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1. General information



Language

The common official language is Hungarian.



Administrative settings

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Hungary is a unitary state nation divided into 19 counties (known as megye) and the capital city Budapest.



Population

The resident population is over 9.7 million.



Emergency contacts

- ◆ Emergency number is **112**

Driving licence

If you are a resident in Hungary and your driver's licence was not issued in Hungary, you can still use it for some time before you are required to localise it, depending on where it was issued.

- ◆ Issued in an country of the European Economic Area: you can use it in Hungary for 2 years (but no longer than the validity of the driving licence).
- ◆ Issued in another country that joined the Vienna Convention on Road Traffic: you can use it in Hungary for 1 year (but no longer than the validity of the driving licence).

If your licence was issued in any other country, you will need to localise it before you can drive a car in Hungary. Localisation of your licence requires the following documentation:

- ◆ your driver's licence
- ◆ your residence permit
- ◆ a certificate of medical aptitude.

More information regarding the driving licence is available here: <https://helpers.hu/residence-permit/localizing-and-renewing-your-drivers-license-in-hungary/>





Ukrainian embassy in Hungary

- ◆ Address of the Embassy of Ukraine: Istenhegyi út 84/b, 1125 Budapest
Contact number: +36 14224120

2. Entry to Hungary

Holders of a biometric passport can enter visa-free and stay in the country for a total of 90 days within the last 180 days.

In the absence of a biometric passport, Ukrainians with a non-biometric passport can enter the country. Persons without any documents should report to the police at the border, who will register them and provide them with the necessary documents depending on their legal status.

More information is available here: http://www.bmbah.hu/index.php?option=com_k2&view=item&id=1735:national-directorate-general-for-aliens-policing-information-for-people-fleeing-ukraine&Itemid=2108&lang=en

Health screening / COVID-19 requirements / vaccinations

Restrictions due to COVID-19 measures no longer apply when entering the country in general for all travellers. Hungary offers COVID-19 vaccinations to displaced persons who arrive in the country. The official COVID-19 website is available here: <https://koronavirus.gov.hu>



3. Temporary protection

The following categories of persons are eligible for temporary protection:

- ◆ Ukrainian citizens residing in Ukraine before 24 February 2022;
- ◆ stateless persons or non-Ukrainian third-country nationals, who were granted international or a national form of protection in Ukraine before 24 February 2022;
- ◆ family members of the two categories above.

Where can you register for temporary protection in Hungary?

Requests for temporary protection can be submitted every day between 8.00 and 16.00 at the National Directorate General for Aliens Policing customer service at 131 Harmat utca, 1108 Budapest.

Other locations

- ◆ Miskolc: 3526 Miskolc, Hatvanötösök útja 2
 - ◆ Monday-Tuesday: 7.30-16.00, Wednesday 7.30-18.00, Friday 7.30-14.00
 - ◆ <https://goo.gl/maps/fDd8StAtivHJkwWH7>
- ◆ Nyíregyháza: 4400 Nyíregyháza, Szent István út 9
 - ◆ Monday and Wednesday: 10.00-15.00
 - ◆ <https://goo.gl/maps/FRPR1XmJEZd1ZYHK8>
- ◆ Debrecen: 4033 Debrecen, Sámsoni út 145
 - ◆ Monday 7.30-13.00, Tuesday 7.30-16.00, Thursday 12.00-17.30, Friday 7.30-12.00
 - ◆ <https://goo.gl/maps/SYQ3rtQJF7W6Uqnd6>
- ◆ Eger: 3300 Eger, Grónay Sándor u. 3
 - ◆ Tuesday and Thursday 9.00-15.00
 - ◆ <https://goo.gl/maps/987KryJAsdirZ6Fg6>
- ◆ Balassagyarmat: 2660 Balassagyarmat, Kossuth u. 43
 - ◆ Monday 8.00-16.00, Wednesday 8.00-18.00
 - ◆ <https://goo.gl/maps/xmrNpg6Aqe2krPCr6>
- ◆ Szolnok: 5000 Szolnok, Baross u. 45-51
 - ◆ Tuesday and Thursday 10.00-15.00
 - ◆ <https://goo.gl/maps/VMnG5Y9iWyGsSGGM6>
- ◆ Kecskemét: 6600 Kecskemét, Irinyi u. 17/B
 - ◆ Monday 9.00-17.00, Thursday 9.00-16.00, Friday 9.00-12.00
 - ◆ <https://goo.gl/maps/6uV1mcZ4akWaT6ji9>



