

Different permits in the field of asylum

Status / permit	Explanation
N permit The asylum seeker	The person has made a claim for asylum. They are awaiting the response from the SEM.
Refugee B permit Recognised refugee	The SEM has accepted the asylum application. The person is recognised as a refugee. They receive a residence permit: the refugee B permit.
Foreign F permit Temporarily admitted	The SEM did not accept the asylum application. But the person has the right to stay for a limited time because the situation in the country of origin is too dangerous to return.
Refugee F permit Temporarily admitted	The SEM recognises the person as a refugee, but does not grant them asylum. The person may stay for a limited time. The person then receives temporary admission.
Certificate of departure deadline Unsuccessful person	The SEM did not accept the asylum application. Or the SEM did not process the application. According to the Dublin agreements, another country has to process this application. Then the person has to leave Switzerland
Status S The person to be protected	The person can stay in Switzerland for a limited time. Until the situation in their own country improves.