

Checklist:

Just arrived in Belgium! What now?

Did you just arrive in Belgium with your children?
What do you need to arrange in Wallonia?



Administration



Register with the municipality

Register your family with the municipality where you live and inform yourself about the conditions and steps to obtain a residency permit for more than three months. This is the first thing you need to do.



Integration process

The regional integration centres assist you with your steps to settle and work in Wallonia, in your language or a language you understand.



Integration

Social assistance



CPAS

For social assistance, such as support with housing, psychosocial guidance, emergency medical aid or financial support: contact the Public Social Welfare Centre (CPAS) in your municipality.

Finance



Child benefits

Do you have any children? Then you may be entitled to child benefits starting the month after your registration with the municipality.

Child benefits supports you in raising and caring for your children.

In Wallonia it includes:

- a monthly basic amount of approximately €190 per child;
- possible supplements depending on your family situation and income;
- an annual school bonus based on your child's age.

Make sure your child(ren) have a valid residence permit, register with a child benefit fund, and provide them with your bank account details.

Expecting a baby? Apply for your maternity allowance. This is a one-time birth allowance of over €1,300. If you apply during pregnancy, you can receive it as early as two months before the expected date of birth, provided that the mother is residing in Wallonia.



Join us here:
www.parentia.be



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Health



Health insurance fund

Join a health insurance fund to get a refund of your medical expenses. You can choose which health insurance fund you want to register with.

For an overview of **health insurance funds**: www.parentia.be/welcomewal



Medical care

Make sure you have the necessary contacts for medical assistance.

- **Visit a medical centre** (a list is available at www.parentia.be/welcomewal)
- **Looking for a general practitioner in your area? Go to ordomedic.be/nl/vind-een-dokter or www.doctoranytime.be/en**



Emergency numbers:

- Night and weekend calls: 1733
- Urgent assistance: 112 (or the 112 app)
- Poison Control Centre: 070/245.245
- Tele-Accueil (emotional support): 107

Work



Find a job that suits you

Le Forem helps you with your job search and suitable training programs. Visit: www.leforem.be

Child care and school



Child care (children aged 0-3)

Looking for child care for your children aged 0 to 3? L'ONE will guide you. — my.one.be



Preschool, primary and secondary education (children aged 3-18)

In Belgium, children between the ages of 5 and 18 are required to attend school. Start looking for a school in time via www.enseignement.be.

Are your children in secondary school? Check if you are eligible for a scholarship (depending on your income): allocations-etudes.cfwb.be.



Higher education (children aged 18-25)

Are your children continuing their studies after secondary school? Check if you are eligible for a scholarship at allocations-etudes.cfwb.be or aides-etudes.cfwb.be.



Scholarship