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NB! Council Regulation (EC) No [1393/2007](#) has been replaced by Regulation (EU) [2020/1784](#) of the European Parliament and of the Council as of 1 July 2022.

Notifications made under the new Regulation can be found [here!](#)

Article 2(1) - Transmitting agencies

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Article 2(2) - Receiving agencies

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Article 2(4)(c) - Means of receipt of documents

Means of receipt available: post.

Article 2(4)(d) - Languages that may be used for the completion of the standard form set out in Annex I

Apart from Greek, the form may be completed in English or French.

Article 3 - Central body

Hellenic Ministry of Justice, Transparency and Human Rights

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Article 4 – Transmission of documents

Apart from Greek, Greece accepts request forms completed in French or English.

Articles 8(3) and 9(2) – Particular periods set by national law for serving documents

Greece does not intend to derogate from Article 9(1) and (2).

Article 10 – Certificate of service and copy of the document served

Apart from Greek, Greece accepts certificates completed in French or English.

Article 11 – Costs of service

From 1 August 2013, the costs of service by a public prosecutor (*eisangeléas*) correspond to a fixed fee of EUR 50.

Fees must be paid by bank transfer to the ‘Hellenic Ministry of Justice, Transparency & Human Rights’ (*Ypourgeío Dikaiosýnis, Diafáneias kai Anthropolón Dikaiomáton*), into the following bank account:

Bank of Greece (*Trápeza tis Elládos*)

Account number: 23/2341147896

IBAN: GR9101000230000002341147896

Swift Code: BNGRGRAA

All requests for service in accordance with Article 4 of the Regulation must comply with the procedure described. Requests not accompanied by the required receipt of payment from the bank will be returned without processing.

Article 13 – Service by diplomatic or consular agents

Greece opposes the service of judicial and extrajudicial documents within its territory in accordance with paragraph 1 of this Article, except where the documents in question are to be served on nationals of the Member State in which the documents originate.

Article 15 – Direct service

Greece has not expressed any reservation regarding this Article.

Article 19 – Defendant not entering an appearance

Notwithstanding paragraph 1, the courts in Greece are required to give judgment provided that the conditions of paragraph 2 are fulfilled.

An application for relief provided for by paragraph 4 may be filed with three years of judgment being given.

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