Call from the resolution judge

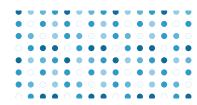


You have received notice from the resolution judge that you owe someone money. Or, if you are an employer, that one of your employees has a dispute with you.

Would you like to respond? This is how it works:

- Go to <u>www.rechtspraak.nl/regelrechter</u> and fill in the response form.
- You can submit your response online via MijnRechtspraak.
- You may also send it by post or hand it in at the court
- You do not have to respond; you may also explain your response orally at the hearing.

Please note that you cannot email the form.



I do not understand the Dutch language. What can I do?

Dutch is spoken at the court. You must also fill in your response form in Dutch. If you are unable to do so, ask for help. Dutch is also spoken during the conversation with the judge (the hearing). If you wish, a family member, an acquaintance or someone else who can assist you can accompany you to translate for you. Can no one translate for you? Then you can ask the court to help you arrange an interpreter. You can indicate this on the form; you do not have to pay for the interpreter. For more information, visit www.rechtspraak.nl/regelrechter.

Court

- The court invites you and the other party.
- You go to court on the day you are invited to the resolution judge.

Good to know

- Make sure you are present 15 minutes before the hearing starts.
- At the entrance, security guards will carry out an access control.
- Bring your passport, ID card or driving licence.
- An usher will then show you around the building.
- The usher will tell you when it is your turn at the resolution judge.



Before the judge

- The resolution judge will listen to both your stories and find out what the law says about them.
- The judge will work with you and the other party to find a suitable solution.
- If this is successful, the resolution judge puts the agreements on paper. Both parties sign it. The case is then usually over.
- If you are unable to reach a solution together, the resolution judge will make a decision. Sometimes you will hear the decision immediately. Alternatively, the decision may be sent to your home a few weeks later.



How long does it take?

The court tries to hear your court case at a hearing within 8 weeks.

Sometimes it can be very busy and it will take longer before your case can be heard. We ask for your understanding for this.

How expensive is it?

At the resolution judge, only the person who starts the trial pays court fees. The party defending (that is you) does not pay court fees. The judge will decide who should pay the costs of the proceedings. More information can be found at: https://www.rechtspraak.nl/Naar-de-rechter/Kosten-rechtszaak/Kostenveroordeling



What cases does the resolution judge decide on?

- A dispute about money with a person or company up to a maximum of €5,000.
- A conflict between an employee and an employer. For example, about wages, holiday pay or about work or return after illness.
 There is no maximum amount for this.

Please note that only employees can file a case with the resolution judge. Employees cannot go to the resolution judge for notice or termination of the employment contract.

Can you take someone with you?

You may bring someone who can represent you in legal proceedings. For example, a lawyer, a lawyer from a legal expenses insurance company, a family member or an acquaintance. Fill in on the form that this person is authorised.

Response form

You can find the response form at www.rechtspraak.nl/regelrechter

The letter you received will tell you to which address to send the response form.

District Court of the Hague

Visiting addresses

Prins Clauslaan 60, The Hague Witte Singel 1, Leiden Oosthaven 25, Gouda

Postal address

Postbus 20302, 2500 EH The Hague

District Court of Overijssel

Visiting addresses

Egbert Gorterstraat 5, Almelo Molenstraat 23, Enschede Schuurmanstraat 2, Zwolle

Postal address

Postbus 323, 7600 AH Almelo Postbus 3343, 7500 DH Enschede Postbus 10067, 8000 GB Zwolle

District Court of Rotterdam

Visiting addresses

Wilhelminaplein 100-125, Rotterdam Steegoversloot 36, Dordrecht

Postal address

Postbus 50955, 3007 BS Rotterdam Postbus 7003, 3300 GC Dordrecht

District Court of Zeeland-West-Brabant

Visiting addresses

Stationslaan 10, Breda Kousteensedijk 2, Middelburg Piusplein 50, Tilburg Zuid-Oostsingel 41, Bergen op Zoom

Postal address

Postbus 90110, 4800 RA Breda

