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Transposition measures

According to Article 21 of Directive 2003/8/EC to improve access to justice in cross border disputes by establishing minimum common rules relating to legal aid for such disputes Member States were obliged to bring into force the laws, regulations and administrative provisions necessary to comply with this Directive by 30 November 2004 with the exception of Article 3(2)(a) where the transposition of this Directive into national law had to take place by 30 May 2006.

The following table presents the national transposition measures.

Member State	National transposing measure	Official Publication	Internet link
AT	Federal law implementing the European Convention of 27 January 1977 concerning the transmission of applications for legal aid and to implement the EC Directive 2003/8/EC to improve access to justice in cross-border disputes by establishing minimum common rules relating to legal aid for such disputes (legal aid applications for transmission law, VH-ÜbermG	BGBI I 191/1982	http://www.ris.bka.gv.at/Dokument e/BgblAuth/BGBLA_2004_I_128/BGBLA_2004_I_128.pdf

	<p>Bundesgesetz zur Durchführung des Europäischen Übereinkommens vom 27. Jänner 1977 über die Übermittlung von Anträgen auf Verfahrenshilfe und zur Umsetzung der Richtlinie EG 2003/8/EG zur Verbesserung des Zugangs zum Recht bei Streitsachen mit grenzüberschreitendem Bezug durch Festlegung gemeinsamer Mindestvorschriften für die Prozesskostenhilfe in derartigen Streitsachen (Verfahrenshilfeanträge-Übermittlungsgesetz, VH-ÜbermG),</p> <p>Adoption: April 29th, 1982, entry into force: March 16th, 1982, with changes</p>		
	<p>Article XV of the federal law to implement the European Convention of 27 January 1977 concerning the transmission of applications for legal aid and to implement the EC Directive 2003/8/EC to improve access to justice in cross-border disputes by establishing minimum common rules relating to legal aid for such disputes (legal aid applications for transmission law, VH-ÜbermG)</p> <p>Article XV Bundesgesetz zur Durchführung des Europäischen Übereinkommens vom 27. Jänner 1977 über die Übermittlung von Anträgen auf Verfahrenshilfe und zur Umsetzung der Richtlinie EG 2003/8/EG zur Verbesserung des Zugangs zum Recht bei Streitsachen mit grenzüberschreitendem Bezug durch Festlegung gemeinsamer Mindestvorschriften für die Prozesskostenhilfe in derartigen Streitsachen (Verfahrenshilfeanträge-Übermittlungsgesetz, VH-ÜbermG),</p> <p>Adoption: November 18th 2004, entry into force: January 1st 2005.</p>	<p>BGBl I 128/2004</p>	<p>http://www.ris.bka.gv.at/Dokument/e/BgblAuth/BGBLA_2004_I_128/BGBLA_2004_I_128.pdf</p>

	Act of 1 August 1895, on the court proceedings in civil litigation (Code of Civil Procedure - CCP), August 1 st 1895, as amended, Gesetz vom 1. August 1895, über das gerichtliche Verfahren in bürgerlichen Rechtsstreitigkeiten (Zivilprozessordnung - ZPO)	BGBI I 128/2004	http://www.ris.bka.gv.at/Dokument/e/BgblAuth/BGBLA_2004_I_128/BGBLA_2004_I_128.pdf
BE	Act 1998-11-23/34 on legal aid L 1998-11-23/34 relative à l'aide juridique	Official Journal 22/12/1998	http://www.ejustice.just.fgov.be/loi/loi.htm
	Act 2006-06/15/52 amending the Legal Code L2006-06-15/52 modifiant le Code judiciaire en ce qui concerne l'aide judiciaire.	Official Journal 15/02/2007	http://www.ejustice.just.fgov.be/loi/loi.htm
BG	Chapter 8 of the Law on Legal Aid, Adoption: 04.10.2005, entry into force: 01.01.2007 Нормативна база, Закон за правната помощ, В сила от 01.01.2006 г.	State Gazette issue No. 79 of 04.10.2005,	http://www.nbpp.government.bg/reg/laws.php?page=49&root=laws
CY	Law 165(I)/2002 on Legal Aid, 9.8.2002	E.E. I(I) Nr. 3629, 9.8.2002	http://www.mlsi.gov.cy/mlsi/sws/sws.nsf/All/67415D83F3797961C2256E5A002FAF24/\$file/Legal%20Assistance%20Law%202002.pdf?OpenElement
	Procedural Regulation of 2003 on Legal Aid	2003 Παρ. II(I) p.1	
	Procedural Regulation) of 2007 on Legal Aid (as amended	2007 Παρ. II(I), p.13	

