

Law on Identity Card

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Article 1

The ID card is a public document which proves the identity, citizenship and domicile of the citizen of the Republic of Macedonia.

The citizen may have only one ID card.

Article 2

Every citizen who has reached 18 years of age has the duty to have an ID card.

The ID card may be also issued to a citizen who has reached 15 years of age upon his request.

Article 3

The ID card is being issued by the Ministry of Internal Affairs.

Article 4

The application for the issuance of an ID card is being submitted to the Ministry of Interior according to the area in which the citizen has domicile.

The application for the issuance of an ID card is being submitted on a prescribed form.

With the application of paragraph 2 of this article the citizen submits two photographs. Upon exception, the citizens born abroad submit a birth certificate.

Article 5

The form of the ID card containing: title "ID card"; sign "Republic of Macedonia" with the engraved insignia of the Republic of Macedonia; the code of the series and the serial number and a place for a photograph.

The following data are being inscribed in the form of the ID card: the municipality in which the ID card is being issued; name and family name of the citizen, day, month and year of birth; place, municipality and state of birth; domicile and address of the apartment; unique personal registration number of the citizen; date of issuance of the ID card, registration number; period of validity of the ID card; signature of the authorised official of the body which has issued the ID card and a stamp in the Macedonian language and its Cyrillic stamp, and the names of the members of minorities (the original says nationalities) are written in the language and alphabet of minorities.

Article 6

The citizen who submits an application will be fingerprinted.

Article 7

The citizen under 25 years of age is being issued with an ID card with a period of validity of 7 years, to a citizen at the age between 25 and 50 years of age the ID card is being issued with a

period of validity of 15 years, and the citizen over 50 years of age is being issued with an ID card with permanent validity.

The application for the replacement of the ID card is submitted within the period of 30 days prior to the expiry of the period of the period of validity of the ID card, at latest.

Article 8

The citizen, who will change his domicile or will make a change in his personal name, is being issued with a new ID card.

In case of change of address of the apartment of the domicile, the citizen is obliged to submit an application for replacement of the ID card with a new one.

Article 9

The citizen of Article 2, paragraph 1 of this law has the duty to carry the ID card with himself and to show it upon request to the official which is authorised to ask for ID cards by law.

It is not allowed to give an ID card for use to another person, that is to use someone else's ID card as one's own.

Article 10

When the official of the Ministry of Internal Affairs authorised to ask for ID cards has established that the ID card of the citizen is so damaged or worn out that it cannot serve its purpose or the image of the bearer of the ID card has changed so much that it does not fit the photograph of the ID card, he will oblige the citizen to submit an application for replacement of the ID card.

In the cases of paragraph 1 of this Article application for replacement of the ID card may be submitted by the citizen itself.

Article 11

The citizen, who will loose his ID card or on any other way remain without it, is obliged to report this to the Ministry of Interior and submit application for issuance of new ID card.

If the citizen whom has been issued new ID card in a meantime find the previously issued ID card, he is obliged immediately to submit the former one to the Ministry of Interior.

Article 12

Ministry of Interior, latest in term of 15 days after the application has been received, will issue the ID card to the citizen.

Article 13

In the cases encompassed in Article 7-paragraph 2, Article 8 and Article 10, in the very moment of receiving the new ID card the citizen should submit the old ID card to the Ministry of Interior for the purposes of its disregarding.

Article 14

Ministry of Interior make documentary evidence for all ID cards issued in accordance with the foreseen standards and legal regulations.

Article 15

With a monetary fee in amount of 1/6 to 1/2 of his/her salary will be fined each individual who:

- 1) Has more than one ID card
- 2) Has already reached age of 18 and still do not have ID card (article 2-paragraph 1)
- 3) Will submit false birth certificate (article 4-paragraph 3)
- 4) In legally binding time-framework do not submit application for replacement of his/her ID card
- 5) Will not submit application for replacement of his/her ID card at all (article 8-paragraph 2) and
- 6) Will give his/her ID card to be used by other person, or one who will use the ID card that does not belong to him/her (article 9-paragraph 2)

With monetary fee in amount of 1/5 of his/her salary will be fined each individual who will not carry with him/herself his/her ID or who will refuse to show it (article 9-paragraph 1)

Article 16

Ministry of Interior in a period of 3 months after entering into force of this law will ordain secondary legal regulations regarding the form of the ID cards, procedure for issuance and replacement of ID cards, and procedure for conducting documentary evidence for all issued ID cards.

Article 17

The ID card issued pursuant to the regulations up to date, will be valid until the period of their validity which is mentioned in the ID card, and for the maximum period of two years from the day of entry into force of the legislative sub-regulations on the form of the ID card.

The citizenship of the Republic of Macedonia is not proved with the ID cards issued until 1 April 1993.

Article 18

The insignia of the Republic of Macedonia, as a part of the form of the ID card in accordance with Article 5-paragraph 1 of this Law, will not be engraved on the newly issued ID cards until the Law for the Insignia of the Republic of Macedonia will be ordain.

Article 19

By entering into force of this Law, the Law on ID card (Official Gazette of SRM No. 15/73, 20/73, 38/85, 37/87, 51/88 and 19/90) and the Law for the Basic Information on the ID card (Official Gazette of SFRY No. 6/73) are no longer in force.

Article 20

This Law enter into force on the eight day from the day of its publication in the Official Gazette of Republic of Macedonia.