

ASYLUM

Waiting times for asylum investigations

A large number of people have come to Sweden to seek asylum recently. This means that waiting times for asylum investigations have grown longer nationwide.

Once you have registered as an asylum seeker at an application unit, you will be asked to attend an asylum investigation. At the asylum investigation, you will have the opportunity to explain why you have sought asylum and what has happened to you. Since so many people are seeking asylum, it will take a long time before you are asked to attend an asylum investigation. The Swedish Migration Agency will not make any decision before you have attended an asylum investigation.

To reducing waiting times, the Swedish Migration Agency is employing more case officers and is also opening new units. In order to make effective use of all investigation times, the allocation of times may not be entirely fair. For example, new times may become available in certain places and people who have arrived after you may be asked to attend an investigation before you. There may also be a delay in asking you to attend an investigation because the available time relates to an entire family or a single person. We would ask for your understanding during this period of increased pressure.

If you have not been given a time for an asylum investigation by 1 March 2016, we will contact you with updated information about the progress of your case within the process.

We understand that it is stressful waiting for a decision, and we are doing all we can to make fast and sound decisions on each individual's case