




New Law on International Protection

Information on some of the main changes to the asylum procedure after
1 October 2025




Before 1 October

Current Procedure




If you apply for asylum, you are immediately considered as an asylum-seeker

-  Right to work
-  Right to education
-  Access to universal healthcare system

 If rejected

-  30 days to appeal in court
-  Free legal aid (lawyer provided)
-  You cannot be returned to your country while the court reviews your case

 If rejected by first court




-  15 days to appeal
-  Free lawyer still provided
-  You cannot be returned to your country while the court reviews your case

After 1 October




New Procedure

If you apply for asylum, you are **NOT** immediately considered as an asylum-seeker


 Must wait 10–15 days for admissibility decision - No rights during this time





-  No right to work
-  No universal healthcare
-  No right to education

 If rejected at admissibility stage

-  Only 7 days to appeal in court
-  No free legal aid (no lawyer provided)
-  You can still be returned to your country before the court decision

 If you pass the admissibility stage, you might be placed in accelerated or regular procedures

 Accelerated Procedure – **applies if you have been in Georgia more than 30 days**

-  Decision within 30 days
-  Only 10 days to appeal in court
-  No free legal aid (no lawyer provided)
-  You can still be returned to your country before court decision

 Regular Procedure is same as the current procedure described on the left

For additional information on other , you can contact:

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