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# **Relocation Guide**



# About Relocation Guide

Dear reader,

this relocation guide contains information and guidance about moving from abroad to Norway. It is tailored for international workers and family members who are moving from abroad because of work and family opportunities to Norway.

This guide includes guidance about essentials regarding official matters but it does not cover individual circumstances and matters affecting it. Relocation is an individual journey that cannot be generalized but only personalized in this system.

We hope this guide will be useful for you about public matters by taking care of official steps in your relocation journey!

Wishing you the best as you embrace this journey!

Sincerely,

The Information Hub Mo i Rana.



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# Contact Points

The Norwegian immigration system is complicated with interconnected points in the immigration process.

**The Norwegian Directorate of Immigration**

**The Norwegian Police Immigration Unit**

**The Norwegian Tax Administration**

## Links

<https://udi.no/>

<https://www.politiet.no/en/english/>

<https://www.skatteetaten.no/en/person/foreign/>

Find relevant websites and resources for relocation to Norway in the blue box!

**Information websites and key links about relocation**

**Work in Norway**

**New in Norway**

**Info Norden  
Information Service**



# Contact Points

## The Norwegian Directorate of Immigration (UDI)

The Norwegian Directorate of Immigration (UDI) is responsible for processing applications from foreign nationals who wish to visit or live in Norway, the running of asylum reception centres and expulsion cases. UDI is responsible for providing information and guidance about immigration cases to Norway.

Use this link to go the official website to UDI: <https://udi.no/>

## The Norwegian Police Immigration Unit (Utlendingsforvaltning)

The Norwegian Police Immigration Unit (Utlendingsforvaltning) through local police districts are under the Norwegian Directorate of Immigration (UDI) in Norway. Police stations can receive and prepare applications for residence and work permits, where they can process applications themselves, but they cannot reject them. The police can open expulsion cases to be decided by UDI, and they can also make decisions on rejection.

Use this link to go the official website to the Norwegian Immigration Unit: <https://www.politiet.no/en/english/residence-permits-and-protection/>

## The Norwegian Tax Administration (Skatteetaten)

The Norwegian Tax Administration (Skatteetaten) is responsible for an updated population register and ensuring that tax and duties are assessed and paid correctly. The Norwegian Tax Administration (Skatteetaten) have their own Foreign webportal, where you can find information and guidance about moving and living in Norway.

Use this link to go the Foreign webportal to the Norwegian Tax Administration: <https://www.skatteetaten.no/en/person/foreign/>

# General guidelines to Nordic citizens

General guidelines about moving to Norway for Nordic citizens.

## Registering your move to Norway

Nordic citizens intending to live more than 6 months in Norway must report their move to the Norwegian Tax Administration.

## Tax Card and a Norwegian Identification Number

Nordic citizens who are going to work must apply for a tax deduction card, and to receive a Norwegian Identification Number.

The main contact point for Nordic citizens moving to Norway is the Norwegian Tax Administration (Skatteetaten).

**[Click here to go directly to the Foreign webportal to Skatteetaten.](#)**

Use Info Norden Information Service to find information and guidance about moving and living in Norway for Nordic Citizens.

**[Click here to go to Info Norden Information Service.](#)**

## **Registration to Skatteetaten**

If you are a Nordic citizen who are going to move and live in Norway, you must not register to the Norwegian police.

Register with the Norwegian Tax Administration (Skatteetaten).



# General guidelines to EU/EEA citizens

General guidelines about moving to Norway for EU/EEA citizens.

## Residence according to the EU/EEA regulations

EU/EEA citizens have residence in Norway according to the EU/EEA regulations. EU/EEA workers and family members must either apply for a residence card or use the registration form online to the Norwegian Directorate of Immigration (UDI).

[Go to UDI webportal about residence according to the EU/EEA regulations here.](#)

## Register with the Norwegian Police

EU/EEA citizens must register with the Norwegian police during the first 3 months upon arrival when moving to Norway.

[Go to the English website to Politiet to read about residence permits and protection.](#)

## Register with the Norwegian Tax Administration

Everyone who works must have a tax deduction card and a Norwegian Identification Number before they start working in Norway.

