

Information for refugees of the war in Ukraine



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USEFUL WEBSITES

Government of Georgia

Посольство України в Грузії https://georgia.mfa.gov.ua

Information about COVID-19: <u>https://stopcov.ge/</u>

Mapping of governmental and nongovernmental services: http://www.dopomoga.ge/ UNHCR Help pages: <u>https://help.unhcr.org/georgia</u>

Important contacts

Emergency situations: **1**12 112 service is free of charge and unifies different services in Georgia, in particular, these services are: patrol police, fire/rescue and medical services.

UNHCR Representation in Georgia

Address: 2a Aleksandre Kazbegi Ave. Tbilisi Georgia Telephone: **\$** +995 577 41 56 10 E-mail: geotbprt@unhcr.org

Embassy of Ukraine in Georgia

Address: 76g I.Chavchavadze Ave.,Tbilisi Georgia Phone **\$** +810-99532-311161 / +810-99532-311454

Division of International Protection Issues of the Migration Department of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia

Address: 16, Mikheil Gakhokidze Street, Tbilisi, Georgia Phone number: **\$** (+995) 598 08 00 97

Relocation to the Europe Union (EU)

From Georgia, you can use air transport. 3 international airports are operational in Georgia:

- Tbilisi International Airport https://www.tbilisiairport.com/
- Kutaisi International Airport https://www.kutaisi.aero/
- Batumi International Airport https://batumiairport.com/

There is well organized support to refugees from the Ukraine both by the Government and charity organizations/NGOs. The Government is recommending to all seeking shelter in Georgia to register as refugees officially. Registered persons will be entitled for financial support, free accommodation, food, medical attendance etc.



Ukr Hryvnia (UAH) to Georgian Lari (GEL), can be exchanged in all major international airport, or train stations in Georgia, or at any currency exchange booths throughout the country. Exchange booths mostly operate with the following currencies: US dollar, Euro, Turkish lira, UK pound. Depending on the amount to be exchanged you may be required to present your ID. Payments with a Ukrainian credit card are accepted widely. Nevertheless, it is suggested to open a Georgian bank account to enable international money transfer.

Travel:

Ukrainian citizens holding passports can enter in Georgia without visas, for a maximum period 1 year (please note that no passport/documentation is needed for pets);

Ukrainian nationals who do not hold passports, are allowed to cross Georgian borders after they are registered by the Georgian authorities and with the purpose of requesting temporary protected status.

Given the simplified procedures of entry for the citizens of Ukraine in Georgia, the absence of any documentation might not create an obstacle to entering the country. If possible, please consult with the Patrol Police Department (0.32) 241-42-42 in advance. If you are travelling with children,

it is recommended that you have at least your child's birth certificate with you.

Ukrainian citizens traveling from any country, via any route (by air, land and sea) may enter Georgia under following conditions:

Vaccinated traveler shall present: the document confirming the full course conduct (two doses, one dose in case of Johnson & Johnson) of any COVID-19 vaccination. Non-vaccinated traveler shall present: PCR-examination negative result certificate done during the last 72 hours prior to travel to Georgia. PCR-examination negative result certificate must be presented in Georgian, English or Russian languages. Any person under the age of 10 is exempted from the obligation to submit a PCR- examination negative result certificate done during the last 72 hours prior to the visit to Georgia.

CSM office / Emergency Rendezvous center:



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The office in Georgia ,Batumi is doing their utmost to provide

- help with documents and when opening a bank account in Georgia
- help to arrange for medical assistance if needed
- to arrange transportation from the border point to Batumi
- advise about apartment rental in areas close to Batumi, Georgia

The office staff will always provide updates on the latest developments in Georgia, however, they cannot provide immediate transportation or accommodation for refugees arriving on the Georgian border.

Please contact the office in Georgia, Batumi for inquiries / more details.

Columbia Shipmanagement, with the kind contribution of our business partners, employees and seafarers also has established a relief fund to support emergency needs of all victims of this war related to the Columbia family.

For processing your request please provide:

- copy of passport of the person applying for financial support/ relationship to CSM employee
- position/vessel/name of CSM employee
- account holder, IBAN number of bank account, SWIFT code.

A seafarer, temporarily residing in Georgia and wishing to rejoin shall be processed for re-employment at Batumi, Georgia.

We wish you and your family all the best. Stay safe!

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