

Hallmarks
of European Union Member States

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The Hallmarking system of European Union Member States

Country	The compulsory system	The voluntary system	Declaration of the producer
Austria			✓
Belgium		✓	
Bulgaria	✓		
Cyprus	✓		
Czech Republic	✓		
Denmark		✓	
Estonia		✓	
Finland		✓	
France	✓		
Germany			✓
Greece			✓
Hungary	✓		
Ireland	✓		
Italy			✓
Latvia	✓		
Lithuania	✓		
Luxemburg			✓
Malta		✓	
Netherlands	✓		
Poland	✓		
Portugal	✓		
Romania		✓	
Slovak Republic	✓		
Slovenia	✓	✓	
Spain	✓		
Sweden		✓	
United Kingdom	✓		







**Guidelines to European Union
Member States Hallmarks**

Belgium

	Fineness	Large articles	Small articles
gold	833		
	750		
	585		
silver	925		
	835		
platinum	950		

Bulgaria






gold

916	
833	
750	
585	
500	
333	



gold bars



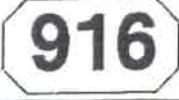


















silver

950	
925	
800	
750	
500	





















silver bars

Cyprus

	sponsor's mark	official mark	fineness
gold			
			
			
			
silver			
			
			

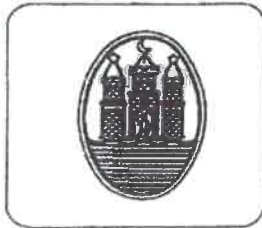
<http://www.essay.org.cy/>

Czech Republic

	fineness	mark	
gold	999		
	986		
	900		
	750		
	585		
silver	999		<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> old goods of lower than legal fineness  gold 333-584  silver 500-799 </div>
	959		
	925		
	900		
	835		
	800		<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> signs "metal" METAL MET M </div>
platinum	999		
	950		
	900		
	850		
	800		

Denmark

Assay Office Mark














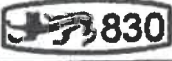








The Danish Hallmark confirms the fineness mark indicated by the manufacturer

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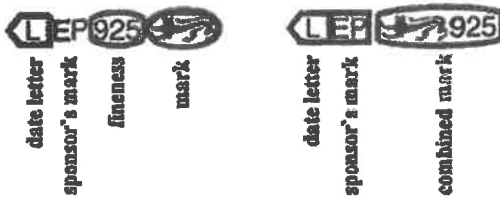
gold ≧ 333	silver ≧ 800	platinum ≧ 850
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<http://www.force.dk>

Estonia

	fineness	mark	combined mark
gold	916	 916	
	750	 750	
	585	 585	
	375	 375	
silver	925	 925	
	830	 830	
	800	 800	
platinum	950	 950	
palladium	950	 950	
	500	 500	

The example of the hallmark:



Finland

The main mark



Local assay office mark

Helsinki



Hameelinna



Ylämaa



Standards of fineness

gold























silver

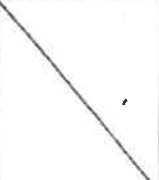






platinum

999	999	999
916	925	950
750	830	900
585	800	850
375		









<http://www.tukes.fi/>

France

	New articles		Old articles		New and old articles	
	Mark	Small mark	Domestic production	Foreign and unknown articles		
Gold	 999 ‰ 24k  916 ‰ 22k  750 ‰ 18k Eagle	 750 ‰	 750 ‰ Eagle	 Owl  For lower fineness < 375 ‰	 500 ‰ 14k St. Jock's shell	 375 ‰ 9k Tad
Silver	 999 ‰  925 ‰  800 ‰ Minerva	 800 ‰ Minerva	 800 ‰ Minerva	 Swan  For lower fineness < 800 ‰		
Platinum	 999 ‰  950 ‰  900 ‰  850 ‰ Dog	 850 ‰	 Mascaron			

Mixed marks and fineness			
	 wild boar and eagle	 wild boar and eagle	 owl +  swan +  or  depended on the proportion