[Go to Skatteetaten webportal about what you need to do before you start working here.](#)

Use the website [www.workinnorway.no](http://www.workinnorway.no) to find information and guidance for EU/EEA citizens moving and living in Norway.

[Click here to go to website Work in Norway.](#)

## **The EU/EEA countries**

The countries in The European Economic Area are either called EU/EEA countries or EEA countries. This includes the EU member states and the EFTA member states.

[Here you can find an official list of the EU/EEA countries.](#)

# General guidelines to non-EU/EEA citizens

General guidelines about moving to Norway based on contact points.

## Residence permit

Non- EU/EEA citizens must have a residence permit in order to move and live in Norway. There are different types of residence permits where we can separate between work permits, study permits, and family permits.

Use the official website to UDI to find information and guidance about permits.

The main contact point for non-EU/EEA citizens are the Norwegian Directorate of Immigration (UDI).

[Go to UDI here.](#)



## **Book your appointments**

Book your appointments with the **Norwegian Police** and the **Norwegian Tax Administration** by using the online portal to UDI.

You must attend these appointments in-person.

Use the website **[www.workinnorway.no](http://www.workinnorway.no)** and **[www.nyinorge.no](http://www.nyinorge.no)** to find information and guidance about moving to Norway.

[Go to Work in Norway here.](#)  
[Go to Ny i Norge here.](#)



# Tips and advice

General tips and advice based on information guidance given by the Norwegian Directorate of Immigration (UDI).

## **Checklists**

Use the official checklists to UDI which explains documents you must hand in your application to UDI. Keep in mind that this checklist is very general and detailed to your personal application of residence permit.

## **Waiting time**

Remember to check the official waiting time to processing applications with documents to UDI. Waiting time can be very general and detailed to your personal application of residence permit.

## **Word definitions**

Use the official webportal about word definitions to your application to UDI. This can help you to understand what kind of documents you must deliver with your application of residence permit.

## **Book your appointments**

It is important to book your appointments with the Norwegian Police by using the online portal to UDI. Remember you can always receive help regarding your residence permit through your national embassy.

## **Power of Attorney/Authorisation**

Power of Attorney or Authorisation is when you want someone to act on your behalf in connection with your application, where you must authorise a person to do so. This could be someone you trust living in Norway.

## **Apostille or legalisation**

Get your documents in order by following the checklist to your residence permit to UDI. Documents must be translated into English or Norwegian if it is in another language, and documents might need Apostille or legalisation.

Find more information about **[Apostille and legalisation in EU/EEA-cases to UDI.](#)**  
Read more about **[Apostille and legalisation in family immigration cases to UDI.](#)**

## **Fees**

Keep in mind that there are specific fees for applications and registrations to UDI.

# Norwegian Identification Number

Here is what you need to know about Norwegian Identification Number when you are relocating to Norway.

## Norwegian Identification Number

A Norwegian Identification Number is a personal identification number used when you have a connection to Norway. Public and private enterprises require that you have a Norwegian identification Number to get access their services.

[Read and learn more about Norwegian Identification Number here.](#)

Use the Foreign webportal to the Norwegian Tax Administration to find more information:

<https://www.skatteetaten.no/en/person/foreign/>



## Norwegian Identification Numbers

A **D-number** is a identification number that may be given to you if you have a temporary connection to Norway.

A **National Identity Number** is a unique number given to Norwegian citizen abroad, children born in Norway, and persons move to Norway is approved.

# Norwegian Identification Number

## Reporting a move to Norway

The Norwegian Tax Administration is responsible for updating the National Population Registry in Norway. **The National Population Registry** contains information about everyone who either is or has been a resident in Norway.

You are required to register to the Norwegian Tax Administration by reporting a move to Norway, if you are staying more than **6 months** in Norway.

**[Report a move to Norway through the Norwegian Tax Administration here.](#)**

Remember to book appointment at your local tax office if you are a foreign worker who is coming to work in Norway!

## Find your local tax office

**[Here you can find your local tax office and book an appointment.](#)**

## Good to know

The Norwegian Tax Administration can only issue D-numbers to foreign workers in Norway.

**[Click here to find an overview of who may order D-numbers.](#)**



# Electronic ID

Everything you need to know Electronic ID.

