

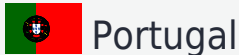
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Information for authorities issuing an ECS

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2 Information contained in each of the registers of the Member State, as listed under point 1

Introductory note concerning the languages accepted, the information to be provided and the document-certification procedure:

As a general rule, requests for information or for a certificate must be submitted in Portuguese.

As a general rule, information is likewise provided in Portuguese.

In certain special cases, Portuguese and EU law or international conventions to which Portugal is party provide for certificates to be issued in a foreign language.

In this connection the reader is referred in particular to:

- [The international convention on the issue of multilingual extracts from civil-status records](#), to which Portugal is party;
- [Regulation \(EU\) 2016/1191 on simplifying the requirements for presenting certain public documents in the European Union](#)
- [The Agreement between Portugal and Spain on judicial cooperation in civil and criminal matters](#), as approved by means of Decree 14/98 of 27 May 1998 on the drafting of requests and documents in the

language of the requesting State

Where required, the information is certified by the competent Portuguese authority and is subsequently deemed authentic under the applicable Portuguese legislation.

Without prejudice to the information to be included in the request and specifically indicated in the places referred to below, the request should for practical reasons be accompanied by the testator's death certificate and contact details should be provided for the authority competent to issue the European Certificate of Succession that is requesting information. If possible, details should be given of a contact person and the working languages which he/she is qualified to use if additional information is required.

CENTRAL REGISTERS OFFICE

These entities hold the following information:

- i) A register of wills from 1950 to the present.
 - ii) The register includes public wills, sealed wills and international wills.
 - iii) Public wills and sealed wills are governed by the [Civil Code](#) and the [Notarial Code](#).
 - iv) International wills are governed by the [1973 Washington Convention](#) on the Uniform Law on the Form of an International Will, as approved for adoption by means of [Decree-Law 252/75 of 23 May 1975](#), and by the Notarial Code rules on the approval, lodging, archiving, registration and opening of sealed wills.
 - v) A request to establish whether a will exists may be made through the submission of an online form.
 - vi) Information concerning the persons who may make a request (and the method and place for so doing), the form to be submitted online and the relevant fee may be consulted [here](#).
 - vii) The language to be used for filling in the form/making the request must be Portuguese.
 - viii) When a request for information is made, the testator's death certificate must be enclosed.
 - ix) If the person who made the will is alive, information concerning the will is confidential and may be disclosed only to the author of the will or to a proxy with special powers.
 - x) When the person dies, that information enters the public domain and may be requested by anyone.
 - xi) In the case of public wills, the content thereof may be made available once the testator is dead.
 - xii) In the case of sealed wills, the Central Registers Office provides notification after the testator's death as to whether a sealed will exists and at which notarial office it was drawn up.
 - xiii) Access to the content of a sealed will must be sought through submission of the death certificate and by means of an opening instrument drawn up by the notarial office at which the will was lodged; the opening instrument may be drawn up by the notarial office if the sealed will was not lodged with any notary.
 - xiv) When a notary becomes aware of the death of any person whose sealed or international will is lodged at that notary's office and even if no interested party asks for the will to be opened, he or she must request the testator's death certificate, draw up an instrument for opening the will and make the existence thereof known to the heirs and executors mentioned therein and to the closest relatives in the descending line (if known).
- The Notarial Code (see Articles 4 and 106 to 115) may be consulted [here](#).
 - The Civil Code (see Articles 2179 to 2334) may be consulted [here](#).

NOTARIES' OFFICES

- i) Deed books for public wills and deeds for the revocation of wills, instruments for approving sealed or international wills lodged at a notary's office and instruments for opening sealed or international wills form part of the notarial archive, which is a public archive.
- ii) Each office has a private index of wills and of all documents relating thereto, organised by means of a system of index or name cards.
- iii) In addition to that index, each notary submits to the Central Registers Office an official index card to be entered in the central register of wills.
- iv) If the heirs or other interested parties know in which office the public will was drawn up, they may – after the testator's death – directly request the notary to record the testator's death on the basis of the death certificate, so that the will certificate can be obtained.

v) As regards sealed wills, the notary draws up an instrument for opening them on the basis of the testator's death certificate and in the presence of two witnesses; this subsequently generates a will certificate based on the instrument of approval and opening.

A list of notaries and their archives can be found [here](#).

