

## Taking evidence - Bulgaria

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### **Article 2 – Requested courts**

Requests for the taking of evidence should be sent to the district court [*rayonen sad*] in whose jurisdiction evidence is to be taken. (Article 617(1) of the Code of Civil Procedure)

The court competent to authorise the direct taking of evidence in the Republic of Bulgaria is the provincial court [*okrazhen sad*] in whose jurisdiction the evidence is to be taken. (Article 617(2) of the Code of Civil Procedure)

The competent court can be found using the portal's search engine.

Click on the below link to view all competent authorities related to this Article.

Country: Bulgaria

Instrument: Taking evidence

Competence type: Requested courts

More than one court/authority has been found which is competent for this legal instrument based on the information you provided. Below is the list:

+ Apelativen sad Burgas

+ Apelativen sad Plovdiv

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+ Apelativen sad Varna

+ Apelativen sad Veliko Tarnovo

+ Okrazhen sad Blagoevgrad

+ Okrazhen sad Burgas

+ Okrazhen sad Dobrich

+ Okrazhen sad Gabrovo

+ Okrazhen sad Haskovo

+ Okrazhen sad Kardzhali

+ Okrazhen sad Kyustendil



Okrazhen sad Lovech



Okrazhen sad Montana



Okrazhen sad Pazardzhik



Okrazhen sad Pernik



Okrazhen sad Pleven



Okrazhen sad Plovdiv



Okrazhen sad Razgrad



Okrazhen sad Ruse



Okrazhen sad Shumen



Okrazhen sad Silistra



Okrazhen sad Sliven



Okrazhen sad Smolyan



Okrazhen sad Sofia



Okrazhen sad Stara Zagora



Okrazhen sad Targovishte



Okrazhen sad Varna



Okrazhen sad Veliko Tarnovo



Okrazhen sad Vidin



Okrazhen sad Vratsa



Okrazhen sad Yambol



Raionen sad Ardino



Raionen sad Asenovgrad



Raionen sad Aytos



Raionen sad Balchik



Raionen sad Belogradchik



Raionen sad Berkovitsa



Raionen sad Blagoevgrad



Raionen sad Botevgrad



Raionen sad Breznik



Raionen sad Burgas



Raionen sad Byala



Raionen sad Byala Slatina



Raionen sad Chepelare



Raionen sad Cherven Bryag



Raionen sad Chirpan



Raionen sad Devin



Raionen sad Devnia



Raionen sad Dimitrovgrad

+ Raionen sad Dobrich
+ Raionen sad Dryanovo
+ Raionen sad Dulovo
+ Raionen sad Dupnitsa
+ Raionen sad Elena
+ Raionen sad Elhovo
+ Raionen sad Elin Pelin
+ Raionen sad Etropole
+ Raionen sad Gabrovo
+ Raionen sad Galabovo
+ Raionen sad General Toshevo
+ Raionen sad Gorna Oryahovitsa
+ Raionen sad Gotse Delchev
+ Raionen sad Harmanli
+ Raionen sad Haskovo
+ Raionen sad Ihtiman
+ Raionen sad Isperih
+ Raionen sad Ivailovgrad
+ Raionen sad Kardzhali
+ Raionen sad Karlovo
+ Raionen sad Karnobat
+ Raionen sad Kavarna
+ Raionen sad Kazanlak
+ Raionen sad Knezha
+ Raionen sad Kostinbrod
+ Raionen sad Kotel
+ Raionen sad Kozlodui
+ Raionen sad Krumovgrad
+ Raionen sad Kubrat
+ Raionen sad Kula
+ Raionen sad Kyustendil
+ Raionen sad Levski
+ Raionen sad Lom
+ Raionen sad Lovech
+ Raionen sad Lukovit
+ Raionen sad Madan
+ Raionen sad Malko Tarnovo
+ Raionen sad Mezdra
+ Raionen sad Momchilgrad

