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### Article 2(1) - Authorities that can be considered as courts

None.

### Article 3(2) - Requested courts

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Aras Ui Dhalaigh, Four Courts,

Dublin 7

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### Article 4 - Central body

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Territorial Jurisdiction: National.

### Article 6 - Languages accepted for completion of the forms

Forms will be accepted in Irish or English only.

### Article 7 - Means accepted for transmission of requests and other communications

The primary method for transmitting requests, forms, and communications is through the decentralized IT system e-CODEX.

## Article 19 – Central body or competent authority(ies) responsible for decisions on requests for direct taking of evidence

(1) The Circuit Court shall be competent to take evidence pursuant to a request to which Article 1.1(a) of the Council Regulation applies.

(2) Subject to paragraph (3), the power conferred on the Circuit Court by paragraph (1) shall be exercised by the county registrar for the county or county borough in which the witness from whom evidence is to be taken resides, or carries on any profession, trade, business or other occupation.

(3) Where a request relates to more than one witness and paragraph (2) would operate to require the taking of evidence from the witnesses concerned by county registrars for different counties or county boroughs, the power conferred on the Circuit Court by paragraph (1) shall, in relation to the taking of evidence from each of those witnesses, be exercised by such county registrar as may be designated by the Chief Executive of the Courts Service or by such member of staff of the Courts Service as he or she may authorise in that behalf.

(4) The Courts Service is designated as the central body in the State for the purposes of Articles 4 and 19 of the Council Regulation.

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## Article 29 – Agreements or arrangements to which Member States are parties and which comply with the conditions in Article 29(2)

Ireland has not entered into any such agreements or arrangements.

## Article 31(4) – Notification on the early use of the decentralised IT-system

N/A

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