

**Contracting States of the Hague Child Abduction Convention, the Hague Child Protection Convention
and the European Custody Convention
with date of entry into force in relation to Germany**

Explanations:

E	Reservation pursuant to Article 24 subsection 2 of the 1980 Hague Convention, Article 54 subsection 2 of the 1996 Hague Child Protection Convention or Article 6 subsection 3 of the European Custody Convention against the (subsidiary) use of English
F	Reservation pursuant to Article 24 subsection 2 of the 1980 Hague Convention, Article 54 subsection 2 of the 1996 Hague Child Protection Convention or Article 6 subsection 3 of the European Custody Convention against the (subsidiary) use of French
*	Reservation pursuant to Article 26 subsection 3 of the 1980 Hague Convention (assumption of costs only insofar as such costs are covered by the system of legal aid and advice of the State concerned)
**	Entry into force for Montenegro following the dissolution of the State Union of Serbia and Montenegro. Before, the Convention had applied to the Union since 1 May 2002 (BGBl. 2002 II 2844).
Art. 17 (ECC)	Extension of some or all grounds for refusal of recognition set out in Article 10 of the European Custody Convention to cases covered by Articles 8 and 9 of the Convention

Reservations and declarations pursuant to the 1996 Hague Child Protection Convention:

For further details see www.hcch.net – „Welcome“ – „Conventions“ – „No. 34“ – „Status chart“.

Art. 23, 26, 52	These States will recognise and enforce decisions from other EU Member States pursuant to the relevant rules of EU law (i.e. the Brussels II a-Regulation prevails over the 1996 Convention in this respect).
Art. 34	Requests under Art. 34 subsection 1 shall be communicated to the authorities of the requested State only through its Central Authority.
Art. 40	This State issues a certificate under Art. 40 indicating the capacities and powers of a person. Designation of competent authorities.
Art. 44	This State has designated the authorities to which requests under Articles 8 and 9 (cross-border transfer of jurisdiction) and Art. 33 (cross-border placement of children) are to be addressed.
Art. 52	Declaration concerning the relationship with other instruments
Art. 55	This State has reserved the jurisdiction of its authorities to take measures directed to the protection of property situated on its territory and/or the right not to recognise any parental responsibility or measure in so far as it is incompatible with any measure taken by its authority in relation to that property.
BGBl.	Bundesgesetzblatt (Federal Law Gazette)

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State	Hague Child Abduction Convention	Reservations	Hague Child Protection Convention	Declarations, Notifications and Reservations	European Custody Convention	Reservations
Albania	1 October 2007 BGBl. 2008 II 56	*	1 January 2011 BGBl. 2010 II 1527	Art. 34 Art. 55		
Andorra	1 September 2011 BGBl. 2011 II 1178	E, *			1 July 2011 BGBl. 2011 II 622	Art. 17 E
Argentina	1 June 1991 BGBl. 1991 II 911 BGBl. 1999 II 355					
Armenia	1 October 2009 BGBl. 2010 II 101	F, *	1 January 2011 BGBl. 2010 II 1527	Art. 34 Art. 55 F		
Australia	1 December 1990 BGBl. 1991 II 329		1 January 2011 BGBl. 2010 II 1527			
Austria	1 December 1990 BGBl. 1991 II 329		1 April 2011 BGBl. 2011 II 842 BGBl. 2012 II 465	Art. 44 Art. 23, 26, 52 Art. 52 F	1 February 1991 BGBl. 1991 II 392	
Bahamas	1 May 1994 BGBl. 1994 II 1432					
Barbados			1 May 2020 BGBl. 2020 II 460			
Belarus	1 February 1999 BGBl. 1999 II 355	*				

