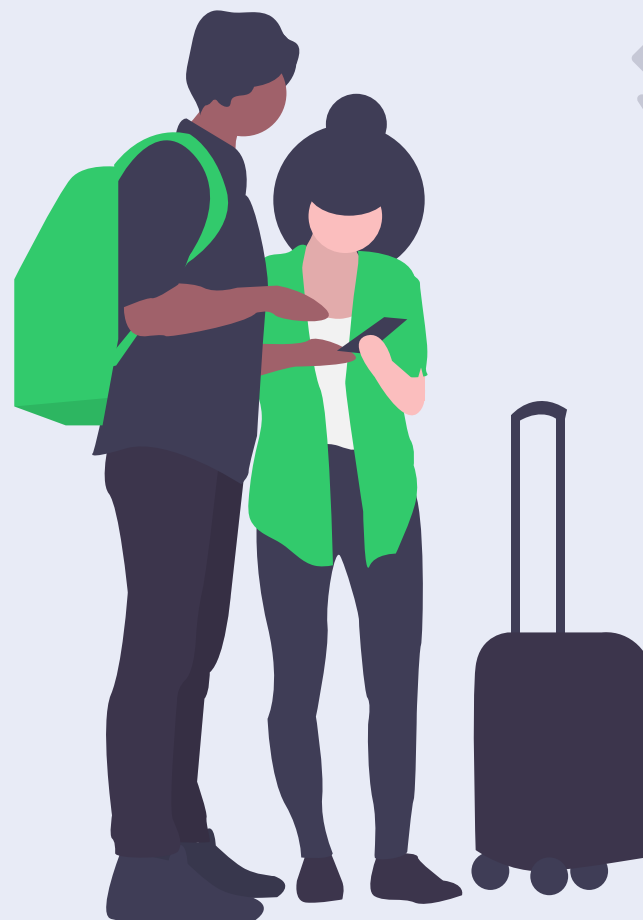


Pre-departure Checklist

To the Netherlands





Congrats on making the adventurous decision to move to the Netherlands! We are excited to welcome you to our multicultural country!

Since you have a lot on your plate with the move, we have put together a handy little pre-departure checklist for you. It's a generic list so it's always good to do a bit of research yourself for your own personal situation. Have fun!

- ☒ **Score a job in the Netherlands!**
- ☐ **Bring your** (and your partner's, if applicable) **original legalised certificates** e.g. birth, marriage depending on your situation *
- ☐ **Ask for a copy of medical history and vaccinations** for your new doctor
- ☐ **Deregister from municipality and tax office**, if applicable
- ☐ **Notify local utility companies** (gas, electric, telecom) of your departure
- ☐ **Review and/or cancel** insurance policies such as health or travel insurance **
- ☐ **Check passport expiration date and visa validity requirements**- you will require a passport that is valid for at least another 6 months
- ☐ **In order to apply for the 30% ruling it's important that you'll bring:**

Proof that you have not resided within 150km of the Dutch border for the last 16 out of 24 months at the time of hiring. The following documents can be used as proof:

- Bank statements with cash withdrawals / debit card payments (1 copy per month); or
 - Rental contract in combination with payment receipts of the rent of the house; or
 - A copy of the utility bill (e.g. a copy of the energy or internet/wifi bill); or
 - A copy of the overview of the municipality taxes; or
 - A registration and/or deregistration certificate
- ☐ **Bring some cash to get you through the first few days**, as not all cards are accepted in the Netherlands. You can exchange money at the airport.

- ☐ **Passport sized photos size 35 x 45 mm** in colour (only if an entry visa is required)
- ☐ **Check the weather forecast** before you pack :)
- ☐ **Bringing children?** de-register them from school, arrange copies of results and vaccinations. Bring original legalised birth certificates.
- ☐ **Bringing pets?** give yourself plenty of time to find out about any quarantine, microchipping, rabies testing, mandatory vaccinations and other particular rules for your country

* The legalisation procedure depends on the country where the document originates so please check carefully. The certificates need to be presented in Dutch, English, French or German. Otherwise a translation by a sworn translator is necessary. The translation then has to be legalised according to specific legislation instructions as well.

** Let them know that you are moving and find out what terms & conditions apply so you don't double up or end up uninsured.



Fun fact:

The most important word you should learn is "gezellig".

Remember the time you were young and carefree and it was snowing outside but you were inside and your parents had made the house so cozy and warm for you? There was a roaring fire, it was pleasantly warm and you felt safe and warm and, well you just felt, "gezellig"!