



How to contact the Court for lodging a request for an interim measure

Requests for interim measures are received by the Registry staff from Monday to Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. (Strasbourg Local time). Requests received after 4 p.m. will not normally be dealt with on that day.

Requests received during weekends and public holidays are not dealt with on those days but are processed during the next working day (see [List of public and other holidays](#)).



Requests should be sent via the [ECHR Rule 39 Site](#), or by fax, or by post. The Court will not deal with requests sent by email.

- **via the ECHR Rule 39 Site:** The web address is <https://r39.echr.coe.int>. Please see below for further information.

- **via fax:** The dedicated numbers for sending requests are: +33 3 90 21 43 50 and +33 3 88 41 39 00

It is recommended that any faxes exceeding 10 pages be sent in several parts so that they can be received and processed in the best possible conditions.

-**via post:** The address is:

European Court of Human Rights
Council of Europe
67075 STRASBOURG CEDEX
FRANCE



All requests sent by fax or post should be marked as follows in bold on the face of the request:

**“Rule 39 – Urgent
Person to contact (name and contact details): ...”**



In expulsion or extradition cases, the following should also be specified:

“Scheduled date and time of removal and destination: ...”



Requests should normally be received as soon as possible after the final domestic decision has been taken, in order to enable the Court and its Registry to have sufficient time to examine the matter. The Court may not be able to deal with requests in expulsion or extradition cases received less than a working day before the scheduled time of removal.



Details about lodging of requests via the ECHR Rule 39 Site

The ECHR Rule 39 Site is to be used exclusively for lodging requests for interim measures with the Court under Rule 39 of the Rules of Court. Submissions which do not concern requests for interim measures will not be examined and such requests on this site will immediately be closed.

The site will be used to correspond with the applicants who have lodged their requests via this site until a decision regarding the request for interim measures is taken. Correspondence, including notification of any administrative or judicial decision, notified via the site will not be sent by regular post. The Court will not use the site to contact the applicants who submitted their requests through other means, i.e. fax or post.

In order to submit requests, the applicants must (mandatory):

- Fill in the field “Title of the request (Applicants should briefly explain the object of their requests in this field)”
- Fill in the fields related to the applicants, the representative and the State concerned
- Submit at least one attachment. All attachments must be in PDF format. More information on document format and size requirements can be found in [Terms and Conditions](#).

Important

Following the submission of the interim measure request, applicants can only send further information or documents via the ECHR Rule 39 Site if they are requested to do so by the Court.