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Belgium	1 May 1999 BGBl. 1999 II 434		1 September 2014 BGBl. 2014 II 526 BGBl. 2015 II 60	Art. 34 Art. 44 Art. 23, 26, 52	1 February 1991 BGBl. 1991 II 392	
Belize	1 December 1990 BGBl. 1991 II 329	F, *				
Bolivia	1 October 2022 BGBl. 2022 II 462					
Bosnia and Herzegovina	1 December 1991 BGBl. 1993 II 2169 BGBl. 1994 II 1432 BGBl. 1997 II 1586 BGBl. 2003 II 1556					
Brazil	1 May 2002 BGBl. 2002 II 1903	E, F				
Bulgaria	1 December 2004 BGBl. 2008 II 56	*	1 January 2011 BGBl. 2010 II 1527	Art. 34 Art. 23, 26, 52 Art. 55	1 October 2003 BGBl. 2003 II 1543	Art. 17 E,F (only on the basis of reciprocity)
Burkina Faso	1 January 1993 BGBl. 1993 II 748					
Cape Verde			1 August 2023 BGBl. 2022 II 629			

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Canada	1 December 1990 BGBl. 1991 II 329 BGBl. 2001 II 861	Alberta* Brit. Columbia* New Brunswick* Newfoundland & Labrador* Northwest Terr.* Nova Scotia* Nunavut* Ontario* Prince Edward Island* Quebec E (except where English is original language of document)* Saskatchewan* Yukon*				
Chile	1 June 1995 BGBl. 1995 II 485					
China <u>only</u> Hongkong SAR	1 September 1997 BGBl. 1998 II 317 BGBl. 2003 II 583	*				
<u>only</u> Macao SAR	1 March 1999 BGBl. 1999 II 355 BGBl. 2003 II 789					
Colombia	1 November 1996 BGBl. 1996 II 2756					

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Costa Rica	1 December 2007 BGBl. 2008 II 56		1 August 2021 BGBl. 2021 II 925			
Croatia	1 December 1991 BGBl. 1994 II 1432		1 January 2011 BGBl. 2010 II 1527	Art. 23, 26, 52 Art. 34 Art. 55		
Cuba			1 December 2017 BGBl. 2017 II 1344			
Cyprus	1 May 1995 BGBl. 1995 II 485		1 January 2011 BGBl. 2010 II 1527 BGBl. 2011 II 842	Art. 34 Art. 23, 26, 52 Art. 55 F	1 February 1991 BGBl. 1991 II 392	
Czechia	1 March 1998 BGBl. 1999 II 434 BGBl. 2000 II 180	*	1 January 2011 BGBl. 2010 II 1527 BGBl. 2011 II 842	Art. 34 Art. 44 Art. 23, 26, 52 Art. 52	1 July 2000 BGBl. 2001 II 871	Art. 17
Denmark (without Faroe Islands) Including Greenland	1 July 1991 BGBl. 1991 II 911 BGBl. 1992 II 19 BGBl. 2016 II 695	F, *	1 October 2011 BGBl. 2012 II 102 1 July 2016 BGBl. 2016 II 1199	Art. 34 Art. 23, 26, 52 F	1 August 1991 BGBl. 1991 II 832, 1076 BGBl. 2005 II 161 BGBl. 2016 II 503	Art. 17 F
Dominican Republic	1 April 2008 BGBl. 2008 II 274		1 January 2011 BGBl. 2010 II 1527			
Ecuador	1 September 1992 BGBl. 1993 II 748		1 January 2011 BGBl. 2010 II 1527			

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El Salvador	1 November 2002 BGBl. 2002 II 2859	E, F, *				
Estonia	1 December 2001 BGBl. 2002 II 156	F, *	1 January 2011 BGBl. 2010 II 1527	Art. 34 Art. 23, 26, 52 Art. 52 F	1 September 2001 BGBl. 2001 II 1066	F
Fiji	1 April 2008 BGBl. 2008 II 274		1 April 2019 BGBl. 2019 II 85			
Finland	1 August 1994 BGBl. 1994 II 1432 BGBl. 1998 II 317 BGBl. 2002 II 1903	F, *	1 March 2011 BGBl. 2011 II 842 BGBl. 2012 II 465	Art. 23, 26, 52	1 August 1994 BGBl. 1994 II 3538	Art. 17 F
France (entire territory including Overseas Departments and other overseas territories)	1 December 1990 BGBl. 1991 II 329	E, *	1 February 2011 BGBl. 2011 II 842 BGBl. 2012 II 102, 465	Art. 34 Art. 23, 26, 52 Art. 52	1 February 1991 BGBl. 1991 II 392 BGBl. 1994 II 3538 BGBl. 2003 II 1920	
Georgia	1 March 1998 BGBl. 1998 II 1636		1 March 2015 BGBl. 2015 II 60	Art. 34 Art. 44 F		
Germany	1 December 1990 BGBl. 1991 II 329	*	1 January 2011 BGBl. 2010 II 1527	Art. 23, 26, 52 F	1 February 1991 BGBl. 1991 II 392 BGBl. 2011 II 622	Art. 17 E, F