Articles 11, 16(a), 25(2), 106 to 115 and 187(a) and (b) of the Notarial Code may be consulted [here](#).

The Chamber of Notaries intends to set up and organise a central register of deeds and wills in accordance with its own legislation, as provided for in Article 3(p) of the [Statutes of the Chamber of Notaries](#).

CIVIL REGISTRY OFFICES

These entities hold the following information:

- Mandatory civil registration of the following facts:

i) birth;

ii) parentage;

iii) adoption;

iv) marriage;

v) pre-nuptial agreements and alterations to the agreed or legally established property regime;

vi) regulation of the exercise of parental authority, any changes thereto and termination thereof;

vii) prevention or suspension of the exercise of parental authority and restrictions on that authority;

viii) support for persons over the age of majority, and the guardianship and administration of assets;

ix) civil custody and revocation thereof;

x) temporary or permanent trusteeship on behalf of persons absent or presumed dead;

xi) declaration of insolvency, rejection of a relevant application in the event of the prior designation of a temporary receiver, and closure of insolvency proceedings;

xii) appointment and end-of-service departure of the receiver and the temporary receiver, assignment of the administration of the insolvency estate to the debtor, a ban on the practice of certain acts without the consent of the insolvency practitioner, and termination of insolvency proceedings;

xiii) a bankrupt person's ineligibility and disqualification as regards carrying on a trade and holding certain positions;

xiv) discharge of the remaining liabilities, initiation and early termination of the relevant procedure, and revocation of the discharge;

xv) death;

xvi) any facts altering or nullifying any of the facts stated above and those arising from a legal requirement;

xvii) facts relating to foreigners when they arise on Portuguese territory;

xviii) where persons subject to the legal relationship of parenthood, adoption or civil custody are married to or in a de facto partnership with a person of the same sex, the entries, amendments or new birth registrations in the civil register will be made in exactly the same way as is provided for in the laws applicable to different-sex couples.

- Information concerning the fees for civil-register certificates, the persons who may request such

certificates and the method and place for doing so, and also the application form to be submitted online, are available via the following [link](#).

- The language to be used for filling in the application form must be Portuguese.
- Any person may request a birth certificate online by filling in a form or by calling in person at any of the places listed in the aforementioned link.
- The legal restrictions on access to certain information (e.g. in the event of adoption or a sex change entailing an alteration to a forename) are also indicated in the aforementioned link.
- If a birth certificate is requested, this must record the following facts if they have arisen:

i) marriage, dissolution thereof, declaration of non-existence or nullity, annulment and *sanatio in radice*, and also separation in any of its forms and reconciliation of legally separated spouses;

ii) establishment of parentage;

iii) marriage of the parents to each other after the birth of a child has been registered;

iv) adoption and review of the relevant judgment;

v) regulation of the exercise of parental authority, termination thereof and any change to the custody of the child;

vi) disqualification from and suspension of the exercise of parental authority, and measures limiting that authority (which are recorded on the child's birth certificate);

vii) support for persons over the age of majority (including specific measures decreed for registration purposes), the guardianship and administration of assets, temporary or permanent trusteeship on behalf of persons absent and the inability of a married minor to administer assets, and the alteration and extinction thereof;

viii) the establishment and revocation of civil custody;

ix) declaration of insolvency, rejection of a relevant application and closure of insolvency proceedings;

x) appointment and end-of-service departure of the receiver and the temporary receiver, assignment of the administration of the insolvency estate to the debtor, a ban on the practice of certain acts without the consent of the insolvency practitioner, and termination of insolvency proceedings;

xi) a bankrupt person's ineligibility and disqualification as regards carrying on a trade and holding certain positions;

xii) initiation, early termination and final decision in a procedure to discharge any remaining liabilities, and revocation thereof;

xiii) change of name;

xiv) change of sex and subsequent change of name (although such facts are recorded on the birth certificates of the adult children of the person who has changed sex only if those individuals so request, and on the birth certificate of the other spouse only with his or her consent);

xv) any retention of the spouses' surnames in the event of dissolution of the marriage or remarriage;

xvi) death and presumed death declared by a court;

xvii) in general, any legal fact affecting the identification details or marital status of the registered person;

xviii) adoption dependent upon consent is recorded only when consent is granted.