- ◆ Békéscsaba: 5600 Békéscsaba, Kétegyházi út 10
 - ◆ Tuesday/Wednesday 8.00-16.00, Thursday 7.30-17.00, Friday 8.00-11.00
 - ◆ <https://goo.gl/maps/teiUCGfcb1yXNYt7>
- ◆ Szeged: 6724 Szeged, Bakay Nándor u. 3/A
 - ◆ Monday-Wednesday 7.30-16.00, Thursday 7.30-17.00
 - ◆ <https://goo.gl/maps/ZYF87rs44rFtQHWf9>
- ◆ Pécs: 7623 Pécs, Csend u. 3.
 - ◆ Monday 8.00-18.00, Tuesday 8.00-16.00, Thursday 8.00-16.00, Friday 7.30-12.00
 - ◆ <https://goo.gl/maps/bVVrQGURS7vkmYb9>
- ◆ Szekszárd: 7100 Szekszárd, Szent István tér 23
 - ◆ Tuesday 12.00-16.30, Thursday 9.00-15.30
 - ◆ <https://goo.gl/maps/SPMD6k5zDtWh8Bc17>
- ◆ Kaposvár: 7400 Kaposvár, Széchenyi tér 3
 - ◆ Monday 9.30-16.30, Wednesday 9.30-15.30, Friday 9.30-12.00
 - ◆ <https://goo.gl/maps/sEYY8wFYF8GTo3Nw5>
- ◆ Veszprém: 8200 Veszprém, Levendula u. 1
 - ◆ Monday 8.00-16.30, Tuesday/Thursday 8.00-15.30
 - ◆ <https://goo.gl/maps/9KMv4PdwSoJQYrqv7>
- ◆ Székesfehérvár: 8000 Székesfehérvár, József Attila u. 38
 - ◆ Monday 7.30-17.00, Tuesday-Thursday 7.30-16.00, Friday 7.30-13.00
 - ◆ <https://goo.gl/maps/KcHAnNwDj5XEsBQP9>
- ◆ Tatabánya: 2800 Tatabánya, V, Győri út 13.
 - ◆ Monday 8.00-16.30, Tuesday/Thursday 8.00-15.30
 - ◆ <https://goo.gl/maps/RuxmkB7PSwrAucrY8>
- ◆ Győr: 9026 Győr, Szövetség u. 17
 - ◆ Monday and Wednesday 7.30-12.00 then 12.30-16.00, Tuesday 7.30-12.00, Thursday 7.00-12.00 then 12.30-17.00
 - ◆ <https://goo.gl/maps/6BL9iDqwf8T1EaV67>
- ◆ Szombathely: 9700 Szombathely, Kisfaludy S. u. 1
 - ◆ Monday 9.00-16.00
 - ◆ <https://goo.gl/maps/tvYzxvwZv4qKgAPG7>
- ◆ Zalaegerszeg: 8900 Zalaegerszeg, Mártírok útja 42-44
 - ◆ Tuesday 9.00-15.00, Thursday 9.00-14.00
 - ◆ <https://goo.gl/maps/EK2NJKXCPrw7QDho8>

Applications for recognition as beneficiary of temporary protection can also be submitted at one of the government client service offices. More information is available here: http://oif.gov.hu/index.php?option=com_k2&view=item&id=1828:information&Itemid=2185&lang=en



The application form is available online:

- ◆ in Ukrainian and Hungarian here: http://www.bmbah.hu/images/Mened%C3%A9kes_k%C3%A9relem_ukr%C3%A1n.docx
- ◆ in English and Hungarian here: http://www.bmbah.hu/images/Mened%C3%A9kes_k%C3%A9relem_angol.docx

Persons wishing to apply for temporary protection must first provide their data through an electronic data recording platform (a dedicated application or the Enter Hungary Platform: <http://oif.gov.hu>). After this, you are required to appear in person before the asylum authority to formally apply for temporary protection.