	Procedural Regulation of 2008 on Legal Aid(as amended)	2007 Παρ. II(I), p.114	
CZ	Act No. 629/2004 Coll. of 11 th November 2004 on the provision of legal aid in cross-border disputes in the European Union	Published in the Collection of Laws of the Czech Republic for year 2004 on pages 11393	http://aplikace.mvcr.cz/archiv2008/sbirka/2004/sb213-04.pdf
	Act No. 85/1996 Coll. of 13 th March 1996 on the Legal Profession	Published in the Collection of Laws of the Czech Republic for year 1996 on pages 1002	http://aplikace.mvcr.cz/archiv2008/sbirka/1996/sb29-96.pdf http://www.cak.cz/assets/act-on-legal-profession_2009_aktualni-podoba.doc
	Act No. 634/2004 Coll. of 26 th November 2004 on Administrative Fees	Published in the Collection of Laws of the Czech Republic for year 2004 on pages 11415	http://aplikace.mvcr.cz/archiv2008/sbirka/2004/sb215-04.pdf
	Act No. 2/1969 Coll. of 8 th January 1969 on Establishment of Ministries and other central bodies of state administration of the Czech Republic	Published in the Collection of Laws of the Czech Republic for year 1969 on pages 16	http://aplikace.mvcr.cz/archiv2008/sbirka/1969/sb01-69.pdf
	Act No. 99/1963 Coll. of 4 th December 1963, Civil Procedure Code	Published in the Collection of Laws of the Czech Republic for	http://aplikace.mvcr.cz/archiv2008/sbirka/1963/sb56-63.pdf

		year 1963 on pages 383	
	Act No. 500/2004 Coll. of 14 th 4th December 1963, Administrative Procedure Code	Published in the Collection of Laws of the Czech Republic for year 2000 on pages 9782	http://aplikace.mvcr.cz/archiv2008/sbirka/2004/sb174-04.pdf
	Notice No. 110/2000 Coll. Int. Conv., European Agreement on the Transmission of Applications for Legal Aid	Published in the Collection of International Conventions of the Czech Republic for year 2000 on pages 1849	http://aplikace.mvcr.cz/archiv2008/sbirka/2000/sb048-00m.pdf
	Notice No. 58/2001 Coll. Int. Conv., Convention on International Access to Justice	Published in the Collection of International Conventions of the Czech Republic for year 2001 on pages 893	http://aplikace.mvcr.cz/archiv2008/sbirka/2001/sb023-01m.pdf
DE	Law on EC Legal Aid: “Law implementing Community Law provisions on cross-border legal aid in civil and commercial matters in the Member States” Adopted: 15 December 2004, entered into force on 21 December 2004	Federal Law Gazette „Bundesgesetzblatt“, Part 1, 2004, p. 3392 et. seqq.	http://ec.europa.eu/justice_home/judicialatlascivil/html/pdf/national_la_w_la_ger_de.pdf
EE	State Legal Aid Act, entered into force 1 March 2005, same	State Gazette I 2004,	In Estonian language -

