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Lithuania

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 Council Regulation (EC) No 1206/2001 has been replaced by Regulation (EU) 2020/1783 of the European Parliament and of the Council as of 1 July 2022.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 courts are the courts of first instance: district courts and, in the cases specified by law, regional courts. Regional courts, acting as courts of first instance, hear civil cases:

- 1) for claims exceeding forty three thousand five hundred euros, excluding cases relating to family law, employment relationships or compensation for non-material damage;
- 2) relating to moral legal relationships under copyright;
- 3) relating to legal relationships arising from a civilian public tender;
- 4) relating to bankruptcy and restructuring, excluding cases relating to the bankruptcy of natural persons;
- 5) in which one of the parties is a foreign state;
- 6) for claims relating to the compulsory sale of shares (interests, members' shares);
- 7) for claims relating to an investigation into a legal entity's activities;
- 8) relating to compensation for material and non-material damage in violation of established patients' rights;
- 9) other civil cases which, under the law, are heard by regional courts as the court of first instance.

Article 3 – Central body

The central body is: the Ministry of Justice of the Republic of Lithuania

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Article 5 – Languages accepted for completion of the forms

Apart from Lithuanian, the Republic of Lithuania will accept forms completed in English or French.

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

Requests for the taking of evidence are accepted by post and fax.

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)

Lithuania has not concluded any agreements or arrangements with Member States to facilitate the further taking of evidence, as referred to in Article 21(2).

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