

Are you under 18 years old? Are you in Italy alone?

You have the right to:

- not be expelled from Italy;
- not be transferred to a centre for adult migrants;
- live with an eligible family member who lives in Italy and is willing and able to take care of you;
- live in a home/centre for minors where you will have access to food, a bed, you can go to school, and receive medical care (if you need to);
- be helped to get a permit to stay in Italy;
- express your opinion and to be informed about your rights in your own language;
- have a Guardian - an adult chosen by a judge - who will represent you legally.

How can you prove you are under 18 years old?

You should trust Italian Authorities and show them any identification document you have.

To be noted: using false documents it is a crime in Italy. If you do not have any document with you, but you have the possibility to ask someone in your country to send it, please tell us, we can help you to receive it.

If you do not have any document, even in your country, a group of professionals (Committee) will conduct an age assessment to prove you are under 18 years old.

If the Committee declares you are more than 18 you may receive an order to leave Italy or you could be sent to a centre for adult migrants.

Once you are there, tell the staff what happened to you, if you are under 18 years old ask their help to prove your real age.

What if the police takes your fingerprints?

Italian and European Laws say everyone arriving in their territory must be identified through fingerprints. It is a normal procedure; do not be worried about that.

What will happen when you turn 18?

You can stay in Italy if you achieve the necessary requirements according to the law, such as learning the Italian language and the respect of the law.



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What should you do if you are in danger of or are exploited by someone?

If you have been tricked into coming to Italy or you have been brought here against your will, if you have been threatened, if someone takes control over you or makes you do things against your will, you do not have to be afraid: you can be helped and protected.

You can be turned away from your exploiters and you can be admitted in a protected centre for minors

DO YOU NEED HELP?

Contact us! 

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Do you have a family member in Italy or in another European Country?

You can join your relative(s) living in Italy or Europe through a legal procedure.

Tell us about them and provide us his/her/their contacts.

It is important to ensure they are real relatives to you and they are willing and able to take care of you.

If all these conditions are satisfied, you can obtain the documents to join your relative free of charge. The process may take some time, but you will be able to join them safely eventually.

Even if you have already applied for International Protection in Italy, you still have the right to join your relatives in another country.

When you can ask for International Protection? What does it mean?

If you left your country because of a war, or because you have been persecuted for racial, religious or nationality problems, because you were part of a particular social group or because of your political opinions, or if you have a reasonable and sound fear of facing danger in case you go back to your country, you have the right to apply international protection.

You can ask for protection at your arrival in Italy or you can apply when you are in the centre for minors. You can ask to be assisted, in your own language, to tell your story and to explain the reasons why you left your country. A group of professionals (Territorial Commission) will listen to and evaluate your story.

You may receive a permit to stay in Italy according to your situation.

