

An issuer identification number (IIN) is required for issuers of cards operating in international, inter- and/or intra-industry interchange.

1 IIN application

According to ISO/IEC 7812-2:2007, an organization can apply,

1. for an assignment of a **single Issuer Identification Number (IIN)**
2. for an approval to become an **authorized blockholder** (a block of IINs)

An applicant for a single IIN meeting the criteria for approval as defined in ISO/IEC 7812-2:2007 section 4.3.1 and not meeting the criteria for rejection as defined in ISO/IEC 7812-2:2007 section 4.3.2 shall provide NBN with a completed form “**Application for issuer identification number**” (Annex A of ISO/IEC 7812-2:2007). Be aware that,

- An IIN identifies the card issuer and its major industry and is required to operate in international, inter- and/or intra-industry interchange.
- An applicant can only apply for one IIN, thus may not have already an IIN assigned to it in its own right.
- Additional IINs will not be assigned to identify products, services, technologies or geographical location.

An authorized blockholder applicant meeting the criteria for approval as defined in ISO/IEC 7812-2:2007 section 4.3.3 and not meeting the criteria for rejection as defined in ISO/IEC 7812-2:2007 section 4.3.4 shall provide NBN with a completed form “**Application for Approval as an Authorized Blockholder**” (Annex E of ISO/IEC 7812-2:2007).

The completed form is to be sent to:

Bureau voor Normalisatie - Birminghamstraat 131 - 1070 Brussel - België
Bureau de Normalisation - Rue de Birmingham 131 - 1070 Bruxelles - Belgique
Fax: +32 2 733 42 64 ; E-mail: tech@nbn.be

2 Registration fee

NBN charges a fee of EUR 605 (including 21% VAT). The fee is to be transferred to the following bank account:

Bank van de Post, Anspachlaan 1, 1000 Brussel
Banque de la Poste, boulevard Anspach 1, B-1000 Bruxelles
Account number: **000-3255621-10**
IBAN **BE41 0003 2556 2110**
BIC **BPOT BEB1**
The transfer statement should mention following data:
ISOIEC 7812 IIN ; <applicant name> ; <applicant VAT number>

3 Getting the IIN

Within 30 days of receipt of the registration fee and positive verification of the application, the application is sent to the “international Registration Authority” for further treatment. Once the application is approved by the Registration Authority and NBN has received the assigned single IIN or block of IINs, the applicant is informed. When an applicant becomes the owner of a single IIN or a block of IINs, the responsibilities listed in ISO/IEC 7812-2:2007 section 6.1 (single IIN) and ISO/IEC 7812-2:2007 section 6.2 (block of IINs) become effective.

4 Contact information

For more information you can contact:

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