September 2004

	Precious and base metals			
	New articles		Old articles	
	50 % ET +	- de 50 %	50 % ET +	- de 50 %
Gold with base metal				
Silver with base metal				

x - the symbol of one of the thirty local assay offices

Hungary

	fineness	mark
gold	916	
	750	
	585	
	375	
silver	925	
	900	
	835	
	800	
B-date letter		
platinum	950	
	900	
Assay Office Mark		

<http://www.nemesfemvizsgalo.hu/>



MAGYAR KERESKEDELMI ENGEDÉLYEZÉSI HIVATAL
NEMESFÉMVIZSGÁLÓ ÉS HITELESÍTŐ HATÓSÁG
ÜGYFÉLTÁJÉKOZTATÓ

2016. JANUÁR 1-JÉTŐL ÉRVÉNYES MAGYAR FÉMJELEK
HUNGARIAN HALLMARKS FROM 01. 01. 2016

Platina tárgyakra
Platinum Articles



950



900



950



500

Palladium tárgyakra
Palladium Articles

Hivataljel
Office Mark



Aranytárgyakra
Gold Articles



916



750



585



375

Ezüsttárgyakra
Silver Articles



925



900



















835



800









Ireland

	fineness	mark
gold	999	 999
	990	 990
	916	 22 916
	833	 20 833
	750	 18 750
	585	 14 585
	417	 10 417
	375	 9 375
silver	999	 999
	958	 9584
	925	 925
	800	 800
platinum	999	 999
	950	 950
	900	 900
	850	 850

Latvia







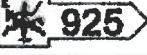


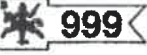
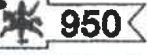


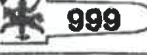



additional mark

basic mark

gold		 959 916 900 750 585 583 500 375 333
silver		 960 925 916 875 830 800 750
platinum		 950 850
palladium		 850 500

<http://www.vpai.gov.lv/>
<http://www.vpai.gov.lv/index.php?pid=01&id=15>

Lithuania

	fineness	mark
gold	999	
	916	
	750	
	585	
	375	
silver	999	
	925	
	830	
	800	
platinum	999	
	950	
	900	
	850	
palladium	999	
	950	
	850	
	500	





<http://www.lpr.lt/>

Malta





fineness

mark for domestic articles

gold

916	
750	
585	
375	

silver

959	
925	
830	
800	

Netherlands

			new large articles				new small articles		old articles large and small	
					Gouda	Joure	Gouda	Joure		
			fineness							
gold	916									
	833									
	750									
	585									
silver	925									
	835									
	800									
platinum	950	new articles large and small		old articles large and small						
	Assay Office Marks									

<http://www.waarborg.nl/>
<http://www.cwnederland.nl/>

Poland

	fineness	mark
gold	960	
	750	
	585	
	500	
	375	
	333	
	additional mark	

palladium	850	
	500	
	additional mark	

other hallmarks	approval mark	main mark

other marks	
base metal mark	deletion marks































<http://www.gum.gov.pl/>

	fineness	mark
silver	925	
	875	
	830	
	800	
	additional mark	

platinum	950	
	additional mark	

dental materials	platinum 950	
	gold 916	
	gold 833	
	gold 750	
	palladium 333	
	gold and palladium 302	

Portugal

	fineness	Lisbon	Porto
gold	999		
	916		
	800		
	750		
	585		
	375		
silver	999		
	925		
	835		
	830		
	800		
platinum	999		
	950		
	900		
	850		

<http://www.incm.pt/pt/dcc/marcas.html>

MARCAS LEGAIS DA CONTRASTARIA PORTUGUESA

Lei n.º 98/2015, de 18 de agosto e Portaria n.º 374-A/2017, de 31 de outubro | Quadro de Marcas em vigor desde 1 de jan. de 2021



MARCAS LEGAIS:

MARCA DE RESPONSABILIDADE DE FABRICO OU EQUIVALENTE



MARCA DE CONTRASTARIA



MARCAS DE CONTRASTARIA

PLATINA

999‰	
950‰	
900‰	
850‰	

PALÁDIO

999‰	
950‰	
500‰	

BARRAS

Platina, ouro, paládio ou prata (acompanhado da designação do respetivo metal)



