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Croatia

NB! Council Regulation (EC) No 1206/2001 has been replaced by Regulation (EU) 2020/1783 of the European Parliament and of the Council as of 1 July 2022.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 – Requested courts

The requested court that is competent for the taking of evidence in Croatia is:

- the municipal court (*općinski sud*) in whose territory procedural actions have to be undertaken. This can mean one or more municipal courts with authorisation from the President of the Supreme Court of the Republic of Croatia (*predsjednik Vrhovnog suda Republike Hrvatske*) to take evidence. The court or courts come within the territory of one or more county courts (*županijski sudovi*).

The list of receiving agencies (*prijamna mjesta*) in the Republic of Croatia, containing the names, addresses and geographical areas of the competent judicial bodies, can be found in the court database that is accessible from the e-justice portal.

Article 3 – Central body

The central body responsible for (a) supplying information to the courts; (b) seeking solutions to any difficulties which may arise in respect of a request; (c) forwarding, in exceptional cases, at the request of a requesting court, a request to the competent court is:

the Ministry of Justice of the Republic of Croatia (Ministarstvo pravosuđa Republike Hrvatske)

Ulica grada Vukovara 49

tel.: +385 1 371 40 00

fax: +385 1 371 45 07

web: <https://mpu.gov.hr/>

Article 5 – Languages accepted for completion of the forms

The Republic of Croatia accepts forms in Croatian.

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

Requests and other communications may be transmitted by post (and in exceptional cases by fax or email).

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

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

Relationship with existing or future agreements or arrangements between Member States – agreements or arrangements between the Republic of Croatia and other Member States:

- Agreement between the Republic of Croatia and the Republic of Slovenia of 7 February 1994 on legal assistance in civil and criminal matters.

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