

To the attention of Ukrainian citizens arriving into the territory of the Republic of Bulgaria

We inform you that on the basis of Regulation (EU) 2018/1806 of the European Parliament and Council, citizens of Ukraine have the right of visa-free entry into the Republic of Bulgaria and the right of 90-day residence stay within every 6 months period in the Republic of Bulgaria.

The period may be extended for humanitarian reasons related to emergency circumstances, according to art. 27, para. 2 of the Law on Aliens in the Republic of Bulgaria (LARB). The order on which Ukrainian citizens can benefit from the right of additional stay on the territory of our country is defined in the Regulations on the implementation of the Law on Aliens in the Republic of Bulgaria (LARB Regulations).

Ukrainian citizens wishing to extend their visa-free stay in the Republic of Bulgaria can apply to the Migration Directorate - Ministry of Interior (MoI) or in "Migration" sectors and groups at the Regional Directorates of Ministry of Interior (RDI) before the expiration of the permitted period of residence under visa-free regime. They will receive the application form on the spot or they can fill it in advance by downloading it from the website of the Migration Directorate - MoI (sample according to Appendix № 2 to Art. 11, para. 3 of the LARB Regulations).

Ukrainian citizens of Bulgarian origin can obtain a permit for long-term or permanent residence in the Republic of Bulgaria in case they have concluded employment contract with a Bulgarian employer for a period of more than 6 months.

Citizens of Ukraine wishing to receive international protection (status of refugee or humanitarian status) may apply to the offices of the State Agency for Refugees at the Council of Ministers, as for the city of Sofia has been appointed the Regional Department of Ministry of Internal Affairs at the address zh. k. Ovcha Kupel 2, ul. Montevideo 21, or before the authorities of Migration Directorate – MoI, as well as before departments/sectors/groups "Migration" at RDI and before the bodies of the General Directorate "Border Police" - MoI.

For further information, Ukrainian citizens could visit the Migration Directorate - Ministry of Interior at Sofia, blvd Knyaginya Maria Luiza № 48. In case they reside outside the city of Sofia, they could visit the relevant sector/group "Migration" at the Regional Directorate of the Ministry of Interior according to their place of residence in the country.

For any additional questions they can check the website of the Migration Directorate.

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