OUTRAS MARCAS

	Artigos com metal precioso de interesse especial de reconhecido interesse arqueológico, histórico ou artístico, de fabrico posterior a 1882 e desde que tenham comprovadamente mais de 50 anos
	Artigos com metal precioso apresentados individualmente, significando que a garantia de toque se cinge a metal limpo
	Artigos com metal precioso importados por entidades não licenciadas ou caso se desconheça o responsável pelo seu fabrico
	Artigos com platina do respetivo toque 500, desde que tenham comprovadamente mais de 50 anos
	Artigos com ouro do respetivo toque 800, desde que tenham comprovadamente mais de 50 anos
	Artigos com prata do respetivo toque 833, desde que tenham comprovadamente mais de 50 anos
	Artigos como relógios, óculos e lunetas de ouro do respetivo toque 750, desde que tenham comprovadamente mais de 50 anos
	Artefactos compostos constituídos por metal precioso e metal comum

MARCAS COMUNS DE CONTROLO

OURO

999‰ (24 K)	
916‰ (22 K)	
800‰ (19,2 K)	
750‰ (18 K)	
585‰ (14 K)	
375‰ (9 K)	

PRATA

999‰	
925‰	
835‰	
830‰	
800‰	

ARTEFACTOS DE OUIVESARIA COM INTERESSE ESPECIAL

Artefactos de ourivesaria que contêm marcas de extintos contrastes municipais

Artefactos de ourivesaria de reconhecido merecimento arqueológico, histórico ou artístico



ARTEFACTOS MISTOS (PLATINA, OURO, PALÁDIO, PRATA)

Os artefactos com partes de diferentes metais preciosos são marcados com os punções dos respetivos metais e toques

MARCAS DA CONVENÇÃO



As marcas mínimas a serem aplicadas nos artefactos são: uma marca de responsabilidade, a marca de contrastaria, a marca comum de controlo e a marca do toque correspondente em algarismos árabes.

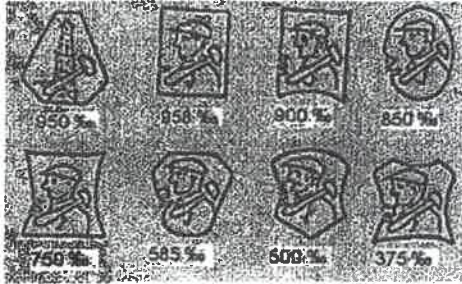
MARCAS DE OUTROS PAISES DA UE OU DO EEE

São reconhecidas as marcas provenientes de um estado membro da União Europeia ou do Espaço Económico Europeu que cumpram os requisitos expressos no artigo 11.º do RJOC. Para mais informação consultar a Contrastaria de Lisboa ou a do Porto.

Romania

Before 2007

gold



silver



After 2007

platinum



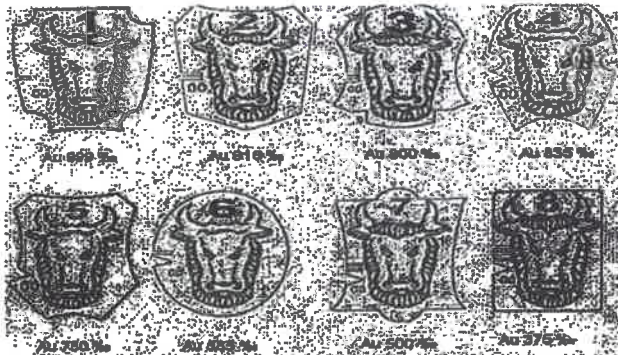
950

Palladium

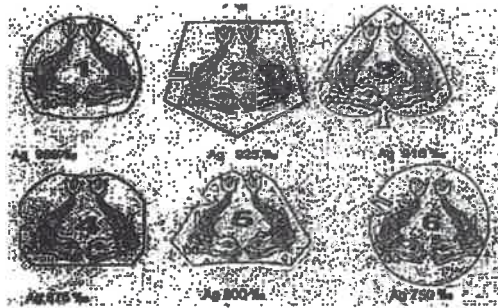


950

















gold



silver



Slovak Republic

	fineness	mark
gold	999	
	986	
	900	
	750	
	585	
silver	999	
	959	
	925	
	900	
	835	
	800	
platinum	999	
	950	
	900	
	850	
	800	

old goods of
lower than legal fineness

	
gold 333-584	silver 500-799

signs "metal"

