Electronic Identity Card - eID

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ID card is an identification document of BiH nationals. The issuance of electronic identity cards has started from 1st March 2013, in accordance with the Law on Identity Cards of Citizens of Bosnia and Herzegovina (“Official Gazette of BiH” Nos: [32/01](https://www.iddeea.gov.ba/images/stories/PDF/laws/law_on_national_identity_card.pdf), [16/02](https://www.iddeea.gov.ba/images/stories/PDF/laws/decision_imposing_the_law_on_amendments_to_the_law_on_identity_cards_of_citizens_of_bosnia_and_herzegovina.pdf), [56/08](https://www.iddeea.gov.ba/images/stories/PDF/laws/law_on_amendments_to_the_law_on_identity_cards_of_bih_nationals.pdf), [53/07](https://www.iddeea.gov.ba/images/stories/PDF/laws/decision_enacting_the_law_on_amendments.pdf), [32/07](https://www.iddeea.gov.ba/images/stories/PDF/laws/adoption_of_the_law_on_id_cards_23-07.pdf), [18/12](https://www.iddeea.gov.ba/images/stories/PDF/laws/law%20on%20amendments%20to%20the%20law%20on%20identity%20cards%20of%20bih%20nationals_18-12_eng.pdf)).

Issuance, annulment and replacement of ID cards within the framework of their responsibilities is carried out by the Cantonal Ministries of Interior in Federation of BiH, Ministry of Interior in Republic of Srpska and the competent authority in Brcko District  that functionally acts as a state institution, according to the place of residence of BiH nationals.

ID card is a public document by which the identity, place and date of birth, temporary residence or permanent residence for displaced persons and citizenship of BiH are proved.

BiH  can use their ID cards to cross the state border in certain circumstances and when BiH has a bilateral agreement with another state.

                    

**HIGHEST SECURITY MEASURES FOR CITIZEN IDENTIFICATION**

The new BiH  eID card provides the highest security for the personal data of each citizen. By using different kinds of security elements everyone can verify the validity of the document. The elements can be verifi ed by different senses or by using devices.

**NEWEST TECHNOLOGY OF IDENTIFICATION**

Bosnia and Herzegovina is issuing new  eID card for citizens. The image of the holder is personalized with newest technology for color images of identification documents. All information of the holder, such as name, place and date of birth and a special machine readable zone are engraved by a laser system. In addition all holder information are stored by an chip module in a digital, high secure way. The chip module and an antenna is inside the card body.

**SECURITY ELEMENTS OF  eID CARD**

 

**1. SECURITY BACKGROUND**- The background consist of special security elements such as fine lines, microtext or unique art elements.

**2. ULTRA VIOLET FLUORESCENT IMAGE**- A special security element which consists of fine lines and microtext becomes visible in yellow glowing by viewing the card under UV light.

**3. HOLOGRAPHIC ELEMENT** - This element overlaps the portrait image and changes its appearance by changing the viewing angle.

**4. SURFACE EMBOSSING**- A pattern of stars and microtext is perceptibly embossed into the card front side.

**5. GHOST IMAGE (SECONDARY IMAGE)**- The secondary semi-transparent holder’s image is protected by security background and surface embossing.

**6. COLOR SHIFTING** - A special color in shape of a triangle changes from magenta to green depending on the viewing angle.

**7. RAINBOW PRINTING** - The color of the background design changes smoothly from yellow to grey.

**8. TACTILE EMBOSSED DATE OF EXPIRY**- The date of expiry can be felt by touch. It seems that the number is embossed.

Brochure on electronic identity card is available [here](https://www.iddeea.gov.ba/images/stories/PDF/Brosure/eLK_brosura.pdf).