

# Authorities

	Israel - Central Authority & practical information	
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	<p><b>Practical Information:</b></p>	
Forwarding authorities (Art. 3(1)):	The Director of Courts ( <i>i.e.</i> the Central Authority)	
Methods of service (Art. 5(1)(2)):	<p>Service is effected either by registered post with a certificate of receipt of service or personally delivered by the clerks of the various Magistrate's courts.</p> <p>If the person to be served is not at the address given, the documents can be accepted by a member of the family who lives at the same address and appears to be at least 18 years old. In addition, if the documents are served by the clerk of the court, on his third visit to an address where no answer has been obtained, the clerk can post the document on the door of the intended recipient – and in this case this is regarded as legal service of the documents.</p> <p><i>Documents intended for residents of the Palestinian Authority</i>                  Please note that documents intended for residents of the Palestinian Authority should be forwarded through the Director of Courts. This authority forwards the documents to the Palestinian Authority. However, the Palestinian Authority has issued regulations for the service of documents for inhabitants of the areas under Palestinian Authority jurisdiction:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. The documents are to be translated into Arabic <i>and</i> Hebrew.</li> <li>b. The request will include the full name (four names) of the recipient.</li> <li>c. The request will include the Identification Number of the</li> </ol>	

	recipient. <i>d.</i> The request will include the full address as far as possible.
Translation requirements (Art. 5(3)):	Service requested under the Convention requires that the documents to be served are written in or translated into either Hebrew, English or Arabic.
Costs relating to execution of the request for service (Art. 12):	No fees are charged by the Israeli authorities for service of documents under the Convention.
Time for execution of request:	3 to 6 months.
Judicial officers, officials or other competent persons (Art. 10(b)):	The State of Israel, in its quality as State of destination, will, in what concerns Article 10, paragraphs b) and c), of the Convention, effect the service of judicial documents only through the Directorate of Courts, and only where an application for such service emanates from a judicial authority or from the diplomatic or consular representation of a Contracting State.
Oppositions and declarations (Art. 21(2)):	Click <a href="#">here</a> to read all the declarations made by Israel under the Service Convention.
Art. 8(2):	No opposition
Art. 10(a):	No opposition
Art. 10(b):	Additional information - see <a href="#">declarations</a>
Art. 10(c):	Additional information - see <a href="#">declarations</a>
Art. 15(2):	No declaration of applicability
Art. 16(3):	Declaration of applicability
Derogatory channels (bilateral or multilateral agreements or internal law permitting other transmission channels) (Arts. 11, 19, 24 and 25)  <b>Disclaimer:</b> <i>Information may not be complete or fully updated – please contact the relevant authorities to verify this information.</i>	To consult bilateral and multilateral treaties to which Israel is a party, click <a href="#">here</a> .
Useful links:	<a href="#">The Judicial Authority</a>

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**Conventions**

- [Convention of 15 November 1965 on the Service Abroad of Judicial and Extrajudicial Documents in Civil or Commercial Matters](#) [14]