

Regulation (EC) No 1393/2007 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 November 2007 on the service in the Member States of judicial and extrajudicial documents in civil or commercial matters (service of documents), and repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 1348/2000

CHAPTER II

JUDICIAL DOCUMENTS

Section 1

Transmission and service of judicial documents

Article 4

Transmission of documents

- 1 Judicial documents shall be transmitted directly and as soon as possible between the agencies designated pursuant to Article 2.
- 2 The transmission of documents, requests, confirmations, receipts, certificates and any other papers between transmitting agencies and receiving agencies may be carried out by any appropriate means, provided that the content of the document received is true and faithful to that of the document forwarded and that all information in it is easily legible.
- 3 The document to be transmitted shall be accompanied by a request drawn up using the standard form set out in Annex I. The form shall be completed in the official language of the Member State addressed or, if there are several official languages in that Member State, the official language or one of the official languages of the place where service is to be effected, or in another language which that Member State has indicated it can accept. Each Member State shall indicate the official language or languages of the institutions of the European Union other than its own which is or are acceptable to it for completion of the form.
- 4 The documents and all papers that are transmitted shall be exempted from legalisation or any equivalent formality.
- 5 When the transmitting agency wishes a copy of the document to be returned together with the certificate referred to in Article 10, it shall send the document in duplicate.

Changes to legislation:

There are outstanding changes not yet made to Regulation (EC) No 1393/2007 of the European Parliament and of the Council. Any changes that have already been made to the legislation appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to :

- Regulation partial repeal by [EUR 2020/1784](#) Regulation
- Regulation repeal by [EUR 2020/1784](#) Regulation (This amendment by the EU not applied to legislation.gov.uk because it is brought into force after IP completion day.)
- Regulation revoked by [S.I. 2018/1257](#) reg. 7