



# **EUROPEAN COMMISSION**



## TAX IDENTIFICATION NUMBERS (TINs)

**Country Sheet: Germany (DE)** 

### 1. TIN structure

Format	Explanation	Comment
9999999999	11 digits	New TIN: Identifikationsnummer (IdNr.)
		(only individual persons): see below

## 2. TIN description

Germany issues TINs which are not reported on official documents of identification.

Identifikationsnummer (new TIN – in short: IdNr.): available since 2008 has a length of 11 digits and it applies to individual persons. This TIN will replace the previous one (Steuernummer) in future, but at present both have legal value.

The "identifikationsnummer" can identify taxpayers, who are natural persons.

## 3. Where to find TINs?

TINs are not reported on official documents of identification, but they can be found as follows:

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### 3.1. Identifikationsnummer (IdNr.).:

The new TIN (Identifikationsnummer, IdNr.) can, for example, be found on the letter about the IdNr. ("Mitteilungsschreiben über die Zuordnung einer Identifikationsnummer"):



## 4. TIN national website

Information on TIN:	- Identifikationsnummer (IdNr.): http://www.identifikationsmerkmal.de http://www.bzst.de/DE/Steuern_National/Steuerliche_Identifikationsnummer/ steuerid_node.html;jsessionid=9850F9666EEA09A13C4A00670999CD13.int ranet1
TIN online check:	Not available

### 5. TIN national contact point

Conta	ct:	Steuerliches Informationscenter im Bundeszentralamt für Steuern:	
		allgemein@steuerliches-info-center.de	
		info@identifikationsmerkmal.de	

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