

# VAT numbers issued by different EU countries



You need the VAT number of your customers, suppliers, or other counterparts when you prepare invoices for them.

Contact the party you do business with and ask them to give you their VAT number.

The first two characters of the VAT number are the country code, which is followed by a varying number of other characters.

Used abbreviations:

9 = number,

X = number or letter,

L = letter,

S = letter, number, or other character

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| Country  | Structure                                       | Number of characters after the country code | Notes   |
|----------|---|---|---|
| Austria  | AT U999999999                                   | 9   | The first characters following the country code is always "U" |
| Belgium  | BE 9999999999                                   | 10  |   |
| Bulgaria | BG 9999999999<br>BG 9999999999                  | 9 or 10                                     |   |
| Croatia  | HR 999999999999                                 | 11  |   |
| Cyprus   | CY 999999999L                                   | 9   |   |
| Czech    | CZ 999999999<br>CZ 9999999999<br>CZ 99999999999 | 8, 9 or 10                                  |   |





|         |                |    |
|---------|----------------|----|
| Denmark | DK 999999999   | 8  |
| Estonia | EE 999999999   | 9  |
| Finland | FI 999999999   | 8  |
| France  | FR XX999999999 | 11 |
| Germany | DE 999999999   | 9  |
| Greece  | EL 999999999   | 9  |
| Hungary | HU 999999999   | 8  |



Ireland

IE 9S99999L or IE  
9999999LL

8-9

Italy

IT 999999999999

11

Latvia

LV 999999999999

11

Lithuania

LT 9999999999  
LT 99999999999999

9 or 12

Luxembourg

LU 99999999

8

Malta

MT 99999999

8



Netherlands

NL 999999999B99

12

The 10th character following the country code is always "B".

Portugal

PT 999999999

9

Poland

PL 9999999999

10

Romania

RO 99  
RO 999  
RO 9999  
RO 99999  
RO 999999  
RO 9999999  
RO 99999999  
RO 9999999999

2 to 10



Sweden

SE  
999999999901

12

The last two characters  
are always the numbers  
“01”.

Slovakia

SK 9999999999

10

Slovenia

SI 99999999

8

Spain

ES X9999999X

9

The first and the last  
character can be either a  
letter or a number, but  
both cannot be  
numbers.

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