ in _____ (country)

☐ yes, I have spent more than 4 months abroad without interruption in at least 3 consecutive years, specifically:
from (dd-mm-yyyy) _____ to _____ in _____ (country)
from (dd-mm-yyyy) _____ to _____ in _____ (country)
from (dd-mm-yyyy) _____ to _____ in _____ (country)

☐ yes, I am (or was) registered in a foreign municipality.

☐ yes, some other change, specifically (give the reason)

☐ no, there has been no change.

DECLARE, SIGN AND COLLECT

12. Collecting the residence document

- 12.1 In case of a positive decision, where will you collect the residence document?
- ☐ Amsterdam

☐ Den Haag

☐ 's-Hertogenbosch (Den Bosch)

☐ Goes

☐ Maastricht

☐ Nijmegen

☐ Zwolle

13. Declaration and signature

13.1 I declare that I

- ✓ filled in this form completely and honestly.
- ✓ know that the application will take longer if I do not submit all required documents.
- ✓ know that my residence permit may be withdrawn if I provide incorrect information now or in the future. Or if I do not share important information.
- ✓ know that the IND may report me to the police if I commit a criminal offence by deliberately failing to provide important information. And/or by deliberately providing incorrect information.
- ✓ report important changes in my situation.
- ✓ know that the IND uses the personal details on this form for its statutory duties and can forward this personal data to other organisations that will use it in their work.

13.2 Your surname and initials or the surname and initials of your authorised person, your parent with parental authority, or other legal representative

13.3 Place _____ Date (dd-mm-yyyy) _____

13.4 Signature

Always sign with a black or dark blue pen, even when filling in the rest of the form digitally



→ go to Submitting documents on the next page, for the documents you need for your application

SUBMITTING DOCUMENTS

Explanation of documents

- Always submit the general documents with this form. And the documents appropriate to your situation:
 1. General (always submit these)
 2. Residence in the Netherlands
 3. Dutch language
 4. Activities in the Netherlands
 5. Contact with family and friends
 6. Country of origin
 7. Residence in another country
 8. Medical situation
 9. Other special situations
- Submit the documents appropriate that apply to your situation with this form. The documents are included in the list below. You do not have to submit the list with your application.
- The documents are an important part of your application. They prove that you are entitled to reside in the Netherlands. Make sure you gather these documents first, as this takes time. Read on ind.nl/en/documents how to have official foreign documents legalised and translated.
- If it says 'for example', you may choose which documents to include. If you fail to submit enough suitable documents and/or neglect to have foreign documents legalised and translated, it will take longer for the IND to decide. The IND can also reject your application because of insufficient evidence. That is because we would then be unable to determine if you are eligible for this residence permit.
- Always submit copies of original documents. Copies of certificates and passports must be in colour. The same applies for photos. The rest may be a black-and-white copy.
- You must enclose statements. A statement is a document in which you or someone else says something about the situation. This could be a statement from yourself, family, friends or acquaintances, or an impartial person or organisation. Statements from independent and impartial individuals and organisations carry the most weight when assessing your application.
- The statement must be clearly legible and preferably typed. The person making the statement must sign the document.
- Are you including a statement from your child's other parent, a relative, friend or acquaintance? You should then send a copy of this person's ID.

- Is a statement by an organisation on official letterhead, with a stamp attached? Then you do not need to submit a copy of the passport of the person signing the statement. If the statement is not on official stationery and without a stamp, this copy should be included.

1. General

☐ **Copy of passport or other travel document**

Copy the page with identity details and the pages with travel stamps. So do not copy blank pages.

☐ **Copy of proof of residence in the Netherlands**

If you are not registered in the Personal Records Database (BRP), you have to submit copies of documents showing that you live in the Netherlands. For example, a tenancy/purchase agreement for a home, proof of payment of rent, bank statements, energy bills and/or other bills showing your name and address. Read more about the [BRP](https://ind.nl/en/authorisation) at netherlandsworldwide.nl.

☐ **Appendix Authorisation declaration**

Do you have an authorised person? But have you not yet authorised this person? Fill in the [Authorisation declaration](#) (pdf, 165 kB) at ind.nl/en/authorisation and submit the form with the application.

☐ **Appendix Antecedents certificate**

If you are 12 years of age or older. Download the [Appendix Antecedents Certificate](#) at ind.nl/en/antecedentscertificate.

☐ **Statement if applicant is a minor**

Are you a child 18 years old or younger? Include a letter describing your family and your situation. Be sure to include the following in this statement:

- Where do your parents live?
- Do you live with one or both of your parents?
- Are your parents still together?
- How dependent are you on your parents?
- Do you need extra support? For example, are you enrolled in special education?
- What is the situation of the family? Is the family having problems? Is there any assistance?
- What are the consequences if you (and your parent or parents) have to leave the Netherlands?
- Can your parents help you build a life in your country of origin? Or in another country where you have lived?

☐ **Appendix Declaration of consent of the parent remaining behind**

If you are 17 years of age or younger. Do you have another parent who has parental authority over you? Is that parent not in the Netherlands and are they also not coming to the Netherlands? Then this parent has to fill in the appendix [Declaration of consent of the parent remaining behind](#) (pdf, 149 kB). This can be found at ind.nl/declaration-consent. Submit this declaration with your application. Are you unable to obtain this declaration? Then download the appendix [Declaration not submitted Declaration of consent of the parent remaining behind](#) (pdf, 145 kB) at ind.nl/en/absence-declaration. And submit it with your application.