- The facts subject to civil registration in Portugal and those recorded on the birth certificate are specified in Articles 1 and 69 of the Civil Registration Code. The [Portuguese Civil Registration Code](#) and the [Portuguese Land Registry Code](#) may be consulted here.

BUSINESS REGISTER OFFICES

These hold the following information:

- Mandatory recording of facts concerning trading companies and civil companies in commercial form

i) establishment;

ii) where required by law, decisions taken at a general meeting concerning purchases of assets by the company;

iii) reverse split, split or transfer of shares in private limited-liability companies or shares held by limited partners in limited partnerships;

iv) transfers of shares in general partnerships or shares held by limited partners in limited partnerships, the establishment of rights in rem to use and enjoy or charges over such shares and the transfer, modification or cancellation thereof, and the attachment of rights over profits and liquidation quota;

v) establishment and transfer of usufruct, security, distraint, lien, attachment or seizure in criminal proceedings on shares or rights thereover, and any other acts or orders that affect the free disposal of such shares;

vi) withdrawal or expulsion of partners from general partnerships and limited partnerships, the cancellation of shares as a result of the death of a partner, and the admission of new partners with unlimited liability;

vii) amortisation of shares and the expulsion or withdrawal of shareholders from private limited-liability companies;

viii) decisions on the amortisation, conversion or redemption of shares;

ix) issuing of bonds by private offering, unless they are admitted to trading on a regulated securities market within the period of application for registration;

x) appointment and end-of-service departure, for any reason other than the passage of time, of members of the board of directors and management boards, or of the company secretary;

xi) presentation of accounts by public limited companies, private limited-liability companies and partnerships limited by shares, and by general partnerships and limited partnerships where so required, and consolidated accounts of companies required to present them;

xii) change in registered office or transfer of registered office abroad;

xiii) plans for domestic or cross-border mergers or demergers;

xiv) plans to incorporate a European public limited-liability company by merger, plans to incorporate a European public limited-liability company by transformation of a public limited-liability company formed under national law, or plans to incorporate a European public limited-liability holding company; in the latter case, with proof that the conditions for doing so are met;

xv) any extension, domestic or cross-border merger, demerger, conversion or dissolving of a company, and any increase, reduction or repurchase of share capital, and any other amendment to a company's articles of association;

xvi) appointment and end-of-service departure, prior to the completion of liquidation, of company liquidators, as well as any change in liquidators' statutory or contractual powers;

xvii) the completion of liquidation or the company's resumption of operations;

xviii) decisions on maintaining total control by one company of another, in a company group, or termination of such situation;

xix) subordination agreements, and any amendment or expiry thereof;

xx) issuing of stock warrants, where this is by means of a private offering by an entity that has no securities listed on a national regulated market, unless they are admitted to trading on a regulated securities market

within the period of application for registration.

- Mandatory recording of facts concerning European limited-liability companies

- i) establishment;
- ii) submission of annual accounts and, where appropriate, consolidated accounts;
- iii) any proposal to transfer the registered office to another EU Member State;
- iv) amendments to the relevant statutes;
- v) any proposal to convert the company into a limited-liability company subject to domestic law;
- vi) the conversion referred to in the preceding subparagraph;
- vii) dissolution;
- viii) the completion of liquidation or the company's resumption of operations;
- ix) any other facts relating to limited-liability companies that must by law be recorded.

- Mandatory recording of facts concerning cooperatives

- i) establishment of the cooperative;
- ii) the appointment and end-of-service departure of directors, representatives and liquidators for any reason other than the passage of time;
- iii) the extension, conversion, merger, demerger and any other amendment of the statutes;
- iv) winding-up and closure of liquidation.

- Mandatory recording of facts concerning public companies

- i) establishment of the public company;
- ii) the amalgamation, merger, demerger and any other amendment of the statutes;
- iii) the winding-up of public companies, the appointment and end-of-service departure of liquidators prior to closure of the liquidation, and actual closure of the liquidation.

- Mandatory recording of facts concerning additional company groupings

- i) the grouping contract;
- ii) the issue of bonds;
- iii) the appointment and dismissal of directors and managers;
- iv) the admission, dismissal and exclusion of members of the grouping;
- v) amendments to the contract;
- vi) winding-up and closure of the liquidation of the grouping.