	provisions entered into force 30 November 2004 and 30 May 2006 ¹	56, 403	https://www.riigiteataja.ee/akt/13259148 (official site) In English - http://www.legaltext.ee/et/andmebaas/tekst.asp?loc=text&dok=X30066K2&keel=en&pg=1&ptyyp=RT&tyyp=X&query=riigi+%F5igusabi (unofficial site)
EL	Law No 3226/2004, Grant of legal aid to low revenue citizens and other provisions, adoption 4/2/2004, in force on 4/2/2004, (date of publication in the Official Gazette) unless art. 10 which is in force on 30/11/2004	ΦΥΛΛΟ ΕΦΗΜΕΡΙΔΑΣ ΤΗΣ ΚΥΒΕΡΝΗΣΗΣ (ΦΕΚ), No 24, Volume A, 4/2/2004, page 593-600	http://www.et.gr (Official Gazette site)
ES	Law 16/2005 of July 18 amending the Law 1 / 1996 of January 1 on free legal assistance in relation to cross-border disputes in civil and commercial matters in the European Union Ley 16/2005, de 18 de julio, por la que se modifica la Ley 1/1996, de 10 de enero, de asistencia jurídica gratuita, para regular las especialidades de los litigios transfronterizos civiles y mercantiles en la Unión Europea.		http://www.boe.es/diario_borme/
FI	Legal Aid Act, Oikeusapulaki (257/2002), date of adoption 5 April 2002, entry into force 1 June 2002	Statutes of Finland (Suomen Säädöskokoelma)	http://www.finlex.fi/fi/laki/ajantasa/2002/20020257?search%5Btype%5D=pika&search%5Bpika%5D=oike

¹ According to State Legal Aid Act § 49 article 2 - Sections 33-35 of this Act enter into force on 30 November 2004, except in the part where state legal aid is applied for in extrajudicial proceedings. This Act applies to application for state legal aid in extrajudicial proceedings in international disputes as of 30 May 2006.

		257/2002, page 729	usapulaki Translation http://www.finlex.fi/fi/laki/kaannokset/2002/en20020257.pdf
	Act on Amendment of the Legal Aid Act (972/2004), Laki oikeusapulain muuttamisesta, date of adoption 19 November 2004, entry into force 30 November 2004	Statutes of Finland 972/2004, page 2665	http://www.finlex.fi/fi/laki/kokoelma/2004/20040147.pdf
	Government Decree on Legal Aid (388/2002), Valtioneuvoston asetus oikeusavusta, date of adoption 23 May 2002, entry into force 1 June 2002	Statutes of Finland 388/2002, page 2900	http://www.finlex.fi/fi/laki/kokoelma/2002/20020064.pdf Translation: http://www.finlex.fi/fi/laki/kaannokset/2002/en20020388.pdf
	Government Decree on Amendment of the Government Decree of Legal Aid (997/2004), Valtioneuvoston asetus oikeusavusta annetun asetuksen muuttamisesta, date of adoption 25 November 2004, entry into force 30 November 2004	Statutes of Finland 997/2004, page 2705	http://www.finlex.fi/fi/laki/kokoelma/2004/20040150.pdf
	Administrative Procedure Act (434/2003), Hallintolaki, date of adoption 6 June 2003, entry into force 1 January 2004	Statutes of Finland 434/2003, page 2023	http://www.finlex.fi/fi/laki/kokoelma/2003/20030073.pdf Translation http://www.finlex.fi/fi/laki/kaannokset/2003/en20030434.pdf

	Code of Judicial Procedure (4/1734), Oikeudenkäymiskaari, date of adoption 1 January 1734		http://www.finlex.fi/fi/laki/ajantasa/1734/17340004000?search%5Btype%5D=pika&search%5Bpika%5D=oikeudenk%C3%A4ymiskaari Translation http://www.finlex.fi/fi/laki/kaannokset/1734/en17340004.pdf
	Population Information Act (661/2009), Laki Väestötietojärjestelmästä ja Väestörekisterikeskuksen varmennepalveluista, date of adoption 21 August 2009, entry into force 1 March 2010	Statutes of Finland 661/2009, page 4157	http://www.finlex.fi/fi/laki/kokoelma/2009/20090099.pdf
	Aliens Act (301/2004), date of adoption 30 April 2004, entry into force 1 May 2004	Statutes of Finland 301/2004, page 849	http://www.finlex.fi/fi/laki/ajantasa/2004/20040301 Translation http://www.finlex.fi/fi/laki/kaannokset/2004/en20040301.pdf
	Act on Amendment of the Legal Aid Act (927/2008), Laki oikeusapulain muuttamisesta, date of adoption 19 December 2008, entry into force 1 December 2009	Statutes of Finland 927/2008, page 2885	http://www.finlex.fi/fi/laki/kokoelma/2008/20080150.pdf
	Government Decree on Amendment of Section 26 of the Governmnet Decree on Legal Aid (1208/2005), Valtioneuvoston asetus oikeusavustannetun asetuksen 26 § :n muuttamisesta, date of adoption 29 December 2005, entry into force 1 January 2006	Statutes of Finland, 1208/2005, page 5283	http://www.finlex.fi/fi/laki/kokoelma/2005/20050198.pdf

