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Temporary protection for
Ukrainians fleeing the war



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Persons eligible for protection

Persons who lived in Ukraine before 24.02.2022:

- Ukrainian nationals and their family members (a spouse, a registered partner, an unmarried minor child and relative who lives in the family as a dependant)
- Nationals of third countries, stateless persons and their family members who benefited from any form of international protection in Ukraine before 24.02.2022
- foreigners who stayed based on the permanent residence permit, and cannot return to their country of origin due to the life threat

Decision-making authority

- Ministry of the Interior (in the respective regional centres)

Documents to be furnished

- 1) an application,
- 2) a valid biometric foreign travel passport;
- 3) confirmation of residing in Ukraine before 24.02.2022;
- 4) document on the accommodation unless it is provided by the anti-crisis committee;
- 5) a photograph (45 by 35 mm).

Duration of the status

- one year, i.e. until 4 March 2023

Actions ensuring return to the country of origin

- The temporary protection must be cancelled. One of the following authorities must be contacted:
 - 1) Regional Assistance Centre for Ukraine if there is a biometric passport; 2) MV OAMP office if there is no biometric passport; 3) Embassy of the Czech Republic in Kyiv; 4) Consulate General of the Czech Republic in Lviv.

Free legal assistance and support of the displaced persons

- Contacts of lawyers providing free services: <https://www.cak.cz/scripts/detail.php?id=25507>
- Free legal assistance is provided by UA.SUPPORT: <https://www.ua.support/>
- Information on legal matters: <https://www.helpukraine.cz/>

Getting relevant information

- Website of the Ministry of the Interior <https://www.mvcr.cz/-clanek/ua> (Ukrainian)
- Website of the Employment Agency <https://www.uradprace.cz/web/cz/po-moc-pro-obcany-ukrajiny-a-jejich-za-mestnavatele/>
- <https://www.mzcr.cz/zakladni-informace-pro-obcany-ukrajiny-v-oblasti-po-skytovani-zdravotnich-sluzeb-uk/>
- Website of the Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs <https://www.mpsv.cz/>
- Website of the Ministry of Health <https://www.mzcr.cz/zakladni-informace-pro-obcany-ukrajiny-v-oblasti-po-skytovani-zdravotnich-sluzeb-uk/>
- Website of the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports <https://www.msmt.cz/mezinarodni-vztahy/pomoc-ukrajine>
- Hotline for refugees — HELP LINE +420 770 600 800 (in Ukrainian)

Assistance in administrative services

- The websites (see the clause above) contain information on the services provided by public institutions.
- It is provided by the public authorities and Foreigner Integration Support Centres.

Accommodation

Access to housing

Information on free accommodation on the website: <https://www.brno.cz/brno-aktualne/co-se-deje-v-brne/a/valka-na-ukrajine-ubytovani-uprchliku-moznosti-pomoci-kontaktky-a-informace/>

Regional Assistance Centres for Ukraine (KACPU) help with accommodation. Addresses of KACPU in each region: <https://www.nasiukrajinci.cz/en/centrum-pomoci/>

Compensation for utility expenses

The persons enjoying temporary protection get a housing benefit to cover rental costs, housing and electric power services. Conditions for payment: having accommodation. Information (in English): <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mbqhCpJeXE8>

An application is filed here: <http://www.mpsv.cz/web/cz/-/zadost-o-doplatek-na-bydleni>

The assistance for the persons who welcome those enjoying temporary protection for free (including payment of gas and electric power bills) for at least 16 days is provided by the Employment Agency of the Czech Republic. An application is filed for a subsequent month via the application of the Employment Agency of the Czech Republic.

Time frames for exercising the residence right

During the term of the temporary protection status.

SOCIAL RIGHTS OF THE DISPLACED PERSONS



Employment

Work permit

Right of free access to the labour market as well as the job seeker register. No special work permit is necessary.