- Mandatory recording of facts concerning European economic-interest groupings

- i) the grouping contract;
- ii) the total or partial cessation of involvement by a member of the grouping;
- iii) the clause exempting a new member from payment of debts contracted before it joined the grouping;

iv) the appointment and end-of-service departure of the grouping's managers for any reason other than the passage of time;

v) the admission, dismissal and exclusion of members of the grouping;

vi) amendments to the grouping contract;

vii) any plan to transfer the registered office;

viii) dissolution;

ix) the appointment and end-of-service departure of liquidators prior to the closure of liquidation;

x) closure of liquidation.

- Mandatory recording of facts concerning individual limited-liability establishments

i) the setting up of such establishments;

ii) increases and reductions in the establishment's capital;

iii) transfer of the establishment between living persons and the leasing thereof;

iv) the creation by means of a deed between living persons of entitlement to usufruct and lien over the establishment;

v) the annual accounts;

vi) amendments to the constituent act;

vii) placement of the establishment in liquidation and closure of the liquidation;

viii) the appointment and end-of-service departure of the establishment's liquidator before liquidation is complete, where the liquidator is not the owner of the establishment.

- Recording of other facts subject to mandatory inclusion in the business register

i) the establishment, alteration and closure of permanent representations of companies, cooperatives, additional company groupings and European economic-interest groupings with their registered office in Portugal or abroad, and the appointment, powers and end-of-service departure of the representatives thereof;

ii) the submission of the accounts of companies with their registered office abroad and a permanent representation in Portugal;

iii) the actions, decisions, procedures and precautionary measures provided for in Article 9 of the Business Registration Code (e.g. actions serving to recognise, establish or cancel the rights referred to in Articles 3 to 8 of the Business Registration Code which concern trading companies, civil companies in commercial form, cooperatives, public companies, additional company groupings, European economic-interest groupings and individual limited-liability establishments, actions declaring null and void or annulling the constituent acts of cooperatives and of individual limited-liability establishments, and actions declaring null and void or annulling company resolutions);

iv) any other facts subject by law to business registration.

- Unofficial registration (via the system interconnecting the EU's registers) of facts relating to companies with their registered office in another Member State and a permanent representation in Portugal

i) the opening and closure of liquidation and insolvency proceedings;

ii) cancellation of a company's registration.

- Recording of facts to be optionally included in the business register

- i) written instructions issued by a trader, any amendments thereto and extinction thereof;
- ii) the contract with an agency or commercial representation if concluded in writing, any amendments thereto and extinction thereof;
- iii) non-compliance with the requirement to declare the beneficial owner as specified by law;
- iv) commitments to alienate or encumber shares in general partnerships, limited partnerships or private limited-liability companies and pre-emption agreements where it has been agreed that they will have *erga omnes* effects, and pre-emption obligations attributed such effects by a testator;
- v) the issue of bonds, debentures, stocks and shares, the appointment and end-of-service departure of members of the board of directors and the supervisory board for any reason other than the passage of time, and the submission of public companies' accounts;
 - Information concerning the fees for business-register certificates, the persons who can request such certificates and the method and place for doing so, and also the details to be provided in connection with such requests, may be obtained via the following [link](#).
 - The form for requesting a full certificate from the business register (to be submitted online) and information concerning the method of payment may be obtained via the following [link](#).
 - The language to be used for filling in the application form must be Portuguese.
 - Any person or company may request a full certificate from the business register online, by filling in the form indicated in the aforementioned link.
 - A full business-register certificate may be:
 - a register-based one making available the entity's computerised records (may be issued in Portuguese or English);
 - a register- and document-based one making available the computerised records and the electronic documents relating to the entity (except documents concerning the submission of accounts);
 - one based on the up-to-date articles of association/statutes and making available the most recent articles of association or the updated statutes.
 - The facts required to be recorded in Portugal's business register are specified in Articles 3 to 10a and 15 of the Business Registration Code, which may be consulted [here](#).

VEHICLE REGISTER OFFICES

These offices hold the following information concerning the legal situation of motor vehicles and their trailers

- Facts subject to mandatory registration
 - i) right of ownership (although in the event of hereditary succession, registration of ownership is waived in cases where the vehicle is intended to be transferred by the heir(s));
 - ii) right of usufruct;
 - iii) retention of title stipulated in contracts for the sale of motor vehicles;
 - iv) the financial lease and the transfer of rights arising therefrom;
 - v) rental for a term exceeding one year, where the relevant contract results in an expected transfer of ownership;
 - vi) allocation of the vehicle for rental without a driver;
 - vii) the burdens of inalienability and of residual taxation provided for in tax legislation;
 - viii) a change in the name or title and the customary residence or headquarters of the vehicles' owners, users or hirers.

