

Regulatory Decree no. 84/2007, of November 5, which regulates Law no. 23/2007, of July 4:

Article 8 — Entry and exit of minors

1 — Entry into the country of foreign minors unaccompanied by the person exercising parental authority must only be authorized when there is a Portuguese citizen or foreign citizen regularly residing in Portugal who takes responsibility for their stay, after confirmation of an appropriate valid authorization issued by the respective legal representative and evaluation of all other relevant elements.

2 — In case of refusal of entry and return of the unaccompanied minor, the carrier must ensure that the minor is handed over in the country of origin or point where the journey began to the person exercising parental authority or to a person or organization the youth can be entrusted.

3 — Foreign minors residing in the country who wish to leave an external border unaccompanied by the person exercising parental authority must present an authorization signed by one of the parents or by the person who, in this case, is responsible for them, certified by any of the legally foreseen forms.

4 — Whenever there is any doubt regarding the minor's situation, SEF takes all necessary steps to identify the minor to ensure the minor's protection and appropriate referral.