

DECISION OF THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE MEMBER STATES, MEETING WITHIN THE COUNCIL

of 25 June 1996

on the establishment of an emergency travel document

(96/409/CFSP)

THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE MEMBER STATES OF THE EUROPEAN UNION, MEETING WITHIN THE COUNCIL,

Conscious that the creation of a common format emergency travel document for issue by Member States to citizens of the Union in places where those citizens' Member State of origin has no permanent diplomatic or consular representation, or in other circumstances as are described in the rules set out in Annex II to this Decision, is in accordance with Article 8c of the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Considering that the establishment of a common emergency travel document is likely to provide genuine help to the citizens of the Union in distress,

Confident that the establishment of such a document will therefore provide a clear demonstration of the practical benefits of being a citizen of the Union,

HAVE DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

An emergency travel document shall be established, the uniform format of which is described in Annex I, which forms an integral part of this Decision.

The rules governing the issue of the emergency travel document and the security measures relating thereto are set out in Annexes II and III and form an integral part of this Decision. The rules and measures may be amended by unanimous agreement of the Member States; such amendments shall come into effect one month after their adoption unless a Member State requests re-examination at Ministerial level.

Article 2

This Decision shall take effect when all the Member States have notified the General Secretariat of the Council that the procedures required by their legal systems for the application of this Decision have been completed.

Article 3

This Decision shall be published in the Official Journal.

Done at Luxembourg, 25 June 1996.

For the Council
The President
M. PINTO

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**EMERGENCY TRAVEL
DOCUMENT**

TITRE DE VOYAGE PROVISoire

The Embassy/Consulate of

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at

has issued this Emergency Travel Document to the holder who is a citizen of the European Union (the following are particulars of the holder (Glossary see page 4)):

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L'ambassade/le consulat de

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à

a délivré le présent titre de voyage provisoire au titulaire suivant, citoyen de l'Union européenne (pour remplir les rubriques, se reporter à la page 4):

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(1) *Surname/Nom*

(2) *Given Name(s)/Prénom(s)*

(3) *Date of birth/Date de naissance*

(4) *Place of birth/Lieu de naissance*

(5) *Height/Taille*

(6) *Nationality/Nationalité*

(7) *Signature of the holder/Signature du titulaire*

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(8) *For one journey to-via/Pour un voyage vers-via*

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(9) *Date of expiry/Date d'expiration*

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(10) *Date of issue/Date de délivrance*

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(11) *Registration number/N° d'enregistrement*

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(12) *Signature of the issuing officer/Signature du fonctionnaire habilité*

(13) *Seal of the issuing authority/
Sceau de l'autorité*

PHOTO

DOCUMENTO PROVISIONAL DE VIAJE, NØDPAS, RÜCKKEHRAUSWEIS, ΠΡΟΣΩΡΙΝΟ ΤΑΞΙΔΙΩ-
ΤΙΚΟ ΕΠΤΡΑΦΟ, DOICIMÉAD TAISTIL PRÁINNEACH, DOCUMENTO DI VIAGGIO PROVVISO-
RIO, NOOD-REISDOCUMENT, TÍTULO DE VIAGEM PROVISÓRIO, TILAPÄINEN MATKUSTUS-
ASIAKIRJA, PROVISORISKT RESEDOKUMENT

GLOSSARY/RUBRIQUES/GLOSARIO/ORDLISTE/ERLÄUTERUNGEN/ΕΠΙΕΞΗΓΗΣΕΙΣ/
GLUAIS/ELENCO/RUBRIEKEN/GLOSSÁRIO/SELITYKSET/ORDLISTA

(1) Apellido(s) (2) Nombre(s) (3) Fecha de nacimiento (4) Lugar de nacimiento (5) Estatura
(6) Nacionalidad (7) Firma del titular (8) Para un viaje a . . . vía . . . (9) Fecha de expiración (10) Fecha
de expedición (11) Número de registro (12) Firma del funcionario expedidor (13) Sello de la
autoridad expedidora.