## Electronic ID

An electronic ID is used when you need to confirm your identity when using digital services. You must either have a D-number or National Identity Number to obtain an electronic ID to access digital services in Norway.

## Digital Services

- Personal tax services
- Personal bank services
- Personal mail boxes
- Personal healthcare services
- Personal educational services



## How to obtain an electronic ID

Here you find an overview about how to obtain an electronic ID.

**[Read the official guide to digdir about electronic ID.](#)**

**[Read the official guide to the Norwegian Tax Administration about how to get electronic ID.](#)**



# Bank account

How to open a bank account in Norway.

## What you will need to open a bank account

- Norwegian Identification Number.
- Valid passport and identity documents.
- Updated contact information.
- Employment contract.
- Tenancy agreement.

Find more information and guidance about how to open a bank account in Norway [here](#).

[Use this link here.](#)



## Where to open a bank account

[DnB Nor](#)

[Sparebank1](#)

## Bank and Insurance

Finance Norway has made an official English guide to bank and insurance when you are new in Norway.

[Read and learn New in Norway.](#)

# Website and Services

## Information websites about immigration to Norway

[www.udi.no](http://www.udi.no)

[www.politiet.no](http://www.politiet.no)

[www.skatteetaten.no](http://www.skatteetaten.no)

## Guides about immigration to Norway

[www.norge.no](http://www.norge.no)

[www.nyinorge.no](http://www.nyinorge.no)

[www.norway.no](http://www.norway.no)

## [Info Norden Information Service](#)

[www.workinnorway.no](http://www.workinnorway.no)

[www.studyinnorway.no](http://www.studyinnorway.no)

[Europass Norway](#)

[Euraxess Norway](#)

## Other useful guides

[www.visitnorway.no](http://www.visitnorway.no)

[www.visithelgeland.no](http://www.visithelgeland.no)

# Q&A Relocation

## **Where do I start my relocation journey to Norway?**

Start with researching and investigating information and guidance to UDI.

## **How can I start my relocation journey to Norway?**

Start with using the main contact point in your relocation journey.

## **Who can I ask for help about my relocation journey?**

You can contact your national embassy if you are struggling with the process, or you can use your main contact point in your relocation journey.

## **Where can I ask for assistance about translating documents?**

It is advised to ask your national embassy if you need help with translating documents. The Norwegian National Register of Interpreters have official lists of approved translators operating in Norway. It is advised to use these official lists.

## **Are there any fees related to applications and registrations?**

There are fees related to applications and registrations which varies between different categories of applications and registrations.

## **How can I book appointments with the contact points?**

You can book appointments with them through using their official websites by logging into your profile. You can call or chat with them online if you need to receive assistance of booking appointments with them.

## **Are there waiting times for booking appointments?**

Waiting times for booking appointments varies between contact points. Use the official websites to the contact points to find specific information about waiting times for booking appointments. It is advised to book ahead of time.

# Q&A Relocation

## **What is the maximum amount of time you can stay as a visitor in Norway?**

This is very individual. Use the official website to UDI to find the maximum amount of time you can stay as a visitor in Norway.



## **How much time should I calculate receiving letter(s) in my mail box from my contact point regarding my own case?**

Be aware of that it can take some time before you receive letter(s) your mail box from your contact point regarding your own case. It is advised to calculate more than a few days, but in some cases you should calculate a couple of weeks before you receive it. Keep your contact information and postal address updated.

## **Where is the nearest police station in the Helgeland region?**

The nearest police station for registration is Mosjøen police station.

## **Where is the nearest local tax office in the Helgeland region?**

The nearest tax office is the tax office in Mo i Rana.

## **What kind of temporary solutions can be useful for me?**

Temporary housing such as Airbnb, camping site or hotel, and temporary healthcare insurance, and having a bank account with electronic payments.

## **What will I need to open a Norwegian bank account?**

You will need a Norwegian Identification Number to open a bank account in Norway. You can order Electronic ID if you have a Norwegian Identification Number.

## **What will i need to find housing in Mo i Rana?**

You will need a Norwegian Identification Number and Electronic ID to open a Norwegian bank account, either for renting a home or buying a home in Mo i Rana. Read and learn more about housing in the Housing Guide!