What is an asylum reception centre?

If you have arrived with your parents and applied for protection, this information is for you.
A place to live while you wait

You and your family might have to live at an asylum reception centre for a long time while you wait to find out whether you can stay in Norway.

You might have to live at different reception centres while you wait.

There are many other people at the asylum reception centres who have also applied for protection.

Life at the reception centre

At the asylum reception centre, your family will have a place to live with a bed for each of you, and a place where you can make food. You will also receive money for food and clothing.

You will receive medical help if you are ill. The staff at the asylum reception centre will help you contact a doctor.

If you are a child over the age of 6, you will go to school. Your parents will be able to go to school to learn Norwegian and to learn about Norway.

There are adults at the reception centre who can give you and your family information that you need to know. The people working at the reception centre do not decide whether you can stay in Norway.

Internet and activities

You can use free internet at the reception centre. While you live at the centre, you can take part in different activities as well as going to school.

More information about what happens when you apply for protection: [www.UDI.no](http://www.UDI.no)