CONTACT INFORMATION



NGO Innovations and Reforms Center (IRC) (if you are a stateless person)

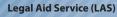
This is the partner of UNHCR providing free legal assistance to stateless persons in Georgia.

2 Davit Gamrekeli Street (Axis Palace building),4th floor, 0160, Tbilisi, Georgia

(+995 32) 255 20 01/02 (+995) 577 614 191; (+995) 577 614 199

■ info@irc.ge

www.irc.ge



LAS is the main legal aid provider in Georgia. You may refer to LAS for free legal consultation irrespective of your status in Georgia.

♀ 14 Tamar Mepe Ave., 0112, Tbilisi, Georgia

(+995 32) 292 00 55

info@legalaid.ge

Public Service Development Agency (PSDA)

This is the main State authority, under the Ministry of Justice, responsible for issuing certificates and documents regarding your status in Georgia, including consideration of citizenship application.

2 Sanapiro Street, 0105, Tbilisi, Georgia

(+995 32) 240 54 05

(24) Hotline: (+995 32) 240 10 10

info@sda.gov.ge; info@psh.gov.ge

www.psh.gov.ge

Public Defender of Georgia (PDO) – Ombudsmen

This is a Constitutional Body overseeing observance of human rights and freedoms in Georgia. You may address PDO if you consider you rights in Georgia are not fully respected.

Hotline: 1481 (functions 24/7)

info@ombudsmen.ge





World Vision Georgia

This is the partner of UNHCR working on community mobilization activities and social assistance for asylum-seekers, refugees and stateless persons in Georgia.

♀ 53 A. Tsagareli Street, 0194, Tbilisi, Georgia

(+995) 577 045 645





The United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) Regional Representation in Georgia

This is the main international organization in Georgia working closely with the Georgian authorities on asylum and statelessness issues. You may refer to UNHCR for legal advice and assistance.

2a Kazbegi Ave., 0161, Tbilisi, Georgia

(+995 32) 238 62 02; (+995) 577 415 610

Reception hours: Tuesday and Thursday from 9:30 to 17:00

Information Leaflet for Stateless Persons





Who is a Stateless Person?

Stateless person is a person who is not considered as a national by any State under the operation of its law.

Who is a Stateless Applicant?

Stateless applicant – is an individual whose citizenship status/belonging is unknown and who has submitted application for the status determination to the responsible state agency - Public Service Development Agency.

What kind of identification document is issued to **Stateless Person or Stateless Status Seeker?**

Recognized stateless person in Georgia possess the temporary or permanent resident card depending on the residence period in Georgia.

During the status determination procedure Public Service Development Agency provides the applicant with the temporary identity card valid for one year. The document automatically becomes invalid after the decision on the status is rendered and the applicant is granted/rejected stateless status. In case if the applicant is recognized as stateless, temporary residence card is issued that is valid for three years. Accordingly, the document is subject to renewal in every three years.

Please remember you will not be able to have access to any rights and services without identification document.



THE RIGHTS AND ENTITLEMENTS GRANTED TO A STATELESS PERSON

Rights related with the civil status

According to the Georgian legislation, you as a stateless person have:

- right to register a change of the first and/or last name (if your birth is registered in Georgia)
- right to establish paternity
- right to adopt a child



Right to education for stateless persons in Georgia

Preschool education

If you have a child (age 2-5) – he/she has a right to attend kindergarten and receive preschool education. For this a child must have the personal number.

General education

If you are/have a child (age 6-18) – you have/child has a right to attend school and benefit from a State voucher.



Higher education

If you are an adult (no age limitation) - you have a right to study at the institute or university. Bachelor's, master's and doctoral programs are accessible to stateless person, however stateless persons have no access to funding for higher education.



Vocational education

If you are an adult (no age limitation) - you have a right to get vocational education. Vocational education is accessible to a stateless person, however stateless persons have no access to funding for vocational education.

Stateless person has the right to:

- Benefit from the State healthcare program to the same extent as to Georgian citizens. To register for the programme, a person should approach any medical clinic (primary healthcare provider facility) with a valid identification document issued by the Georgian authorities. For more information about the available services, please call the Hotline: 1505 or check the following website: www.moh.gov.ge
- be eligible for pension benefits (female from the age of 60; male - from the age of 65);
- get monetary social benefits (subsistence allowances);
- enjoy the right to be enrolled in a boarding house for elderly (female – from the age of 60; male – from the age of 65);
- enjoy the right to enroll in a boarding house for persons with disabilities (provided that your status of a person with disability has been officially established).



Property Right

Stateless person has the right to buy a house/an apartment and register the ownership right thereto!

For detailed information on the rights/benefits and public/private services available for the stateless persons holding permanent/temporary status, as well as stateless persons seeking status in Georgia, follow the link; http://unservicemap.srvlabs.net/ka-GE