+ Raionen sad Montana
+ Raionen sad Nesebar
+ Raionen sad Nikopol
+ Raionen sad Nova Zagora
+ Raionen sad Novi Pazar
+ Raionen sad Omurtag
+ Raionen sad Oryahovo
+ Raionen sad Panagyurishte
+ Raionen sad Parvomai
+ Raionen sad Pavlikeni
+ Raionen sad Pazardzhik
+ Raionen sad Pernik
+ Raionen sad Peshtera
+ Raionen sad Petrich
+ Raionen sad Pirdop
+ Raionen sad Pleven
+ Raionen sad Plovdiv
+ Raionen sad Pomorie
+ Raionen sad Popovo
+ Raionen sad Provadia
+ Raionen sad Radnevo
+ Raionen sad Radomir
+ Raionen sad Razgrad
+ Raionen sad Razlog
+ Raionen sad Ruse
+ Raionen sad Samokov
+ Raionen sad Sandanski
+ Raionen sad Sevlievo
+ Raionen sad Shumen
+ Raionen sad Silistra
+ Raionen sad Sliven
+ Raionen sad Slivnitsa
+ Raionen sad Smolyan
+ Raionen sad Sredets
+ Raionen sad Stara Zagora
+ Raionen sad Svilengrad
+ Raionen sad Svishtov
+ Raionen sad Svoege

+ Raionen sad Targovishte

+ Raionen sad Tervel

+ Raionen sad Teteven

+ Raionen sad Topolovgrad

+ Raionen sad Tran

+ Raionen sad Troyan

+ Raionen sad Tryavna

+ Raionen sad Tsarevo

+ Raionen sad Tutrakan

+ Raionen sad Varna

+ Raionen sad Veliki Preslav

+ Raionen sad Veliko Tarnovo

+ Raionen sad Velingrad

+ Raionen sad Vidin

+ Raionen sad Vratsa

+ Raionen sad Yambol

+ Raionen sad Zlatograd

+ Sofiiski raionen sad

+ Varhoven kasatsionen sad

### **Article 3 – Central body**

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### **Article 5 – Languages accepted for completion of the forms**

Requests from another Member State for the collection of evidence and communications should be drawn up in Bulgarian or accompanied by a translation into Bulgarian. (Article 618 of the Code of Civil Procedure)

### **Article 6 – Means accepted for transmission of requests and other communications**

The technical means for the receipt of requests available to the courts on the list pursuant to Article 2(2) are: by post, by courier service, by registered letter with acknowledgement of receipt and by fax.

### **Article 17 – Central body or competent authority(ies) responsible for decisions on requests for direct taking of evidence**

The court competent to authorise the direct taking of evidence in the Republic of Bulgaria is the provincial court in whose jurisdiction the evidence is to be taken. (Article 617(2) of the Code of Civil Procedure)

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Country: Bulgaria

Instrument: Taking evidence

Competence type: Competent authority

More than one court/authority has been found which is competent for this legal instrument based on the information you provided.  
Below is the list:

+ Okrazhen sad Blagoevgrad

+ Okrazhen sad Burgas

+ Okrazhen sad Dobrich

+ Okrazhen sad Gabrovo

+ Okrazhen sad Haskovo

+ Okrazhen sad Kardzhali

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+ Okrazhen sad Lovech

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+ Okrazhen sad Varna

+ Okrazhen sad Veliko Tarnovo

+ Okrazhen sad Vidin

+ Okrazhen sad Vratsa

+ Okrazhen sad Yambol

#### **Article 21 – Agreements or arrangements to which Member States are parties and which comply with the conditions in Article 21(2)**

The Republic of Bulgaria does not maintain and has not concluded any agreements or arrangements with other EU Member States which aim to facilitate the collection of evidence and must be compatible with this Regulation.

The Regulation is applicable on a priority basis to agreements concluded by the Republic of Bulgaria with other Member States to the extent that these concern the taking of evidence in civil and commercial matters.

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