METAL	MET	M
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Slovenia

fineness

Ljubljana
Ljubljana

Celje

gold	999 990 ⁹³⁵ 916 900 840 800 750 585 500 417 375 333	Au SI-1	Au SI-2
silver	999 925 900 835 800	Ag SI-1	Ag SI-2
platinum	999 950 900 850	Pt SI-1	Pt SI-2
palladium	999 950 500	Pd SI-1	Pd SI-2

<http://www.mira.si/>

Spain

gold	silver	platinum
999 V1	999 V1	999 V1
916 V1	925 V1	950 V1
750 V1	800 V1	900 V1
585 V1		850 V1
375 V1		

Local assay offices:

Andalucia	A	Extremadura	E
Aragon	AR	Galicia	G
Asturias	AS	La Rioja	R
Baleares	B	Madrid	M
Canarias Islas	CS	Murcia	MU
Cantabria	CA	Navarra	N
Castilla la Mancha	CM	Pais Vasco	PV
Castilla León	CL	Valencia	V
Cataluna	C		

The Spanish Assay Offices are signified by number "1" with the exception of office in Baleares (B2).





<http://www.aimme.es>

Sweden





SGK

SP





gold

large articles		
small articles		

silver

large articles		
small articles		

platinum

large articles		
small articles		

The fineness are:

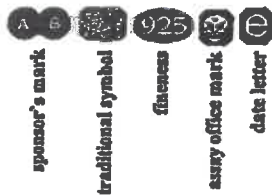
for gold ≥ 375	for silver ≥ 800	for platinum ≥ 850
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<http://www.sp.se/katiboten/eng/assay.htm>

United Kingdom


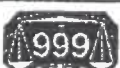


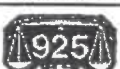


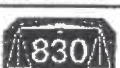






	fineness	compulsory mark	voluntary mark
gold	999		
	990		
	916		
	750		
	585		
	375		
silver	999		 fineness symbol
	958		
	925		
	800		
platinum	999		
	950		
	900		
	850		
Assay office marks			
<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: center;"> London</div> <div style="text-align: center;"> Birmingham</div> <div style="text-align: center;"> Sheffield</div> <div style="text-align: center;"> Edynburg</div> </div>			

The example of the hallmark:

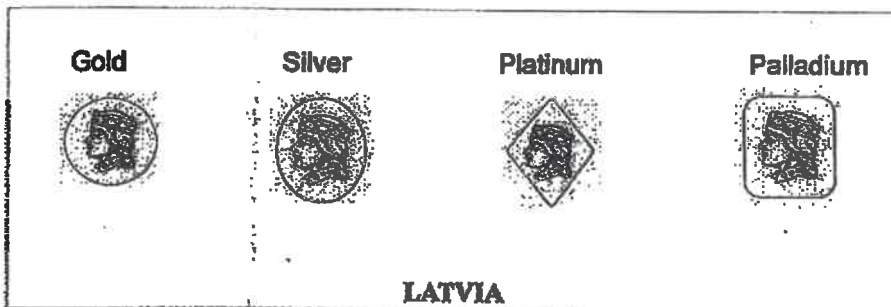


Other countries have not compulsory hallmarking system. The articles of precious metals marked by sponsor's mark which are not recognize in Poland, can not be applied for turnover.

