



Ad-Hoc Query on residence permits cards and stickers

Requested by SE EMN NCP on 9th April 2014

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Responses from Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Slovak Republic, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, United Kingdom plus Norway (23 in Total)

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1. Background Information

On the basis of Council Regulation (EC) No 380/2008 of 18 April 2008 amending Regulation (EC) No 1030/2002 laying down a uniform format for residence permits for third-country nationals, Sweden introduced so-called Residence Permit Cards on 20 May 2011. Since that date, Sweden has been issuing all its residence permits to third country nationals in the form of a card. Residence permits in the form of a sticker that were previously issued ceased to be issued on 20 May 2011, and stickers already issued will cease to be valid on 20 May 2015.






To compare the Swedish practice with practice in other EU Member States and Norway, the Swedish Migration Board would like to ask the following questions:

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1. Do you issue residence permits in the form of a sticker?
2. If so, to whom/what type of residence permits is it issued?
3. If so, when do you plan to cease doing so?

We would like the answers before **the 7th of May** if possible!

2. Responses




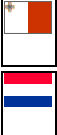



		Wider Dissemination?	
	Austria	No	This EMN NCP has provided a response to the requesting EMN NCP. However, they have requested that it is not disseminated further.
	Belgium	Yes	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Belgium has never issued residence permits in the form of stickers. 2. Not applicable 3. Not applicable
	Bulgaria	Yes	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. No 2. Not applicable 3. Not applicable
	Czech Republic	Yes	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. No 2. Not applicable 3. Not applicable
	Estonia	Yes	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. No, Estonia finished issuing residence stickers since 01.01.2011.

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			<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. No 3. No
	Finland	Yes	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. No. Since 1st of January 2012, Finland only issues residence permit cards. 2. – 3. Please see question 1.
	France	Yes	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. No. France has not issued residence permits in the form of a sticker since 1 January 2006. 2. Not applicable 3. Not applicable
	Germany	Yes	No. Since 1 September 2011, all residence permits (with the exception of the visa) are generally issued and extended as a separate document in credit card format with electronic memory and processing medium (as a chip card). Only if the residence permit is to be renewed for only a month or if this is necessary to avoid exceptional hardness, instead of this format the residence permit can be issued following the uniform model form.
	Greece	Yes	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Do you issue residence permits in the form of a sticker? Yes 2. If so, to whom/what type of residence permits is it issued? To all types of residence permits valid for a period more than six months. 3. If so, when do you plan to cease doing so? In the next few months, as some technical issues that are at a final stage of implementation, are still pending.
	Hungary	Yes	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. No 2. Not applicable 3. Not applicable







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	Latvia	Yes	Latvia has started issuing residence permits in the form of eID card since 2 nd April 2012. Sticker-form permits are being used only for the purpose of local border traffic permits – to citizens of Russia and Belorussia, residing in border area (according to the Regulation 1931/2006). These permits do not allow their holders to travel within the Schengen area, except of the border area of Latvia. It is planned to use all stock of the permits, it could take appr. 3 more years. Previously issued regular permits in the form of stickers will expire until 31 st March 2017 at the latest.
	Lithuania	Yes	1. No 2. Not applicable 3. Not applicable
	Luxembourg	Yes	1. No 2. Not applicable 3. Not applicable
	Malta	Yes	Malta no longer issues residence permits in the form of a sticker since January 2013.
	Netherlands	Yes	The Netherlands do not use stickers.
	Poland	Yes	1. No 2. Not applicable 3. Not applicable
	Portugal	Yes	1. No 2. Not applicable. 3. Not applicable.

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	Slovak Republic	Yes	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. No 2. Not applicable 3. Not applicable
	Slovenia	Yes	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. No. According to the Alien Act holders of the residence permits issued before date 20th May 2011 in a form of sticker with validity longer than this date (after 20th May 2011) were obliged to change their residence permit in a form of card up to 18th May 2013. 2. Not applicable 3. Not applicable
	Spain	Yes	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. No 2. Not applicable 3. Not applicable
	Sweden	Yes	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. No 2. Not applicable 3. Not applicable
	United Kingdom	Yes	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. No, the UK does not issue residence permits in the form of a sticker. 2. Not applicable 3. Not applicable
	Norway	Yes	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. No 2. n.a.

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