	Government Decree on Amendment of the Government Decree on Legal Aid (867/2007), Valtioneuvoston asetus oikeusavusta annetun asetuksen muuttamiseksi, date of adoption 27 September 2007, entry into force 1 January 2008	Statutes of Finland 867/2007, page 3879	http://www.finlex.fi/fi/laki/kokoelma/2007/20070135.pdf
	Government Decree on Amendment of the Government Decree on Legal Aid (1008/2009), Valtioneuvoston asetus oikeusavusta annetun asetuksen muuttamiseksi, date of adoption 3 December 2009, entry into force 1 January 2010	Statutes of Finland 1008/2009, page 5062	http://www.finlex.fi/fi/laki/kokoelma/2009/20090144.pdf
	Act on State Legal Aid Offices (258/2002), Laki valtion oikeusaputoimistoista, date of adoption 5 April 2002, entry into force 1 June 2002	Statutes of Finland 258/2002, page 739	http://www.finlex.fi/fi/laki/kokoelma/2002/20020041.pdf http://www.finlex.fi/fi/laki/ajantasa/2002/20020258
	Code of Inheritance (40/1965), Perintökaari, date of adoption 5 February 1965	Statutes of Finland 65/1965	http://www.finlex.fi/fi/laki/ajantasa/1965/19650040?search%5Btype%5D=pika&search%5Bpika%5D=perint%C3%B6kaari Translation http://www.finlex.fi/fi/laki/kaannokset/1965/en19650040.pdf
	Marriage Act (234/1929), Avioliittolaki, date of adoption 13 June 1929	Statutes of Finland 234/1929	http://www.finlex.fi/fi/laki/ajantasa/1929/19290234?search%5Btype%5D=pika&search%5Bpika%5D=avioliittolaki

			Translation http://www.finlex.fi/fi/laki/kaannokset/1929/en19290234.pdf
	State Compensation for Witnesses Act (666/1972), Laki valtion varoista maksettavista todistelukustannuksista, date of adoption 15 September 1972, entry into force 1 January 1973	Statutes of Finland 666/1972	http://www.finlex.fi/fi/laki/ajantasa/1972/19720666 Translation available on request from the Ministry of Justice law.translations@om.fi
	Decree on State Compensation for Witnesses (813/1972), Asetus valtion varoista maksettavista todistelukustannuksista, date of adoption 15 December 1972, entry into force 1 January 1973	Statutes of Finland 813/1972	http://www.finlex.fi/fi/laki/ajantasa/1972/19720813
FR	Law nr 91-647 of 10 July 1991 on legal aid Loi n° 91-647 du 10 juillet 1991 relative à l'aide juridique	OJ 13/07/1991, p.09170	www.legifrance.fr
	Decree No. 91-1266 of 19 December 1991 on the legal aid Décret n°91-1266 du 19 décembre 1991 relatif à l'aide juridique	OJ 20/12/1991	www.legifrance.fr
	Act No. 98-1035 of 18 December 1998 on access to law and amicable resolution of conflicts Loi n° 98-1035 du 18 décembre 1998 relative à l'accès au droit et la résolution amiable de conflits	OJ 22/12/1998, p.19343	www.legifrance.fr