Common Control Marks

Gold	Silver	Platinum
 999	 999	 999
 990	 925	 950
 916	 830	 900
 750	 800	 850
 585		
 375		

Assay Office Marks:





The letter means local assay office:

D	Druskininkai	L	Klaipėda
K	Kaunas	S	Šiauliai
V	Vilnius		

<p>Waarborg Platina, Goud en Zilver N.V. (Waarborg Holland)</p>	<p>Edelmetaal Waarborg Netherland B.V.</p>
NETHERLANDS	



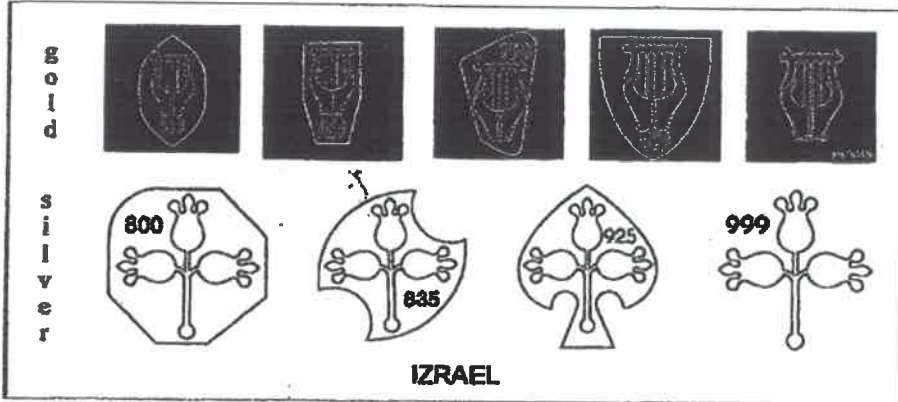
<p>Lisbon</p>	<p>Porto</p>
PORTUGAL	





X - the symbol of the local assay office:

B	Biel + Central Office Berne	C	La Chaux-de-Fonds
☆	Basle	J	Le Noirmont
T	Chiasso	S	Schaffhausen
G	Geneva-Montbrillant + Geneva-Airport	Z	Zurich-Post + Zurich-Airport





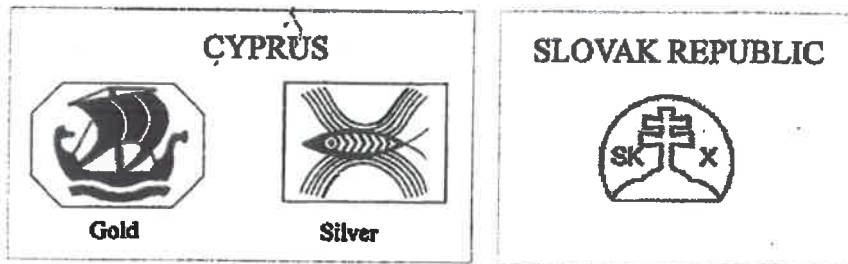
X – The symbol of the local assay office

Regional Assay Office in Warszawa:

- A – Local Assay Office in Białystok;
- B – Local Assay Office in Bydgoszcz;
- G – Local Assay Office in Gdańsk;
- Ł – Local Assay Office in Łódź;
- W – Local Assay Office in Warszawa.

Regional Assay Office in Kraków:

- H – Local Assay Office in Chorzów;
- K – Local Assay Office in Kraków;
- P – Local Assay Office in Poznań;
- V – Local Assay Office in Wrocław;
- Z – Local Assay Office in Częstochowa.





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CAPRAŠKA 6, 10000 ZAGREB

DRŽAVNI ŽIGOVI
ZA PREDMETE OD PLEMENITIH KOVINA

ZLATO



999/1000



950/1000



916/1000



840/1000



750/1000



585/1000



375/1000

SREBRO



999/1000



950/1000



925/1000



900/1000



800/1000

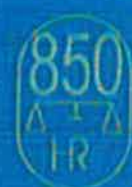
PLATINA



950/1000



900/1000



850/1000

(Article 1(1)(f))

* ANNEX VII
(Article 34(2))

MARK FOR THE OPTIONAL TEST



(*)
(**)

	Circumference in mm
Size 1	1.0
Size 2	1.6
Size 3	3.2
Size 4	6.0

Size 1 may only be used if the mark for the optional test is applied using laser technology.

(*) The title block under the profile of the turreted head of Italy, which displays the initials of the province.

(**) The image shown here is an example and, therefore, there may be different from the real mark.