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Greece	1 June 1993 BGBl. 1993 II 1192	F, *	1 June 2012 BGBl. 2012 II 465 BGBl. 2013 II 155	Art. 34 Art. 23, 26, 52	1 July 1993 BGBl. 1993 II 1274 BGBl. 1995 II 460	Art. 17 E, F
Guatemala	1 January 2003 BGBl. 2002 II 2859	F, *				
Guyana			1. December 2019 BGBl. 2019 II 815			
Honduras	1 August 1994 BGBl. 1994 II 1432	*	1 August 2018 BGBl. 2018 II 413			
Hungary	1 December 1990 BGBl. 1991 II 329		1 January 2011 BGBl. 2010 II 1527	Art. 34 Art. 23, 26, 52 Art. 55 F	1 June 2004 BGBl. 2004 II 570	Art. 17
Iceland	1 April 1997 BGBl. 1997 II 798	F, *			1 November 1996 BGBl. 1996 II 2539 BGBl. 2007 II 1064	Art. 17 F
Ireland	1 October 1991 BGBl. 1992 II 185		1 January 2011 BGBl. 2010 II 1527 BGBl. 2011 II 842	Art. 34 Art. 23, 26, 52	1 October 1991 BGBl. 1991 II 1076	Art. 17
Israel	1 December 1991 BGBl. 1992 II 185	*				

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Italy	1 May 1995 BGBl. 1995 II 485		1 January 2016 BGBl. 2015 II 1565	Art. 34 Art. 44 Art. 23, 26, 52 Art. 52	1 June 1995 BGBl. 1995 II 460	
Jamaica	1 October 2022 BGBl. 2022 II 462					
Japan	1 April 2014 BGBl. 2014 II 255	F, *				
Kazakhstan	1 May 2017 BGBl. 2017 II 449	*				
Latvia	1 November 2002 BGBl. 2002 II 2859 BGBl. 2003 II 1556	F	1 January 2011 BGBl. 2010 II 1527 BGBl. 2012 II 465	Art. 34 Art. 23, 26, 52 Art. 52 Art. 55 F	1 August 2002 BGBl. 2002 II 2844	F
Lesotho			1 June 2013 BGBl. 2013 II 421			
Liechtenstein					1 August 1997 BGBl. 1997 II 2136 BGBl. 2000 II 1207	Art. 17 E, F
Lithuania	1 December 2004 BGBl. 2008 II 56	F, *	1 January 2011 BGBl. 2010 II 1527	Art. 34 Art. 40 Art. 23, 26, 52 Art. 55 F	1 May 2003 BGBl. 2003 II 424	Art. 17

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Luxembourg	1 December 1990 BGBl. 1991 II 329	*	1 January 2011 BGBl. 2010 II 1527	Art. 23, 26, 52	1 February 1991 BGBl. 1991 II 392	
Malta	1 November 2002 BGBl. 2002 II 2859		1 January 2012 BGBl. 2011 II 842 BGBl. 2012 II 465	Art. 34 Art. 23, 26, 52 Art. 55 F	1 February 2000 BGBl. 2000 II 1207	Art. 17 F
Mauritius	1 December 1993 BGBl. 1994 II 1432	*				
Mexico	1 February 1992 BGBl. 1992 II 19 BGBl. 1995 II 485 BGBl. 1996 II 2756					
Moldova, Republic of	1 May 2000 BGBl. 2000 II 1566	*			1 May 2004 BGBl. 2004 II 570	
Monaco	1 July 1993 BGBl. 1994 II 1432	*	1 January 2011 BGBl. 2010 II 1527			
Montenegro	1 December 1991 BGBl. 1993 II 2169 BGBl. 2002 II 156, 1903 BGBl. 2008 II 56		1 January 2013 BGBl. 2013 II 155	Art. 34 Art. 55	6 June 2006** BGBl. 2008 II 3	
Morocco	1 October 2010 BGBl. 2010 II 1075		1 January 2011 BGBl. 2010 II 1527			