	<p>Act No. 2005-750 of 4 July 2005 containing various provisions for adaptation to Community law in the field of justice</p> <p>Loi n° 2005-750 du 4 juillet 2005 portant diverses dispositions d'adaptation au droit communautaire dans le domaine de la justice</p>	OJ 06/07/2005	www.legifrance.fr
	<p>Decree No. 2005-1470 of 29 November 2005 on legal aid granted in cross-border disputes in civil and commercial and amending Decree No. 91-1266 of 19 December 1991</p> <p>Décret n°2005-1470 du 29 novembre 2005 relatif à l'aide juridictionnelle accordée dans les litiges transfrontaliers en matière civile et commercial et modifiant le décret n° 91-1266 du 19 décembre 1991</p>	OJ 30/11/2005	www.legifrance.fr
	<p>Ordinance No. 2005-1526 of 8 December 2005 amending the Law 91-647 of 10 July 1991 on legal aid</p> <p>Ordonnance n° 2005-1526 du 8 décembre 2005 modifiant la loi 91-647 du 10 juillet 1991 relative à l'aide juridique</p>	OJ 09/12/2005	www.legifrance.fr
	<p>Act No. 2006-911 relating to immigration and integration of July 24, 2006</p> <p>Loi n° 2006-911 relative à l'immigration et à l'intégration du 24 juillet 2006</p>	OJ 25/07/2006	www.legifrance.fr
	<p>Act No. 2007-210 of 19 February 2007 to reform the legal expenses insurance</p> <p>Loi n° 2007-210 du 19 février 2007 portant réforme de</p>	OJ 21/02/2007	www.legifrance.fr

	l'assurance de protection juridique		
	Law No. 2007-1631 of 20 November 2007 on the control of immigration, integration and asylum Loi n° 2007-1631 du 20 novembre 2007 relative à la maîtrise de l'immigration, à l'intégration et à l'asile	OJ 21/11/2007	www.legifrance.fr
HU	Act LXXX of 2003 on Legal Aid of 20.10.2003, entry into force on 1 April 2004 2003. évi LXXX. törvény a jogi segítségnyújtásról	Magyar Közlöny (Official Journal) 2003/127 (XI.6.) 2003	http://www.complex.hu/jr/gen/hjeg_y_doc.cgi?docid=A0300080.TV http://ec.europa.eu/ewsi/UDRW/images/items/docl_15650_294267511.pdf
	Ministerial Decree No 56/2007 (XII.22.) of the Minister of Justice on the detailed rules of having recourse to legal aid, 22 December 2007, entered into force on 1 January 2008 56/2007. (XII.22.) Irm rendelet a jogi segítségnyújtás igénybevételének részletes szabályairól	Magyar Közlöny (Official Journal) 2007/181 (XII.22.), 2007	http://www.complex.hu/jr/gen/hjeg_y_doc.cgi?docid=A0700056.IRM
	Act III of 1952 on the Code of Civil Procedure, 06 June 1952, entered into force on 1 January 1953 (1952. évi III. törvény a polgári perrendtartásról)	Magyar Közlöny (Official Journal) 1952/48 (VI.06.), 1952	http://www.complex.hu/jr/gen/hjeg_y_doc.cgi?docid=95200003.TV
	Governmental Decree No 322/2010 (XII.27.) on probation officers and organs providing, legal aid service, help for victims and compensation for victims, 27 December 2010, entered into force on 1 January 2011	Magyar Közlöny (Official Journal) 2010/198. (XII.27.), 2010	http://www.complex.hu/jr/gen/hjeg_y_doc.cgi?docid=A1000322.KOR

