



Residence Permits (ADET)




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- ✓ If you have been granted refugee status from the Hellenic Republic you can acquire a residence permit that is valid for three (3) years. In order to renew your residence permit you need to apply by email thirty (30) calendar days before it expires at the [Asylum Unit of International Protection Beneficiaries](#).
- ✓ If you are a beneficiary of subsidiary protection, your residence permit is valid for one (1) year and can be renewed for two (2) more years.
- ✓ When you obtain international protection (refugee status or subsidiary protection) you have the right to a residence permit. You will receive a document from the supervisor of the Regional Asylum Office that contains the decision of the Asylum Service that states that you have been granted a residence permit (ADET).
- ✓ After you receive the above decision, in order to obtain the actual physical residence permit you have to submit an application to Passport Offices.



How to submit an application in order to obtain your physical residence permit (ADET):

 You have to submit an application to a Passport Office according to your area of residence. You have to choose a Passport Office [from this specific list](#), according to your residence area.



You have to bring with you at the Passport Office the following documents:

- ✓ An exact copy of the original decision document provided by the supervisor of the Regional Asylum Office that shows that the Asylum Service has decided the issue of your residence permit.
- ✓ Your International Protection Applicant's card with the stamp "Residence Permit is Pending." You will get this stamp from the Regional Asylum Office.
- ✓ A recent passport of Greek passport type.
- ✓ Your fingerprints will also be taken.
- ✓ You don't have to submit any other document or pay an administrative fee.



You will receive a receipt from the Passport Office from the documents you submitted. You should not lose this receipt as you will need to provide it to the Regional Asylum Office or Asylum Unit when you pick up our residence permit.



How to pick up your physical residence permit (ADET)

- ✓ You have to pick up your residence permit from a [Regional Asylum Office or Asylum Unit](#). You have to pick up your residence permit from the Regional Asylum Office or Asylum Unit that has the same geographical jurisdiction as the Passport Office you submitted your application.
- ✓ For example, if you submitted an application at the Passport Office of Samos you have to pick up your residence permit from the Regional Asylum Office of Samos, even if in the meantime you have left Samos and now live somewhere else.
- ✓ [See the geographical jurisdiction of Passport offices.](#) [See the geographical jurisdiction of Regional Asylum Offices.](#)
- ✓ When new residence permits are ready, announcements are posted. In order to check whether your residence permit is ready you have to search



the recent announcement in **Residence Permits that are Ready**, using your case number.

- ✓ You have to pick up your residence permit at the time and date as specified in the announcement that contains your case number.
- ✓ You have to go to the Regional Asylum Office or Asylum Unit to pick up your residence permit in person. You can not send someone else on your behalf.
- ✓ You have to **wear a mask** when you visit the Regional Asylum Office or Asylum Unit to pick up your residence permit.



When you pick up your residence permit you have to bring with you the following:

- The receipt from the Passport Office you received for the documents you submitted.
- Your International Protection Applicant's card with the stamp "Residence Permit is Pending," that you have to give to the Regional Asylum Office when you receive your residence permit.



The residence permits of your family

If the members of your family have international protection (refugee status or subsidiary protection) they have to apply to Passport Offices in order to receive their physical residence permit and submit the documents described above. They must come in person to apply. Residence permits are individual.

✓ In some cases the members of your family may be eligible for a residence permit although they don't have international protection (refugee status or subsidiary protection). These cases are described below:

- If you had a child before you came to Greece, your child is eligible for a residence permit. In this case, in order to obtain a residence



permit for your child you have to submit an application to the competent Regional Asylum Office. With this application you also have to submit a certified copy of the birth certificate of the child. Afterwards you have to apply to Passport Offices as described above in order to obtain the physical residence permit for your child.

- If you have international protection and you got married or had children after you came to Greece, these members of your family are eligible for a residence permit. In this case you have to submit to the competent Regional Asylum office: an application, a certified copy of the marriage certificate (if you are applying for the residence permit of your spouse), a certified copy of the birth certificate of your child or a child recognition act (if you are applying for the residence permit of your child). Afterwards you have to apply to Passport Offices as described above in order to obtain their physical residence permits.
- If members of your family have moved to Greece via the “family reunification process,” they can apply for a residence permit by submitting their original passport or travel document to the Asylum Service. They also have to present to the Asylum Service their entry visa for Greece. Afterwards they have to apply to Passport Offices as described above in order to obtain their physical residence permits.



For more information on the above please contact the [Regional Asylum Offices or Asylum Units](#).