2. Residence in the Netherlands

☐ **Copy of proof of residence in the Netherlands**

Submit copies of documents showing that you were in the Netherlands. And when. This applies to every time you were in the Netherlands. For example (airline) tickets, photographs, booking confirmations, visas and travel stamps in your passport. Or, for example, a tenancy agreement or enrolment at an educational institution. Or a letter from family, friends or other people you know. In this statement, they should confirm that you were in the Netherlands, when this was and what you did here.

3. Dutch language

☐ **Copy of proof of completion of civic integration course**

Have you completed a civic integration course? Submit copies of documents showing that you have taken and passed the course. For example, your course certificate. Are you still taking a civic integration course? Include a letter from your teacher. This statement must indicate that you are taking the course, when you started taking it, and the expected exam date.

☐ **Copy of proof of Dutch language proficiency**

Do you speak Dutch? Submit copies of documents showing that you have taken a Dutch language course, or a letter from one of the instructors of that course. This statement indicates that you speak Dutch and how well you speak it. Or proof that you have completed a Dutch-language study programme.

4. Activities in the Netherlands

☐ **Copy of proof of paid employment**

Do you have paid work? If so, submit copies of documents showing that you work in the Netherlands. For example, an employment contract, payslips and annual statement(s). Do you work as a self-employed person? Include the Chamber of Commerce (KVK) registration number. And the balance sheet, income statements, or operating results.

□ Copy of proof of volunteer work

Do you volunteer? Submit copies of documents showing that you do volunteer work. For example, a volunteer contract. Or a letter from your supervisor stating that you do volunteer work. This statement must include the type of volunteer work you do, the average number of hours you volunteer each month, and the organisation where you volunteer.

□ Copy of proof of membership in a church, club and/or organisation

Are you a member of a church, club, or organisation? Submit copies of documents proving each membership. For example, a certificate of registration or receipt for payment of your membership dues. Are you actively involved? In that case, include a letter from, for example, the president of the club or association, or the leader of the religious community. This statement must describe what you do. And how many hours a week, on average, you spend on that.

□ Copy of proof of education

Are you currently in school or studying? Or have you done so in the Netherlands? If so, submit a copy of a document showing that you have completed the study programme. For example, a diploma or certificate from courses or programmes. Or a copy of a document showing that you are currently in school or studying, such as a proof of registration or school report.

5. Contact with family and friends

□ Proof of contact with family

Do you have family in the Netherlands? If so, please send copies of documents showing that you are in contact with them, and how often you are in contact. For example, photos, chats, and/or social media posts. Including the date. And/or a letter from one or more family members. In this statement, your family member describes their contact with you in the Netherlands. The letter must state how often and in what manner you are in contact.

□ Proof of contact with friends and acquaintances

Do you have any friends and/or acquaintances in the Netherlands? If so, please send copies of documents showing that you are in contact with them. For example, photos, chats, and/or social media posts. Including the date. And/or a letter from one or more friends and/or acquaintances. In this statement, this person describes their contact with you in the Netherlands. The letter must state how often and in what manner you are in contact.

6. Country of origin

☐ **Proof of country of origin**

Include copies of documents proving that you have lived in this country. For example:

- documents showing that you were registered with a municipality or other local government in your country of origin, and the dates of such registration. For example, an extract from the population register. Or proof of registration and deregistration.
- documents related to your work in the country. For example, an employment contract, payslips and annual statement(s). Do you work as a self-employed person? Include proof of the registration of your company. And the balance sheet, income statements, or operating results.
- documents proving that you have completed a study programme or course. For example, diplomas and certificates.
- documents showing that you had health insurance.

7. Residence in another country

☐ **Proof of residence in other country**

Have you lived in a country other than the Netherlands or your country of origin? If so, include copies of documents proving that you have lived in another country. For example:

- documents showing that you were legally permitted to be in that country. For example, a residence document. Or a document containing a government decision.
- documents showing that you were registered with the foreign municipality or other local government and the dates of such registration. For example, an extract from the population register. Or proof of registration and deregistration.
- documents related to your work in that country. For example, an employment contract, payslips and an annual statement. Do you work as a self-employed person? Include proof of the registration of your company. And the balance sheet, income statements, or operating results.
- documents showing that you had health insurance in that country.
- documents proving that you have completed a study programme or course in that country. For example, diplomas and certificates.

8. Medical situation

☐ **Proof of medical condition**

Are you unable or unwilling to leave the Netherlands (in part) because of your medical condition? And are you receiving treatment for this in the Netherlands? Then you must submit:

- the appendix [Proof of medical situation of foreign national](https://ind.nl/en/proof-medical-situation) (pdf, 178 kB) at ind.nl/en/proof-medical-situation. In this document, we ask your doctor a few questions about your condition.
- The appendix [Medical information disclosure consent form](https://ind.nl/en/declaration-consent-medical) (pdf, 199 kB) at ind.nl/en/declaration-consent-medical. By submitting this document, you are, among other things, giving the IND permission to ask your doctor additional questions about your medical condition. You must have signed the statement no more than 6 months ago.
- the documents from the appendix [Explanation and means of evidence medical conditions](https://ind.nl/en/documents-medical-situation) (pdf, 279 kB) at ind.nl/en/documents-medical-situation. You must ask your doctor for these documents.

9. Other special situations

☐ **Proof in the event of special situations**

Did you answer “yes” to question 10.5 and/or 10.9? Then submit copies of documents that prove what you have written.