	(322/2010. (XII. 27.) Kormány rendelet a pártfogó felügyelői, jogi segítségnyújtási, áldozatsegítési és kárpótlási feladatokat ellátó szervekről)		
	Act XX of 1949 Constitution of the Hungarian Republic, 20 August 1949, entered into force on 20 August 1949 (949. évi XX. törvény a Magyar Köztársaság Alkotmánya)		http://www.complex.hu/jr/gen/hjegy_doc.cgi?docid=94900020.TV http://ec.europa.eu/ewsi/UDRW/images/items/docl_9836_634079862.doc
IE	Civil Legal Aid Act 1995 Published on 16 December 1995 and commenced on 11 October 1996 (pursuant to the Civil Legal Aid Act 1995 (Commencement) Order 1996)	No. 32 of 1995	1995 Act Commencement Order
	Civil Legal Aid Regulations 1996 Published on 17 September 1996 and commenced on 11 October 1996	S.I. No. 276 of 1996	1996 Regulations
	Civil Legal Aid (Refugee Legal Service) Order 1999 Published and commenced on 29 March 1999	S.I. No. 74 of 1999	1999 Order
	Civil Legal Aid (Refugee Legal Service) (No. 2) Order 1999 Published and commenced on 4 August 1999	S.I. No. 262 of 1999	1999 Order (No. 2)
	The Civil Legal Aid Regulations 2002	S.I. No. 8 of 2002	2002 Regulations

	Published and commenced on 16 January 2002		
	Civil Legal Aid (Refugee Appeals Tribunal) Order 2005 Published on 21 November 2005 and commenced on 1 December 2005	S.I. No. 730 of 2005	2005 Order
	Civil Legal Aid Regulations 2006 Published on 28 August 2006 and commenced on 1 September 2006	S.I. No. 460 of 2006	2006 Regulations
IT	Legislative Decree n.116 of 27/5/2005 "Implementation of Directive 2003/8/EC to improve access to justice in cross-border disputes by establishing minimum common rules relating to legal aid for such disputes" Decreto Legislativo n.116 del 27/5/2005 « Attuazione della direttiva 2003/8/CE intesa a migliorare l'accesso alla giustizia nelle controversie transfrontaliere attraverso la definizione di norme minime comuni relative al patrocinio a spese dello Stato in tali controversie »	Gazzetta Ufficiale, Serie Generale, n. 151 del 1/7/2005, pag. 8	http://www.gazzettaufficiale.it/
LT	Law of the republic of Lithuania amending the law on state-guaranteed legal aid n°X-78 of 20 January 2005	Official Gazette 2000, n° 30-827;2001 n° 71-2521; 2003, n° 38-1722,n° 123-5584	
LV	The legal norms arising from Council Directive 2002/8/EC of 27 January 2003 to improve access to justice in cross-border disputes by establishing minimum common rules relating to legal aid for	"Latvijas Vēstnesis", 52 (3210), 01.04.2005.; Ziņotājs, 8, 28.04.2005.	http://www.vvc.gov.lv/export/sites/default/docs/LRTA/Likumi/State_Ensured_Legal_Aid_Law.doc

	such disputes have been included in this Law. State Ensured Legal Aid Law, has been adopted by the Saeima on 17 March 2005, came into force on 1 June 2005.	"Latvijas Vēstnesis", 178 (4370), 10.11.2010.	http://www.likumi.lv/doc.php?id=104831&version_date=01.01.2011
	Chapter IV' Legal aid in cross-border disputes, Section 14 of 12.06.2009, entered into force on 01.07.2009	"Latvijas Vēstnesis", 97 (4083), 26.06.2009.	http://www.vvc.gov.lv/export/sites/default/docs/LRTA/Likumi/State_Ensured_Legal_Aid_Law.doc http://www.likumi.lv/doc.php?id=104831&version_date=01.01.2011
LU	Law of 10 August 1991 on the Legal Profession Loi du 10 août 1991 sur la profession d'avocat	Mémorial A N° 58 de 1991	http://www.legilux.public.lu/leg/a/archives/1991/0058/1991A11101.html
	Regulation of 18 September 1995 on legal aid Règlement grand ducal du 18 septembre 1995 concernant l'assistance judiciaire	Mémorial A N° 81 de 1995	http://www.legilux.public.lu/leg/a/archives/1995/0081/1995A19131.html
	Regulation of 29 October 2004 amending the Grand Ducal Regulation of 18 September 1995 on legal aid Règlement grand ducal du 29 octobre 2004 portant modification du règlement grand ducal du 18 septembre 1995 concernant l'assistance judiciaire	Au Mémorial A n° 188 du 29.11.2004	http://www.legilux.public.lu/leg/a/archives/2004/0188/index.html
	Ministerial Regulation of 16 November 1976 establishing a reception and Legal Information	Mémorial A N° 74 de 1976	http://www.legilux.public.lu/leg/search/index.php?query=all&include=&exclude=&dt=0&in_year=&search