Working as a doctor, a dentist, a pharmacist requires prior approval of the Application for permission for the special practice. Information on the website:

<https://www.mzcr.cz/informace-o-uznavani-nelekarskych-zdravotnickych-pracovniku-pro-zamestnavatele-a-cizince-ukrajina-uk/>

Income tax assessment

The persons enjoying temporary protection are residents.

Their income is subject to tax assessment in the state where the work is performed.

Term of the employment permit

During the term of the temporary protection status.





Medical aid

Persons who can be provided medical services

■ The persons enjoying temporary protection are insured for free.

Types of medical services provided

■ Information on the services on the website of the Ministry of Health: <https://www.mzcr.cz/zakladni-informace-pro-obcany-ukrajiny-v-oblasti-poskytovani-zdravotnich-sluzeb-uk/>

■ Information for the non-insured on the website: <https://lekariproukrajinu.cz/uk/>

■ Provided at the chain of UA POINT: emergency aid, gynaecological and birth attendance services. Translation services. List of UA points in Czechia: <https://www.mzcr.cz/uapoint>

■ Information: <https://ukrinfo-store/cz/med.html>

Conditions for medical aid

■ Free medical aid within the state medical insurance (150 days from the date of granting the temporary protection) in full and in the chain of UA POINT.

■ A medical insurance document (a duplicate certificate of the insured) is issued at the Regional Assistance Centre of Ukraine during a visit to the client office VZP, or an application can be submitted online.

Provision of medicines

■ Purchase of medicines and services of the injury care centre might require additional payment from the person.

■ Information on rehabilitation facilities: <https://www.pomahejukrajine.cz/ua/nabidky/ac006d1d-134c-4052-9d78-f9298f67391c>

Social support

Social assistance

■ Assistance for basic living needs. It is not provided if free accommodation has been granted.

■ The amount changes subject to the period of residence and the number of family members.

■ The persons over 65 who are not eligible for retirement benefits are paid the assistance of CZK 5,000.

■ Information: <https://www.urad-prace.cz/web/cz/-/pomoc-pro-obcany-ukrajiny-a-jejich-zamestnavatele>

Social benefits

■ Exemption from the free for the application for recognising the foreign higher education and qualification (nostrification procedure) until 31.03.2023. The application is accompanied by the confirmation of temporary protection (a simple copy signed by the applicant, with the date of receipt thereof).

Psychological support of persons affected by the war

■ The information can be found at the websites of the Ministry of the Interior: <https://www.mvcr.cz/clanek/ua>

■ Psychological assistance guide: <https://www.mvcr.cz/clanek/psychologicka-pomoc-pro-obcany-valka-na-ukrajine.aspx>

■ Hotline of the Ministry of Health: <https://www.mzcr.cz/zakladni-informace-pro-obcany-ukrajiny-v-oblasti-poskytovani-zdravotnich-sluzeb-uk/>

Education

Access to the school education system

Children aged 6 to 15 who reside for more than 90 days have to go to school for free.

Access to the pre-school and out-of-school educational system

The same rights as the nationals of Czechia.

Pre-school education for the children aged 3 to 6; it is mandatory one year before admission to school.

Conditions for continued studies in higher educational establishments that were started in the country the person has left

Scholarships from the Czech universities. Offers on the website of the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports: <https://www.msmt.cz/mezinarodni-vztahy/pomoc-ukrajine>.

Information on universities:



<https://www.studyin.cz/ukraine-scholarships/>

Opportunity of institutional accreditation for the persons who have submitted an application for assessment of their prior education to the higher educational establishment as a condition to confirm that the requirements for admission to this establishment are met. If the application is approved, no nostrification of records is necessary.

Practical guide for foreign students in Europe:
<https://education.ec.europa.eu/news/a-practical-guide-to-student-accommodation-in-europe>

Children's rights

Representation of the unaccompanied minors enjoying protection

An unaccompanied child is registered by the authority responsible for social and legal protection of children; which takes a decision on the child's further accommodation with account of his or her needs and abilities. Such children are enrolled to the children's facilities based on a court judgement.



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