- Facts for which registration is optional

i) the mortgage, modification and assignment thereof, and also assignment of the degree of priority of the respective registration;

ii) the transfer of registered rights or claims and any lien, distraint or seizure relating to those claims (although a lien in respect of vehicles is not legally permissible);

iii) attachment and any administrative measures that affect the free disposal of vehicles;

iv) a non-owner user;

v) declaration of insolvency;

vi) the expiry or modification of rights or charges previously registered, a change of composition of the name or denomination and a change of habitual residence or registered office of the owners, usufructuaries and hirers of the vehicles;

vii) confiscation of a registration certificate in cases when so ordered by administrative and police authorities, and also a request for seizure and confiscation of vehicles provided for under the special procedure for the regularisation of ownership;

viii) confiscation in criminal proceedings;

ix) seizure of a vehicle by means of a decision imposing an administrative penalty in accordance with the Highway Code;

x) declaration of forfeiture of the vehicle to the State by order of a final court judgment.

- Facts recorded unofficially in the register via the public administration's interoperability platform

i) the fact that the vehicle has been stolen;

ii) the action taken to regularise the situation.

- Other facts subject to registration

i) actions serving to recognise, establish, alter or extinguish one of the rights relating to motor vehicles and their trailers that are subject to registration, and also avoidance action;

ii) actions serving principally or incidentally to amend, declare null and void or annul a registration or cancellation thereof;

iii) final decisions relating to the aforementioned actions, as soon as they acquire legal force;

iv) procedures serving to order distraint and seizure, and any other legal measures affecting the free disposal of assets;

v) measures ordered in respect of the aforementioned actions and procedures.

- Information concerning the fees for vehicle-register certificates, the persons who can request such certificates and the method and place for doing so, together with the details to be provided in connection with such requests and the request form to be submitted online, may be obtained via the following [link](#).

- The following steps need to be taken in order to request a certificate from the motorcar registry:

- Go to this website: [Automóvel online \[Motor Vehicle Online\]](#).

- Enter the vehicle registration number.

- Enter the details of the person requesting the certificate (his/her name or business name and email address).

- Make payment at an ATM or via home banking.

- The language to be used for filling in the application form must be Portuguese.
- Any person or company may request a certificate from the motorcar registry online by filling in a form; if a paper certificate is preferred, it can be applied for in person at an IRN IP (Institute of Registry Offices and Notaries) counter or at a *loja do cidadão* (citizens' one-stop shop).
- The facts subject to vehicle registration and those that must appear on a registration certificate are specified in Articles 5, 6 and 10 of the Vehicle Registration Code, which may be consulted [here](#).

LAND REGISTRY OFFICES

These entities hold the following information:

- A record of facts relating to the legal situation of buildings and of the rights mentioned below
- i) legal acts determining the establishment, recognition, acquisition or modification of rights of ownership, usufruct, use and habitation, surface areas or easement;
 - ii) legal acts determining the establishment or modification of flat ownership and timesharing rights;
 - iii) land-ownership changes resulting from the dividing-up of land, the conversion of the joint-ownership structure and division, and the respective amendments;
 - iv) offer of conveyance or encumbrance, preferential covenants and preferential provision of a will, if these have been given real effect, and also the assignment of the contractual position arising from these acts;
 - v) assignment of assets to creditors;
 - vi) mortgage, assignment or modification thereof, assignment of the degree of priority of the respective registration and rent assignment;
 - vii) transfer of receivables secured by mortgage or rent assignment where transfer of guarantee is involved;
 - viii) lease exceeding six years and transfers or subleases thereof, except for tenant farming;
 - ix) pledge of credit secured by mortgage or rent assignment, and any other acts or arrangements affecting the same receivables;
 - x) any other restrictions on the right of ownership, subject to registration under law;
 - xi) legal acts that bring about the cancellation of rights, encumbrances or registered charges.

