

Service of Documents

COUNTRY	LIMIT	NO LIMIT	SPECIFICITIES
ALBANIA	X		-All documents that have an urgent character, but with respect to sanitary and distancing measures
			-All documents that can be transmitted electronically
ARMENIA	X		-All documents that have an urgent character, but with respect to sanitary and distancing measures
BELGIUM	X		 All urgent and necessary documents can be served Priority e-service of documents Respecting the social distancing
			- Use "depository service"
BULGARIA	X		 -All documents that have an urgent character, but with respect to sanitary and distancing measures -All documents that can be transmitted electronically
ESTONIA	X		-All documents that can be transmitted electronically
FINLAND	X		-All documents that can be transmitted electronically
FRANCE	X		 Practical guide to the "contactless" service of documents The National Chamber, via its subsidiary ADEC, has created a secure platform for electronic service of documents: SECURACT. This platform, which has been in operation for several years, enables service to be affected on legal persons. Now with the crisis the doors are open to serve to natural persons.
GERMANY			
GEORGIA			



GREECE	X	- In the field of service of documents, no decision has been taken by the
		Authorities.
HUNGARY	X	 The service of foreign documents by judicial officers does not take place during the period of state of emergency, the period of service begins again on the 15th day after the end of the emergency state. The judicial officer informs the debtor about the possibility and the conditions of the installment payment at the same time as the service of the enforceable title is served on the debtor during the enforcement proceedings, after the commencement of enforcement and during the time of the emergency. If the debtor indicates his intention to pay in installments, the judicial officer may determine this without the prior consent of the creditor for enforcement. During the enforcement procedure, the documents are served by post or by
		electronic means and in accordance with the rules on electronic communication.
ITALY	X	 The emergency law does not deal with the service of documents. Art. 10, sub. 2, b) of the Law Decree number 9/2020 provided expressly for suspension of communications and the service of documents. However, the new Decree "Cura Italia" does not provide anything else. The rules provided by Decree number 9 could be applied until 31 of March 2020. Furthermore, this decree can be implemented only in Lombardy Region and to other provinces that have been defined as "red zone" identified in the Prime Minister's Decree dated 8 of March 2020. So, it could be applied to the people that have their residence, employment or place of business in this red zone. The rules contained in the "Cura Italia" Decree, instead, could be implemented across all Italian territory until 11 May. So, in the entire Italian territory, including the red zone, after 31 March 2020 service of documents is not prevented. The communications and service of documents performed in the period between 9 March 2020 and 11 May 2020 will ex lege produce their effects after the period of suspension. We can say, finally, that we hope that the use of electronic notifications will grow even more, not only in order to guarantee the safety of the operators, but also to



		ensure that the system improves, avoiding delays between the request of a service documents and the receipt by the addressee, even in case of regular notification.
KOSOVO*	X	-All documents that have an urgent character, but with respect to sanitary and distancing measures -All documents that can be transmitted electronically
LATVIA	X	-All documents that can be transmitted electronically
LUXEMBURG	X	- The service of documents in person and at home is prohibited and has been replaced by a closed-door service in order to avoid physical contact with the litigant with a view to preventing the spread of covid19.
MOLDOVA	X	-All documents that have an urgent character, but with respect to sanitary and distancing measures -All documents that can be transmitted electronically
MONTENEGRO	X	 All decisions in proceedings pending before these authorities shall be notified by post. Based on this measure, our chamber has informed all members to work without personal contact and to service all documents by post. All judicial officers have been adapting their work on this recommendation.
QUEBEC	X	 Any service of documents can be done by technological means (e-mail, fax) without leave of the court However, if service by technological means is not possible, the judicial officer may refuse to serve with contact if they determine that the proceedings are not urgent; professional independence to accept or refuse to serve with contact. In this case, the communicated health measures will be respected.
ROMANIA	X	 -All documents, but with respect to sanitary and distancing measures, by Post, or personal agents to the bailiff. -All documents that can be transmitted electronically
RUSSIA	X	- It is recommended for citizens to use the electronic service "Internet-reception" on official website of the Service to send a request in the electronic form. For proper communication special correspondence boxes for visitors have been installed outside the administrative buildings.



SLOVAKIA	Х	-All documents that have an urgent character, but with respect to sanitary and distancing measures -All documents that can be transmitted electronically
SPAIN	Х	-All documents that can be transmitted electronically
THAILAND	Х	-All documents that have an urgent character, but with respect to sanitary and distancing measures -All documents that can be transmitted electronically
THE NETHERLANDS	X	- No service of documents through direct contact. It is possible to leave the deed of service directly in the mailbox