More details are available here: <http://ukran2022.oif.gov.hu/ua/>

Persons with temporary protection receive a Hungarian ID mentioning their status.



More information about these rights



Accommodation

Reception is organised outside of the traditional reception system for applicants for international protection by the Hungarian Charity Council.



Initial reception

Initial reception is ensured in the humanitarian transit point - the BOK sports and events centre in Budapest - which is run in cooperation with charity organisations. The facility offers shelter, food, medical care, a supervised play area, special care for babies and information is provided on follow-up accommodation and travel.

Any persons in need of accommodation, food, medicine or any other type of aid can contact any of the following aid organisations:

- ◆ Hungarian Reformed Church Aid: <https://jobbadni.hu/en/>
- ◆ Magyar Máltai Szeretetszolgálat: <https://www.maltai.hu/>
- ◆ Hungarian Interchurch Aid: <https://segelyszervezet.hu/en/>
- ◆ Hungarian Red Cross: <https://voroskereszt.hu/>



Long-term accommodation

Persons requesting temporary protection and persons with temporary protection are entitled to accommodation in a state reception facility. Usually, accommodation is available in shelters or through accommodation in private homes. Beneficiary of temporary protection may also receive means to obtain housing. For this, it is necessary to visit the district office (járási hivatal/kerületi hivatal) every month in person.



Access to labour market

Ukrainian nationals holding a biometric travel document may work in certain positions without a work permit immediately after their entry to Hungary. If they have a work permit, they may work in a broader list of positions for a period not exceeding 90 days after their entry in Hungary.

Applicants for temporary protection may work in certain positions without a work permit and in a broader list of positions if they have a work permit.



An applicant may also undertake community work during the procedural period which takes a maximum of 15 + 45 days.

A person recognised as beneficiary of temporary protection may work in certain positions without a work permit. For employment in another type of position, the employment service issues the permit under a preferential procedure.

More information is available here: http://ukran2022.oif.gov.hu/en/Care_and_benefits_provided_for_persons_applying_for_recognition_as_beneficiary_of_temporary_protections

Social welfare

Beneficiary of temporary protection are entitled to receive material reception conditions. A person working in Hungary or receiving income from the Hungarian or a non-Hungarian pension scheme is not entitled to the benefit.

Adults and minors over 16 years of age (if they are not attending a full-time education programme) are required to appear before the employment service within 5 working days of receiving the cash benefit. After 45 days from the date of receipt of the first amount of the benefit, the person is not entitled to the cash benefit, if they do not accept an offered job within community service (see the rules on employment hereunder).

Public health

Beneficiaries of temporary protection have access to essential medical care free of charge. Certain medication and medical care for cancer patients and patients suffering from other chronic diseases is also available. The same rules apply for persons applying for temporary protection.

Persons from both groups can go to the competent health care institution with territorial responsibility.

General Practitioners / doctors

Each district/town/village has its own general practitioner (doctor). To find your local doctor, consult this website (in Hungarian): http://www.neak.gov.hu/felso_menu/lakossagnak/szerzodott_szolgaltatok/haziorvosi_szolgalatok.html



Specialist care

If you have a referral from a general practitioner, please talk to them directly about recommendations regarding which specialist to see, and you can also find information about the available specialist care (in Hungarian) here: http://www.neak.gov.hu/felso_menu/lakossagnak/ellatas_magyarorszagon/egeszsegugyi_ellatasok/jarobeteg_ellatas/jarobeteg_ellatas.html#Milyen%20ell%C3%A1t%C3%A1sokat%20vehetek%20ig%C3%A9nybe%20beutal%C3%B3n%C3%A9lk%C3%BCI



Information about the national healthcare service in Hungary is available in English here: http://www.neak.gov.hu/felso_menu/rolunk/kozerdeku_adatok/tevekenysegre_mukodesre_vonatkozo_adatok/a_szerv_feladata_alaptevekenysege_es_hatarkore/en_a_szerv_alaptevekenysege_feladata_es_hatarkore

Hospital care

An overview of the hospitals in Budapest according to their district and location is available here (in Hungarian): http://vitamin-bolt.hu/vitamin_korhazak/korhazak_Budapest.php

Refugees fleeing from Ukraine have the right to hospital care in every hospital in Hungary.

