



Return process for adult foreign nationals

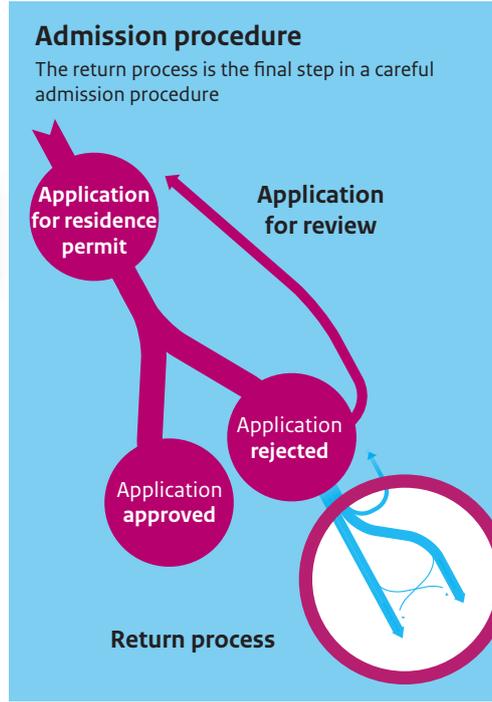
This infographic summarises the return process. Foreign nationals whose application for a residence permit has been rejected or whose residence permit has been revoked, or people who are in the Netherlands illegally, must leave the country. They are given a deadline for voluntary return.

Drawing up the departure plan

The **Repatriation and Departure Service (DT&V)** draws up a departure plan, setting out the steps for the foreign national's departure from the Netherlands: **voluntary return** or **enforced return**.

DT&V holds regular interviews with the foreign national with a view to **voluntary return**

If their **situation changes**, foreign nationals can submit a **new** application for a residence permit



Foreign national cooperates with departure
Foreign national cooperates with departure and continues to be given accommodation for a limited period



Implementing the departure plan
DT&V encourages foreign nationals to return to their country of origin and facilitates this process. For instance through projects designed to remove obstacles to return.

Foreign national still **refuses** to leave of their own accord



While in detention, the foreign national changes their mind and **decides to cooperate** with voluntary return

Foreign national does not cooperate with departure
Supervision measures are imposed, e.g. the foreign national must report regularly to the police, their passport is confiscated or they must pay a deposit. In exceptional cases the foreign national may, under strict conditions and as a last resort, be detained



Enforced return

DT&V arranges the correct documentation with the embassies



For more information go to www.english.dtenv.nl