(1) Efternavn (2) Fornavn(e) (3) Fødselsdato (4) Fødested (5) Højde (6) Nationalitet (7) Indehaverens
underskrift (8) Gyldigt for en rejse til . . . via (9) Udløbsdato (10) Udstedelsesdato (11) Registrerings-
nummer (12) Udstedende embedsmands underskrift (13) Udstedende myndigheds stempel.

(1) Name (2) Vorname(n) (3) Geburtstag (4) Geburtsort (5) Größe (6) Staatsangehörigkeit (7) Unter-
schrift der Inhaberin/des Inhabers (8) Für eine Reise nach . . . über . . . (9) Gültig bis (10) Ausstel-
lungsdatum (11) Registriernummer (12) Unterschrift der Amtsperson (13) Stempel der ausstellenden
Behörde.

(1) Επώνυμο (2) Όνομα(ονόματο) (3) Ημερομηνία γεννήσεως (4) Τόπος γεννήσεως (5) Ανά-
στημα (6) Υπηκοότητα (7) Υπογραφή κατόχου (8) Για μια μετάβαση προς-μέσω (9) Ημερομη-
νία λήξεως (10) Ημερομηνία έκδοσης (11) Αριθμός πρωτοκόλλου (12) Υπογραφή υπαλλήλου
(13) Σφραγίδα εκδίδουσας αρχής.

(1) Sioinne (2) Ainm(neache) (3) Dáte breithe (4) Áit breithe (5) Airde (5) Naisidniacht (7) Sinlú
enfasselbhóra (8) Do thuras amhaingo-via (9) As fledhm (10) Dáta eisiúna (11) Uimhir chiáraithe
(12) Siniú an oifigigh eisiúna (13) Sesia an údarais eisiúna.

(1) Cognome (2) Nome (1) (3) Data di nascita (4) Luogo di nascita (5) Statura (6) Nazionalità (7) Firma
del titolare (8) Per un viaggio a . . . via . . . (9) Data di scadenza (10) data di rilascio (11) Numero di
registrazione (12) Firma del funzionario abilitato a rilasciare il documento (13) Timbro dell'autorità
che rilascia il documento.

(1) Naam (2) Voorna(a)m(en) (3) Geboortedatum (4) Geboorteplaats (5) Lengte (6) Nationaliteit
(7) Handtekening van de houder (8) Voor een reis naar-via (9) Vervaldatum (10) Datum van afgifte
(11) Registratienummer (12) Handtekening van de ambtenaar die het document afgeeft (13) Stempel
van de autoriteit van afgifte.

(1) Apelido(s) (2) Nome(s) próprio(s) (3) Data de nascimento (4) Local de nascimento (5) Altura
(6) Nacionalidade (7) Assinatura do titular (8) Para uma viagem a . . . via . . . (9) Válido até (10) Data
de emissão (11) Número de registo (12) Assinatura do funcionário emissor (13) Selo da autoridade
emissora

(1) Sukunimi (2) Etunimet (3) Syntymäaika (4) Syntymäpaikka (5) Pituus (6) Kansalaisuus (7) Haltijan
nimikirjoitus (8) Määränpää ja reitti (9) Viimeinen voimassaolopäivä (10) Myöntämispäivä (11) Asiakir-
jan numero (12) Asiakirjan myöntävän viranomaisen allekirjoitus (13) Asiakirjan myöntävän viran-
omaisen leima

(1) Efternamn (2) Förnamn (3) Födelseid (4) Födelseort (5) Längd (6) Medborgarskap (7) Innehavaren
namnteckning (8) Gäller för en resa till — via (9) Giltigt t.o.m. (10) Utfärdat den (11) Registrerings-
nummer (12) Utfärdande myndighets namnteckning (13) Utfärdande myndighets stämpel

