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Can a foreigner who is a victim of slavery or pimping be regularized?

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Yes, if you are or have been a victim or witness of human trafficking or procuring, you can obtain a temporary residence permit *private and family life* under certain conditions. This card is issued on an exceptional basis. You must cooperate with the police (or the gendarmerie) and the judiciary. At the end of the criminal proceedings, if the perpetrator(s) are convicted, a residence card valid for 10 years may be issued.

Who is involved?

You are affected if you meet all of the following conditions:

- You are a foreigner
- You **complain** (<https://www.service-public.fr/particuliers/vosdroits/F1435?lang=en>) or **testify in criminal proceedings** (<https://www.service-public.fr/particuliers/vosdroits/F1489?lang=en>) against a person or persons prosecuted for procuring or trafficking in human beings (sexual or domestic slavery, forced removal of organs, etc.)
- You should no longer be in contact with the perpetrator(s) being prosecuted
- You must not pose a threat to public order

If you have been convicted as a minor, you can obtain a residence permit at the age of 18.

⚠ Warning : this procedure does not apply to an alien who is a national of European country, or members of his family living in France with him.

Title request

You can request a temporary residence card *private and family life*. You **allows**. You can be accompanied in your steps by the specialized association(s) that follow you.

Police or gendarmerie investigators must hear from you **front** your application for admission to stay.

They offer you a 30-day cooling-off period to agree or not to cooperate with the law and to benefit from a residence permit. If you choose this reflection period, a 30-day receipt **authorizing** is delivered to you. You must provide a photo ID.

During this time, you cannot be expelled from France.

You may also opt not to take this cooling-off period and decide to work immediately with the law.

You can also benefit from the following:

- Legal aid **legal aid** (<https://www.service-public.fr/particuliers/vosdroits/F18074?lang=en>), **compensation before the Commission for Compensation of Victims of Crime - Civi** (<https://www.service-public.fr/particuliers/vosdroits/F2313?lang=en>)
- Social support and reception in accommodation center
- **State medical aid (MEA)** (<https://www.service-public.fr/particuliers/vosdroits/F3079?lang=en>) or **universal health protection (Puma)** (<https://www.service-public.fr/particuliers/vosdroits/F34308?lang=en>)
- **Allowance for asylum seekers (Ada)** (<https://www.service-public.fr/particuliers/vosdroits/F33314?lang=en>)
- If needed, police protection and secure housing.

Filing of application

You must submit your card application to the prefecture or sub-prefecture of your home. Find out more on the website of your prefecture. You receive a confidential welcome.

General case

Who shall I contact

Specify your city or postcode The choice of a municipality in the suggestion list will automatically trigger an update of the content

- **Prefecture** [↗ \(http://www.interieur.gouv.fr/Le-ministere/Prefectures\)](http://www.interieur.gouv.fr/Le-ministere/Prefectures)

- [Sub-prefecture](http://www.interieur.gouv.fr/Le-ministere/Prefectures)  (<http://www.interieur.gouv.fr/Le-ministere/Prefectures>)

⚠ Warning : some sub-prefectures cannot do the paperwork. Find out more on the website of your prefecture.

In Paris

Who shall I contact

- [Prefecture de Police de Paris - Residence permit service](https://www.prefecturedepolice.interieur.gouv.fr/Demarches/Particulier/Ressortissants-etranagers/Ressortissants-etranagers/Titres-de-sejour-Nous-contacter) 
(<https://www.prefecturedepolice.interieur.gouv.fr/Demarches/Particulier/Ressortissants-etranagers/Ressortissants-etranagers/Titres-de-sejour-Nous-contacter>)

Parts to supply

- Any document that contains information about your civil status (passport, identity card, etc.)
- [Proof of domicile](https://www.service-public.fr/particuliers/vosdroits/F33052?lang=en) (<https://www.service-public.fr/particuliers/vosdroits/F33052?lang=en>) less than 3 months old
- [1 photos](https://www.service-public.fr/particuliers/vosdroits/F10619?lang=en) (<https://www.service-public.fr/particuliers/vosdroits/F10619?lang=en>)
- Receipt of the complaint or references to the legal proceedings initiated (with your testimony)

Cost

Free

Card Delivery

The card is given to you by the prefecture or sub-prefecture where you applied.

Duration

This card is valid for 1 year and is renewable.

Title renewal

Temporary residence card *private and family life* shall be renewable throughout the criminal proceedings (including appeals).

In the event of a final conviction of the accused, you may apply for [resident card](https://www.service-public.fr/particuliers/vosdroits/F2208?lang=en) (<https://www.service-public.fr/particuliers/vosdroits/F2208?lang=en>).

Statute and miscellaneous references

- Code on the entry and residence of aliens and the right to asylum: Articles L316-1 to L316-4 
(<https://www.legifrance.gouv.fr/codes/id/LEGISCTA000022469807/>)
Stay of victims of trafficking and pimping
- Code on the entry and residence of aliens and the right to asylum: Articles R316-1 to R316-5-1 
(<https://www.legifrance.gouv.fr/codes/id/LEGISCTA000006163269/>)
Admission to residence of foreigners who have been victims of trafficking and pimping
- Code on the entry and residence of aliens and the right to asylum: Articles R316-6 to R316-10 
(<https://www.legifrance.gouv.fr/codes/id/LEGISCTA000006163270/>)
Protection, reception and accommodation of foreigners who are victims of trafficking and pimping
- Code on the entry and residence of aliens and the right to asylum: Articles L311-13 to L311-18 
(<https://www.legifrance.gouv.fr/codes/id/LEGISCTA000020040148/>)
Exemption from taxes and stamp duty: Article L311-18
- Circular of 19 May 2015 on the conditions for admission to residence of foreigners who have been victims of trafficking in human beings or pimping (PDF - 1.0 MB)  (<https://www.legifrance.gouv.fr/download/pdf/circ?id=39619>)

For more information, please contact

- Site of the Reception and Protection Facility for Victims of Trafficking (AC.SÉ)  (<http://www.acse-alc.org/fr>)
AC.S. National Device