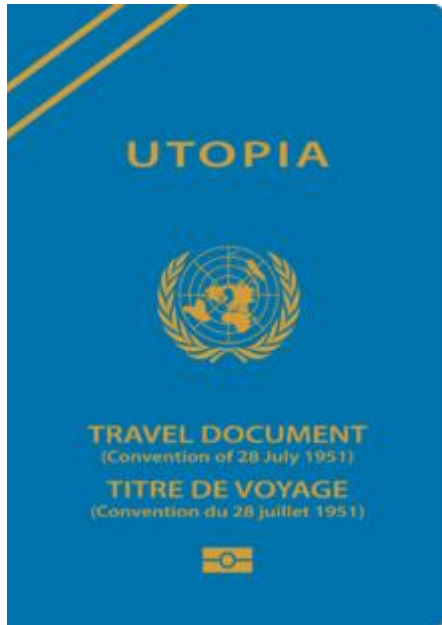




Refugee Travel Documents – Greece



A **refugee travel document** (also called a **1951 Convention travel document** or Geneva passport) is a **travel document** issued to a refugee by the state in which she or he normally resides allowing him or her to travel outside that state and to return there.

Refugees are unlikely to be able to obtain **passports** from their state of nationality (from which they have sought asylum) and therefore need travel documents so that they might engage in international travel.

The 145 states which are parties to the **1951 Convention Relating to the Status of Refugees** are obliged to issue travel documents to refugees lawfully resident in their territory.

Bearers enjoy certain visa-free travel privileges extended by signatories to the convention.



People granted **refugee status** in Greece will be able to submit an application for travel documents to the assigned Asylum Service Office. Instructions on how to apply are issued after you have been granted asylum.

People under **subsidiary protection** can also apply for travel documents if they are unable to obtain a passport from their country of origin.

Travel documents will allow you to travel to other European countries for up to three months in a six month period.

Other conditions may apply depending upon the EU country you would like to visit. The link is from 2014 so it is worth checking with each country what the visa requirements are before travel.

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