The Norwegian Directorate of Immigration (UDI) reduced reception capacity for unaccompanied minors due to a decline in arrivals and accommodation needs.

Five reception centres in Central and Northern Norway will close by 19 July 2026:

- Hamnsund EMA (RKM) – 25 places
- Søre Sunnmøre EMA (RKM) – 25 places
- Ørskog EMA (RKM) – 25 places
- Leirfjord EMA (RKN) – 25 places
- Heimly EMA (RKN) – 25 places

An additional 45 places will be phased out across several centres in multiple regions by 19 June 2026:

- Hå asylum reception centre for unaccompanied minors – basic (RKV, Hero) – 5 places
- Lista asylum reception centre for unaccompanied minors – basic (RKS, Hero) – 5 places
- Litlabø asylum reception centre for unaccompanied minors – basic (RKV, Hero) – 5 places
- Lyngdal, Solsiden asylum reception centre for unaccompanied minors – basic (RKS, Hero) – 5 places
- Sunndal asylum reception centre for unaccompanied minors – basic (RKM, Hero) – 5 places
- Rjukan asylum reception centre for unaccompanied minors – basic (RKS, Hero) – 5 places
- Sjøvegan asylum reception centre for unaccompanied minors – basic (RKN, Hero) – 5 places
- Tambartun asylum reception centre for unaccompanied minors – basic (RKM, Hero) – 5 places
- Fosnavåg asylum reception centre for unaccompanied minors – basic (RKM, Hero) – 5 places

Source(s)

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