Psychological assistance



If you are in need of psychological assistance, contact:

- ◆ Cordelia Foundation, cordelia@cordelia.hu, phone: +36 13491450
- ◆ Next Step Hungary Association: <https://nextstepeu.org/contact/>

Pets

A registration form needs to be filled in on entry to Hungary for pets that are without a microchip, unvaccinated against rabies, or have not had a recent rabies antibody titration test. Dogs, cats and ferrets entered will be under the official control of the regional veterinary authority.



Registration form: https://portal.nebih.gov.hu/documents/10182/51531346/Regisztracio+-+Ukrajna+-+Hun_Ukr.docx/bc62de2d-3a0d-592c-4afc-50fed42a2066?t=1645775725087

More information is available here: <https://portal.nebih.gov.hu/-/magyarorszag-biztositja-hogy-az-ukrajnabol-menekulok-magukkal-hozhassak-tarsallataikat?fbclid=IwAR1YgQKDIRELNK38g0CrzOoCQx5MDEFJQelmlCU8QsaQwuUyXgQjHOKmO0U>



Access to education

Children applying for temporary protection are entitled to attend kindergarten, school and education under the same conditions as Hungarian citizens, and are also subject to compulsory schooling. They do not have to pay the costs of schooling and education.

To help children learn Hungarian and integrate, schools will offer extra classes in the afternoons.

Secondary school students will have an opportunity to take their final exams in Hungary.

Children can enrol at the competent educational establishment (i.e. pre-school, primary school or secondary school) with the territory responsible.

Schools provide Hungarian language classes. Further support can be provided by the following organisations:

- ◆ Next Step: <https://nextstepeu.org/contact/>
- ◆ Artemisszió Foundation: info@artemisszio.hu (English/Hungarian).
- ◆ Kalunba Association: kalunbameeting@gmail.com (English/Hungarian).

Nursery school

Children displaced from Ukraine can also be enrolled in day-care and pre-school education for free.



4. International protection

You can also apply for asylum (international protection) at any time. Information about asylum procedure in Hungary is available here: http://www.bmbah.hu/index.php?option=com_k2&view=item&id=1579:in-accordance-with-government-decree-233-2020-may-26-on-diverging-measures-relating-to-the-conditions-for-lodging-an-application-for-asylum&lang=en



Other useful websites

- ◆ UNHCR: <https://help.unhcr.org/hungary/uk/%d1%82%d0%b8%d0%bc%d1%87%d0%b0%d1%81%d0%be%d0%b2%d0%b8%d0%b9-%d0%b7%d0%b0%d1%85%d0%b8%d1%81%d1%82/>
- ◆ UNHCR: <https://help.unhcr.org/hungary/uk/ukraine-arrivals/>
- ◆ Hungarian Helsinki Committee: Frequently asked questions with answers (EN) https://helsinki.hu/en/wp-content/uploads/sites/2/2022/03/FAQ_EN_new.pdf



Annex I . Repository of sources

General information		
Service	Website	QR
Embassy of Ukraine, Budapest	https://hungary.mfa.gov.ua/ Available in Ukrainian	
Entry requirements		
Official information on entry	http://www.bmbah.hu/index.php?option=com_k2&view=item&id=1735:national-directorate-general-for-aliens-policing-information-for-people-fleeing-ukraine&Itemid=2108&lang=en Available in English	
COVID-19 information	https://koronavirus.gov.hu/ Available in Hungarian and English	



