

UNHCR Resettlement Handbook



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Using this Handbook

The UNHCR Resettlement Handbook offers resettlement management and policy guidance to UNHCR staff, and is a key reference tool on global resettlement policy and practice for resettlement countries, NGOs and other partners. This revision of the Resettlement Handbook incorporates updates to UNHCR policy and practice since the release of the 2004 edition of the Handbook. The previous annexes are replaced by website hyperlinks to reference documents, some of which are internal documents accessible only to UNHCR staff.

Resettlement States have described their policies and programmes in individual Country Chapters which are an integral part of this Handbook. As these Country Chapters are subject to frequent changes, they are not included in the printed Handbook, but are available online at http://www.unhcr.org/resettlementhandbook.

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