ANNEX II

RULES GOVERNING THE ISSUE OF THE EMERGENCY TRAVEL DOCUMENT

1. An emergency travel document (ETD), the common format of which is shown in Annex I is a travel document which may be issued for a single journey to the applicant's Member State of origin, country of permanent residence or, exceptionally, another destination. It may be issued to nationals of Member States on the authority of the State of which the person is a national.
 2. ETDs may be issued when all the following conditions are met:
 - (a) the recipient must be a national of a Member State whose passport or travel document has been lost, stolen or destroyed or is temporarily unavailable, and
 - (b) he/she is in the territory of a country where the person's Member State of origin has no accessible diplomatic or consular representation with the capacity to issue a travel document or, where that State is not otherwise represented, and
 - (c) clearance from the authorities of the person's Member State of origin has been obtained.
 3. Applicants for ETDs should complete an application form and send it together with photocopies certified as true copies by the diplomatic post of any available proof of identity and nationality, to an authority designated to that effect of the applicant's Member State of origin. This need not necessarily be the nearest one if another authority in the area would be more appropriate. The issuing post will collect from the applicant and will retain such charges and fees as would normally be levied by them for issuing an emergency passport. Applicants with insufficient funds to cover other local related expenditure will receive, where appropriate, the necessary funds in accordance with instructions given by the Member State of origin at the time of the application.
 4. An ETD should be made valid for barely longer than the minimum period required for completion of the journey for which it is issued. In calculating this period, allowances should be made for necessary overnight stops and for making travel connections.
 5. For recording purposes, a photocopy of each document issued should be kept at the issuing post and another should be sent to the authority of the applicant's Member State of origin.
 6. Each Member State may extend the application of these rules to other persons connected with it and whom it is willing to admit.
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ANNEX III

SECURITY MEASURES FOR EMERGENCY TRAVEL DOCUMENTS

Emergency travel documents (ETDs) shall be produced and issued in compliance with the following security measures:

1. Size

open: 18 × 13 cm,

folded: 9 × 13 cm.

2. Paper

ETDs shall be printed on security paper, free of optical brighteners (approximately 90 g/m²), using a standard 'CHAIN WIRES' watermark legally protected for the manufacturer of the document, with two invisible fibres (blue and yellow, SSI/05) fluorescent under ultraviolet light and reagents against chemical erasure.

3. Numbering system

Each Member State shall provide the documents with a centralized numbering system, combined with the initials of the issuing Member State, as follows:

Belgium	= B	—	[00000]
Denmark	= DK	—	[00000]
Germany	= D	—	[00000]
Greece	= GR	—	[00000]
Spain	= E	—	[00000]
France	= F	—	[00000]
Ireland	= IRL	—	[00000]
Italy	= I	—	[00000]
Luxembourg	= L	—	[00000]
Netherlands	= NL	—	[00000]
Austria	= A	—	[00000]
Portugal	= P	—	[00000]
Finland	= FIN	—	[00000]
Sweden	= S	—	[00000]
United Kingdom	= UK	—	[00000]

The number shall be printed in letterpress on pages 1 and 4 of the document, using OCR-B characters, in black colour with green fluorescence under UV light.

4. Attaching the bearer's photograph

The bearer's photograph must be securely attached to the document so as to prevent easy removal. The photograph shall be laminated in accordance with national practice, it being understood that Member States shall take the necessary steps to ensure an appropriate level of security for the document.

5. Entry of the bearer's personal details

There shall be a consistent approach to the entry of the bearer's personal details on the ETD form. These details shall be entered in either handwritten or typewritten form, and shall be covered with a laminate.

6. Seal of the issuing authority

When an ETD is issued, the seal of the issuing authority shall be affixed partly on the document and partly on the bearer's photograph.

7. Additional security features

ETDs shall have a guilloche protective background with indirect letterpress printing in four colours on the pages where data is to be entered with due consideration to iridescent printing.

The following printing technology shall be used:

— INTAGLIO, recto including text on page 1, latent image and microprint in blue reflex ink,

- OFFSET, recto and verso, in two colours and IRIS,
- 1st: text, in blue reflex,
- 2nd: antiscanner background, in light blue,
- 3rd: guilloche background with IRIS effect in two colours, green and violet, the second one with yellow fluorescence under UV light.

The inks used shall be copy-resistant and any attempt to make a colour copy shall result in clearly recognizable colour deviations. Moreover, at least one colour shall contain fluorescent agents. The inks shall also contain reagents against chemical erasure.

8. Printing forms

Multicoloured processed guilloche background printing forms specially designed for this document with integrated microtypes shall be used.

9. Storage of blank ETD forms

In order to minimize the risk of forgery or counterfeiting, all Member States shall ensure theft-proof storage of blank ETD forms.