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Netherlands (for the Kingdom in Europe, the Caribbean part (Bonaire, Saint Eustatius, Saba) and Curaçao	1 December 1990 BGBl. 1991 II 329 1 February 2024 BGBl. 2023 II 342	*	1 May 2011 BGBl. 2011 II 842 BGBl. 2012 II 465	Art. 23, 26, 52 Art. 52	1 February 1991 BGBl. 1991 II 392	
New Zealand	1 February 1992 BGBl. 1992 II 19 BGBl. 1998 II 1636	F, *				
Nicaragua	1 September 2007 BGBl. 2008 II 56		1. December 2019 BGBl. 2019 II 815			
North Macedonia	1 December 1991 BGBl. 1993 II 2169 BGBl. 2008 II 56				1 March 2003 BGBl. 2003 II 424	Art. 17 E, F
Norway	1 December 1990 BGBl. 1991 II 329	F, *	1 July 2016 BGBl. 2016 II 472	Art. 34, Art. 44 F	1 February 1991 BGBl. 1991 II 392 BGBl. 1996 II 268	Art. 17 F
Panama	1 June 1995 BGBl. 1995 II 485 BGBl. 1996 II 2756	*				
Paraguay	1 December 2001 BGBl. 2002 II 156		1 July 2019 BGBl. 2019 II 303			

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Peru	1 September 2007 BGBl. 2008 II 56					
Philippines	1 April 2023 BGBl. 2023 II 462					
Poland	1 February 1993 BGBl. 1994 II 1432	*	1 January 2011 BGBl. 2010 II 1527 BGBl. 2011 II 842 BGBl. 2012 II 102 BGBl. 2013 II 155	Art. 34 Art. 23, 26, 52 Art. 52 Art. 55	1 March 1996 BGBl. 1996 II 541	Art. 17 E, F (only on the basis of reciprocity)
Portugal	1 December 1990 BGBl. 1991 II 329 BGBl. 1996 II 2756 BGBl. 1999 II 355, 732 BGBl. 2003 II 789		1 August 2011 BGBl. 2011 II 842	Art. 23, 26, 52	1 February 1991 BGBl. 1991 II 392 BGBl. 1996 II 268	
Romania	1 July 1993 BGBl. 1993 II 1192		1 January 2011 BGBl. 2010 II 1527	Art. 34 Art. 23, 26, 52 Art. 55	1 September 2004 BGBl. 2004 II 1584	Art. 17
Russia	1 April 2016 BGBl. 2016 II 235	*	1 June 2013 BGBl. 2013 II 421	Art. 34 Art. 55 F		
Saint Kitts and Nevis	1 May 1995 BGBl. 1995 II 485	*				
San Marino	1 September 2007 BGBl. 2008 II 56	*				