Other facts subject to registration:

- i) actions serving principally or incidentally to recognise, establish, alter or cancel one of the rights referred to in the preceding article, and also avoidance action;
 - ii) actions serving principally or incidentally to amend, declare null and void or annul a registration or cancellation thereof;
 - iii) final decisions relating to the actions referred to in the preceding paragraphs, as soon as they acquire legal force;
 - iv) procedures serving to order distraint and seizure, and any other measures affecting the free disposal of assets;
 - v) measures decreed under the procedures referred to in the preceding paragraph.
- Information concerning the fees for land-register certificates, the persons who may request such certificates and the method and place for doing so, together with the details to be provided in connection with such requests and the request form to be submitted online, may be obtained via the following [link](#).
 - The language to be used for filling in the application form must be Portuguese.
 - Any person may request a land-register certificate online by filling in a form or by calling in person at any

Land Register Office, a list of which may be accessed via the aforementioned link.

- The facts required to be recorded in Portugal's land register are specified in Articles 2 and 3 of the Land Registry Code, which may be consulted [here](#).

ENTITIES RESPONSIBLE FOR ISSUING AND FOR MANAGING SECURITIES

These entities hold the following information:

- Facts subject to registration

i) acquisition of securities (securities are nominative pursuant to Article 52 of the Securities Code and may be bequeathed);

ii) the establishment, modification or extinction of usufruct, lien or other legal situation affecting securities.

- The following – amongst others treated as such by law – are deemed to constitute securities:

- stocks and shares

- bonds

- equity

- shares in investment funds

- the liable rights of the securities referred to in the previous paragraphs, provided that the liability covers the entire issue or series, or is provided for at the time of issue

- autonomous warrants

- other documents representing homogeneous legal situations, provided that they can be transferred on the market.

The register (which is not centralised) is kept by each issuing entity or managing entity.

The issue, nature, registration and management of securities are regulated by means of the Securities Code, which may be consulted via the following [link](#).

A list of issuing and managing entities may be consulted via the following [link](#).

Entities responsible for issuing and managing securities are subject to supervision by the Securities Market Commission, with which they are required to cooperate to the full extent requested.

The Securities Market Commission is required to make information available to non-specialist investors (Articles 4(4) and 6(6) of the Securities Market Commission's Statutes, as approved by means of Decree-Law No 5/2015 and amended by means of Law No 148/2015).

Requests for information may be addressed to the Securities Market Commission through the completion in Portuguese of an online form available via the following [link](#).

The Securities Market Commission's address, telephone number and email addresses are available via the following [link](#).

NATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION AUTHORITY

This department holds the following information:

- The aeronautical register of aircraft registered in Portugal and of the parts and components thereof.

Legal basis:

- [Decree-Law 40/2015 of 16 March 2015](#)

Requests for information may be sent in Portuguese to:

ANAC - *Autoridade Nacional de Aviação Civil* [National Civil Aviation Authority]

Rua B, Edifício 4 - Humberto Delgado Airport

1749-034 Lisbon

Phone: +351 21 284 22 26

Fax: +351 21 840 23 98

Email: geral@anac.pt

Website: <https://www.anac.pt/>

NATIONAL MARITIME AUTHORITY - REGISTRATION AND NOTARY DEPARTMENTS - ONLINE MARITIME INFORMATION DESK

These entities hold the following information concerning ships and vessels:

- A register recording the ownership of ships and vessels, the characteristics thereof and any liens and encumbrances applicable thereto.
- A register of shipping charts.

Legal basis:

- [Decree-Law 265/72 of 31 July 1972 applicable to the categories of vessel designated in Article 19 thereof;](#)
- [Decree-Law 93/2018 of 13 November 2018 applicable to the categories of vessel designated in Article 2 thereof;](#)
- [Decree-Law 92/2018 of 13 November 2018 applicable to the ships and vessels indicated in Article 2 thereof.](#)

Requests for information relating to the vessel category indicated in the above legislation may be addressed to:

- The National Maritime Authority, through completion in Portuguese of the online form available via the following [link](#).
- The Registration and Notaries Departments referred to in Article 7 of Decree-Law No 92/2018; their contact details and a description of the services they provide online may be obtained via the following [link](#).
- The Online Maritime Information Desk, through completion in Portuguese of the online form available via the following [link](#).

