

USEFUL CONTACTS

#17 Police
#119 Child protection

If you need information,
don't hesitate to ask the social workers,
educators or associations accompanying you.

If you want to find your family members,
the **French Red Cross** can help you
with their **Family Links Restoration Service**,
which assists in finding
and reuniting separated families.

+33 (0)1 44 43 12 60 or recherches@croix-rouge.fr

**You can contact them
to get help!**



YOU ARE UNDER 18

**AND YOU HAVE FLED
YOUR COUNTRY OF ORIGIN.**

YOU ARE ALONE IN FRANCE

AND YOU DON'T KNOW WHO TO CONTACT?

Unaccompanied minors

STEP #1

AGE ASSESSMENT AND ACCOMMODATION



You can go to the **Aide Sociale à l'Enfance (ASE)** or call **number 119** to ask for help



You can also call **the police at NUMBER 17**, they are there to protect you: tell them that **you are under 18** and that **you need help**.



You have **the right to be sheltered** as soon as you arrive in France. You will have an interview to assess your situation and your age. Once your situation has been assessed and **you are recognized as a minor**, you will be placed in a children's centre adapted to your needs.



STEP #2

ASYLUM APPLICATION



If you have fled danger in your country of origin, you can **apply for asylum in France**. Talk to **social workers, educators or associations** that help children.



The asylum application must be made **at the Prefecture**. A person called a "legal representative" or "ad hoc administrator" will be there to represent and accompany you during your asylum application. **An interpreter can help you**.



If a **member of your family** (father, mother, brother, sister, uncle, aunt, grandfather or grandmother) is **legally in another EU country**, you will be able to join him or her if you wish and if he or she agrees. Talk about it when you **apply for asylum at the prefecture**.



REVIEW OF THE APPLICATION

STEP #3



Your application will be examined by the **French Office for the Protection of Refugees and Stateless Persons (OFPRA)** and you will be interviewed by a person called "**protection officer**".

During the interview, you will have to talk about your journey. You will be accompanied by your legal representative. You can also **ask to be accompanied** by a member of an association or by a health professional by making the request to OFPRA



If OFPRA rejects your asylum application, you can appeal **to the Cour Nationale du Droit d'Asile (CNDA)** which will review it again. Your legal representative and associations can help you do this.



RESIDENCE PERMIT AND FAMILY REUNIFICATION

STEP #4



If you are granted asylum in France and you are over 16 years old, a residence permit will be issued to you when you apply for it at the prefecture. **Your parents and your brothers and sisters under 18 years old can also join you in France**. Apply for it as soon as possible.