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Serbia	1 December 1991 BGBl. 1993 II 2169 BGBl. 2002 II 156, 1903 BGBl. 2008 II 56		1 November 2016 BGBl. 2016 II 1199	Art. 55	1 May 2002 BGBl. 2002 II 2844 BGBl. 2007 II 1064	
Seychelles	1 April 2009 BGBl. 2009 II 500					
Singapore	1 June 2011 BGBl. 2011 II 607	F, *				
Slovakia	1 February 2001 BGBl. 2001 II 861 BGBl. 2001 II 1071	*	1 January 2011 BGBl. 2010 II 1527	Art. 34 Art. 23, 26, 52 Art. 55	1 September 2001 BGBl. 2001 II 871, 1326	E, F
Slovenia	1 June 1995 BGBl. 1995 II 485		1 January 2011 BGBl. 2010 II 1527	Art. 34 Art. 23, 26, 52		
South Africa	1 February 1998 BGBl. 1998 II 317 BGBl. 1999 II 355	F, *				
Spain	1 December 1990 BGBl. 1991 II 329 BGBl. 1995 II 485 BGBl. 1999 II 552		1 January 2011 BGBl. 2010 II 1527	Art. 34 Art. 23, 26, 52 Art. 55	1 February 1991 BGBl. 1991 II 392, 668 BGBl. 1994 II 3538 BGBl. 1996 II 268 BGBl. 1999 II 492	E, F
Sri Lanka	1 January 2003 BGBl. 2003 II 31	F, *				
South Korea	1 May 2017 BGBl. 2017 II 449	F, *				

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Sweden	1 December 1990 BGBl. 1991 II 329	*	1 January 2013 BGBl. 2013 II 155	Art. 23, 26, 52 F	1 February 1991 BGBl. 1991 II 392	Art. 17
Switzerland	1 December 1990 BGBl. 1991 II 329		1 January 2011 BGBl. 2010 II 1527	Art. 55	1 February 1991 BGBl. 1991 II 392	Art. 17
Thailand	1 June 2007 BGBl. 2008 II 56	F				
Trinidad and Tobago	1 September 2007 BGBl. 2008 II 56					
Tunisia	1 April 2023 BGBl. 2023 II 462					
Türkiye	1 August 2000 BGBl. 2001 II 165 BGBl. 2002 II 1903	*	1 February 2017 BGBl. 2016 II 1263	Art. 34 Art. 55 F	1 June 2000 BGBl. 2000 II 1207 BGBl. 2001 II 871	
Turkmenistan	1 August 1998 BGBl. 1998 II 1636 BGBl. 2000 II 180					
Ukraine	1 January 2008 BGBl. 2008 II 56		1 January 2011 BGBl. 2010 II 1527	Art. 34 Art. 44 Art. 55	1 November 2008 BGBl. 2009 II 401	Art. 17 E,F (only on the basis of reciprocity)
United Kingdom including:	1 December 1990 BGBl. 1991 II 329	*	1 November 2012 BGBl. 2013 II 155	Art. 34 Art. 23, 26, 52 F	1 February 1991 BGBl. 1991 II 392	Art. 17

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a) Anguilla	1 September 2007 BGBl. 2008 II 56	*			1 October 2007 BGBl. 2008 II 3	Art. 17
b) Bailiwick of Jersey	1 March 2006 BGBl. 2006 II 239	*			1 April 2006 BGBl. 2007 II 1064	Art. 17
c) Bermuda	1 March 1999 BGBl. 1999 II 355	*			1 March 1997 BGBl. 1997 II 894	Art. 17
d) Cayman Islands	1 August 1998 BGBl. 1999 II 355	*				Art. 17
e) Falkland Islands	1 June 1998 BGBl. 1998 II 1636	*			1 November 1991 BGBl. 1991 II 1076	Art. 17
f) Gibraltar			1 November 2012 BGBl. 2013 II 155	Art. 34 Art. 23, 26, 52 F		
g) Isle of Man	1 September 1991 BGBl. 1991 II 1027	*			1 September 1998 BGBl. 1998 II 2959	Art. 17
h) Montserrat	1 March 1999 BGBl. 1999 II 356	*			1 February 1999 BGBl. 1999 II 291	
United States of America	1 December 1990 BGBl. 1991 II 329	F, *				
Uruguay	1 October 2001 BGBl. 2001 II 1071		1 January 2011 BGBl. 2010 II 1527			
Uzbekistan	1 October 2009 BGBl. 2010 II 6	*				

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Venezuela	1 January 1997 BGBl. 1997 II 330	E, F, *				
Zimbabwe	1 February 1997 BGBl. 1997 II 798, 1586	*				