PUBLIC SECURITY POLICE - WEAPONS AND EXPLOSIVES DEPARTMENT

This department holds the following information:

- The type, make, model, calibre, serial number and unique marking affixed to the frame or the receiver as a unique marking enabling each firearm to be identified uniquely;
- the serial number or a unique marking applied to the essential components, where that differs from the marking on the frame or receiver of each firearm;
- the names, addresses and tax identification of the suppliers and of the purchasers or holders of the firearm, together with the dates on which ownership or possession changed;
- any modifications to a firearm (including deactivation or destruction) that result in the reclassification thereof, and the relevant date.

Legal basis:

- [Law 5/2006 of 23 February 2006](#) (see Article 72)

Requests for information may be sent in Portuguese to:

Weapons and Explosives Department

Rua Artilharia 1, No 21

1269-003 Lisbon

Phone: +351 21 8111000

Fax: +351 21 387 47 72

Email: seronline@psp.pt

Website: <https://www.psp.pt/>

3 The availability of information on bank accounts

THE BANK OF PORTUGAL holds an ACCOUNTS DATABASE

In civil and commercial matters, the information contained in the Accounts Database must be made available to courts of law by the Bank of Portugal under the conditions laid down in Article 417(3)(c) and (4) of the Code of Civil Procedure, under which a court may lift bank secrecy.

Information concerning the additional legislation applicable, the persons who may be granted access to bank information, the forms to be filled in and the documents to be enclosed with the application are available via the following [link](#).

Contact details for the Bank of Portugal:

Call centre: (+351) 213 130 000

Address: R. do Comércio, 148 (1100-150 Lisbon)

Email: info@bportugal.pt

Website: <https://www.bportugal.pt/>

4 The availability of a register of intellectual property rights

PORTUGUESE INSTITUTE OF INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY

This holds the following information:

register of exclusive rights over:

- trade marks – trade marks, logos, collective association or certification marks, denominations of origin, geographical indications and rewards;
- patents – patents, provisional patent applications and utility models;
- designs – designs or models.

Online searches for trade marks, patents and designs can be made via the following [link](#).

Requests for information may be made in Portuguese:

- by filling in the online form available via the following [link](#).
- by post or in person at the following address:

Portuguese Institute of Industrial Property

R. da Alfândega, 15

1100-016 Lisbon

Email: servico.publico@inpi.pt

Website: <https://inpi.justica.gov.pt/>

- The Portuguese Institute of Industrial Property may be contacted on the following telephone numbers:

within Portugal: 218 818 188

within Portugal or from abroad: (+351) 210 514 396 (cost of a local call)

Legal basis:

- [Industrial Property Code – Decree-Law No 110/2018 of 10 December 2018](#)

INSPECTORATE-GENERAL FOR CULTURAL ACTIVITIES (IGAC)

This holds the following information:

A register of the following works:

- literary and scientific works, and also works of drama in general;
- musical compositions, with or without lyrics;
- choreographed works and pantomimes;
- cinematographic and televisual works;
- sculptures and ceramics;
- drawings, tapestries, paintings and tilework;
- cartoons;
- engravings and lithographs;
- other works of plastic art (applied or otherwise);
- photographs or works produced by means of any processes similar to those used in photography;
- architectural projects, plans or drawings;
- scale models;
- maps, graphics and illustrations relating to topography, geographical charts or science in general;
- computer programs;
- databases;
- performances by artistes;
- phonographic productions;
- audiovisual productions.

Requests for services must be submitted to the IGAC

by means of an IGAC form accompanied by the documentation provided for in the relevant legislation.

For information concerning the requirements associated with each service, consult the [services catalogue](#).

A request for simple or full certificates must be made in Portuguese by means of the '*Formulários para pedido de certidões simples ou integrais* (Forms for requesting simple or full certificates)', which are available via the following [link](#):

Requests must be sent to the following address:

Inspectorate-General for Cultural Activities (IGAC)

Palácio Foz, Calçada da Glória, No 9

1250-112 Lisbon

Email: igacgeral@igac.pt

Website: <https://www.igac.gov.pt/>

Legal basis:

- [Decree-Law 143/2014 of 26 September 2014 – Regulation on the registration of literary and artistic works](#)

5 Other registers with information relevant to successions

A public list of enforcement cases may be consulted on the *Citius* Portal via the following [link](#).

A list of tax debtors may be consulted via the following [link](#).

6 The availability of information on closed wills and wills not subject to registration

This question has already been answered above, by means of the reply to the following question: *What information is contained in each of the Member State's registers, as listed under point 1?*

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