Identity Card

ID card is an identification document of BiH nationals. It is issued in its present form since 2003, in accordance with the Law on Identity Cards of Bosnia and Herzegovina nationals („Official Gazette of BiH“No. [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)).

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

ID card of BiH is built by multilayered technology, from white and transparent polycarbonate material in the shape of a card, format 86x54mm, thickness of 0.81mm (format ID 1) with ingredients of yellow-ocher and grey in its brighter tone.

This is a machine-readable document, in which the holder’s data are personalized with laser engraving technique.

**Protective elements in ID card BiH**

1. Polycarbonate card;

2. Numbering (2 numbers + 3 letters + 4 numbers on the front page, printed with laser engraving technique);

3. Optically variable elements on the front page;

4. Embossed validity date and the inscription BiH on the front page ;

5. OVI element on the back page.