Driving	https://helpers.hu/residence-permit/localizing-and-renewing-your-drivers-license-in-hungary/ Available in English	
Temporary protection		
Information on temporary protection provided by UNHCR	https://help.unhcr.org/hungary/uk/%d1%82%d0%b8%d0%bc%d1%87%d0%b0%d1%81%d0%be%d0%b2%d0%b8%d0%b9-%d0%b7%d0%b0%d1%85%d0%b8%d1%81%d1%82/ Available in Ukrainian and English	
Information on arrival to Hungary provided by UNHCR	https://help.unhcr.org/hungary/uk/ukraine-arrivals/ Available in Ukrainian and English	
Hungarian Helsinki Committee: Frequently asked questions	https://helsinki.hu/en/wp-content/uploads/sites/2/2022/03/FAQ_EN_new.pdf Available in English	



Registration		
Official information for persons fleeing from Ukraine	http://oif.gov.hu/index.php?option=com_k2&view=item&id=1828:information&Itemid=2185&lang=en Available in English	
Official information for persons fleeing from Ukraine	http://ukran2022.oif.gov.hu/en/Information	
Official information on applying for a residence permit electronically	https://enterhungary.gov.hu/en/?uk Available in English	
Government client service offices	https://kormanyablak.hu/hu/kormanyablakok Available in Hungarian	



<p>Application form for temporary protection</p>	<p>https://view.officeapps.live.com/op/view.aspx?src=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.bmbah.hu%2Fimages%2FMened%25C3%25A9kes_k%25C3%25A9relem_ukr%25C3%25A1n.docx&wdOrigin=BROWSELINK</p> <p>Available in Ukrainian and Hungarian</p>	
<p>Application form for temporary protection</p>	<p>https://view.officeapps.live.com/op/view.aspx?src=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.bmbah.hu%2Fimages%2FMened%25C3%25A9kes_k%25C3%25A9relem_angol.docx&wdOrigin=BROWSELINK</p> <p>Available in Ukrainian and English</p>	
Accommodation, food, medicine, and other aid		
<p>Organisation providing accommodation, food, medicine, and other aid: Hungarian Reformed Church Aid</p>	<p>https://jobbadni.hu/en/</p> <p>Available in Hungarian and English</p>	
<p>Organisation providing accommodation, food, medicine, and other aid: Magyar Máltai Szeretetszolgálat</p>	<p>https://www.maltai.hu/</p> <p>Available in Hungarian</p>	



<p>Organisation providing accommodation, food, medicine, and other aid: Hungarian Interchurch Aid</p>	<p>https://segelyszervezet.hu/en/</p> <p>Available in Hungarian and English</p>	
<p>Organisation providing accommodation, food, medicine, and other aid: Hungarian Red Cross</p>	<p>https://voroskereszt.hu/</p> <p>Available in Hungarian and English</p>	
Care, benefits, and access to the labour market		
<p>Information provided by the authorities</p>	<p>http://ukran2022.oif.gov.hu/en/Care_and_benefits_provided_for_persons_applying_for_recognition_as_beneficiary_of_temporary_protections</p> <p>Available in Ukrainian, Hungarian and English</p>	
Public health		
<p>Psychosocial support</p>	<p>https://nextstepeu.org/contact/</p> <p>Available in English</p>	



Information about pets and registration form	https://portal.nebih.gov.hu/-/magyarorszag-biztositja-hogy-az-ukrajnabol-menekulok-magukkal-hozhassak-tarsallataikat?fbclid=IwAR1YgQKDIRELNK38g0CrzOoCQx5MDEFJQeImICU8QsaQwuUyXgQiHOKm00U Available in Hungarian	
Registration form	https://portal.nebih.gov.hu/documents/10182/51531346/Regisztracio+-+Ukrajna+-+Hun_Ukr.docx/bc62de2d-3a0d-592c-4afc-50fed42a2066?t=1645775725087 Available in English and Hungarian	
International protection		
Official information about applying for international protections	http://www.bmbah.hu/index.php?option=com_k2&view=item&id=1579:in-accordance-with-government-decree-233-2020-may-26-on-diverging-measures-relating-to-the-conditions-for-lodging-an-application-for-asylum&lang=en Available in English and Hungarian	
Temporary protection		
More information about temporary protection in specific countries	https://whoiswho.euaa.europa.eu/Pages/Temporary-protection.aspx Available in English	



