In France, the asylum law has changed. The most important changes affect the asylum seekers who have claimed asylum after the 1st of November 2015. If you claimed your asylum before the 1st of November, you are not affected by all but a few changes.

**What does not change for you**

If you have a récépissé (regular procedure), you can renew it with your current address until the final decision of the CNDA.

If you do not have a récépissé but only a “refusal of residence” (priority procedure), you can always do an appeal in the CNDA against the reject of your asylum claim by the OFPRA, but the préfecture can send you a letter of obligation to leave the country (OQTF) and send you back to your country before the decision of the CNDA.

Those who have lodged their asylum claims before the 1st of November 2015, can use the address of Dom’Asile for all their asylum procedures.

**What does change for you**

**Monthly allowance**

The Pôle Emploi is no more responsible to pay the monthly allowance to the asylum seekers. From now on the OFII is in charge of this allowance. If you have any difficulties regarding the payment of your allowance, you should contact the OFII of your department instead.

The amounts of the monthly allowance have been modified. The amount of the ADA is fixed to 6.80 € per day for a single person + 3.40€ per additional person (wife/husband and/or children). The adult asylum seekers who have been offered an accomodation (CADA, an asylum seekers emergency accommodation or a hotel room from the 115) will receive an extra amount of 4.20€ par day. If you leave the accommodation of CADA or of 115 or if have a new born baby, you must inform the OFII immediately.

**Possibility to be accompanied in your OFPRA interview**

You can be accompanied in your OFPRA interview by a person of an organization or a lawyer. If you wish so, you have to find yourself a lawyer or an organization that has the agreement by the OFPRA to accompany the asylum seekers. This demand to be accompanied should be made to the OFPRA at least 7 days before the interview.

**Legal help for the CNDA / Aide juridictionnelle**

Warning: If you get your asylum claim rejected by the Ofpra, you can ask for ‘the legal help for a lawyer’ called ”Aide juridictionnelle” within 15 days from the date you receive the reject letter from the post office. In case you could not do it in the first 15 days, you will have the possibility to request for the legal help only along with your appeal in the CNDA (the time allowed for the appeal is one month starting from the date you receive the reject letter of the Ofpra).

Remember that once your appeal is registered in the CNDA, you cannot ask for the legal help. You can contact our volunteer of Dom’Asile to help you in this regard.

**Demand of a reexamination of your asylum claim (ré-examen)**

If you ask for a reexamination (ré-examen) of your asylum claim, your file will be treated according to the new law on the asylum. For more information, please contact to our volunteers of Dom’Asile.