	Règlement ministérielle du 16 novembre 1976 portant institution d'un service d'accueil et d'information juridique		hDate=date&from_day=15&from_month=11&from_year=1976&to_day=30&to_month=11&to_year=1976&count=0&sort=0&search.x=14&search.y=7&page=1
MT	Law with the Legal notice n°342 of 2005 which is referred to as: "Code of Organization and Civil Procedure (Amendment) Order, 2005" (hereinafter referred to as COCP (Amendment) Order, 2005).		
NL	Law on legal aid dated 19.02.2005	SG-GREFFE(2005)D200554)	http://www.overheid.nl/
PL	Act on the Right to Assistance in Civil Proceedings Performed in Member States of the European Union and the Right to Assistance to Settle a Dispute Amicably Before the Initiation of Such Proceedings, dated 17 December 2004, entered into force on 1 February 2005. Ustawa o prawie pomocy w postępowaniu w sprawach cywilnych prowadzonym w państwach członkowskich Unii Europejskiej oraz o prawie pomocy w celu ugodowego załatwienia sporu przed wszczęciem takiego postępowania	Journal of Laws of the Republic of Poland 2005 No. 10 item 67; amendment to the act : Journal of Laws of the Republic of Poland 2006 No. 120 item 824	http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU20050100067 http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU20061200824+2006%2407%2421&min=1
	Code of Civil Procedure, 17 November 1964, entered into force 1 January 1965. Ustawa z dnia 17 listopada 1964 r. - Kodeks postępowania cywilnego.	Journal of Laws of the Republic of Poland 1964 No. 43 item 296 with amendments	http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU19640430296

	Act on Court Costs in Civil Cases of 28 July 2005, entered into force 2 March 2006 Ustawa o kosztach sądowych w sprawach cywilnych z dnia 28 lipca 2005 roku.	Journal of Laws of the Republic of Poland 2005, No. 167, item 1398 with amendments	http://isip.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU20051671398
PT	Law No 34/2004 of 29 July 2004 amending the rules on access to the law and to the courts and transposing into national legislation Council Directive 2003/8/EC of 27 January 2003 to improve access to justice in cross-border disputes by establishing minimum common rules relating to legal aid for such disputes, entry into force 1 September 2004	4802 DIÁRIO DA REPÚBLICA— I SÉRIE-A N.o 177 — 29 de Julho de 2004	http://dre.pt/
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	<p><i>pomoči</i>)</p> <p>Adopted on April 22, 2004, entered into force on May 21, 2004.</p>	<p>Republic of Slovenia no. 50/2004, published on May 6, 2004, pp. 6703 – 6706.</p>	<p>list.si/1/objava.jsp?urlid=200450&stevilka=2293</p>
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	<p>Courts Act (« ZS », <i>Zakon o sodiščih</i>, as amended)²</p>	<p>Official Gazette of the Republic of Slovenia no. 94/2007, published on October 16, 2007, pp. 12651 – 12669.</p>	<p>http://www.uradni-list.si/1/objava.jsp?urlid=200794&stevilka=4686</p>
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	Adopted on October 26, 2007, entered into force on January 1, 2007.		
	General Administrative Procedure Act («ZUP», <i>Zakon o splošnem upravnem postopku</i> , as amended) ³	Official Gazette of the Republic of Slovenia no. 24/2006, published on March 7, 2006, pp. 2477 – 2513.	http://www.uradni-list.si/1/objava.jsp?urlid=200624&stevilka=970
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