# Verification of Signatures and Stamps in Original Educational Documents

Your educational documents **MUST be verified** for use in the Czech Republic **accordingly to the country where they were issued** - explanatory notes below.

Country	Verification	Country	Verification
Afghanistan	В	Commonwealth of the Northern	А
-		Mariana Islands	
Albania	B	Comoros Islands	A
Algeria	B	Congo	L
American Samoa	A	Congo, Democratic Republic (DRC)	L
Andorra	A	Cook Islands	A
Angola	A	Costa Rica	A
Anguilla	A	Croatia	В
Antarctica	L	Cuba	В
Antigua and Barbuda	A	Cyprus, The Republic of Cyprus	В
Argentina	A	Cyprus, Turkish Republic of Northern	A
Armenia	A	Denmark	A
Aruba	A	Djibouti	L
Australia	А	Dominica	A
Austria	В	Dominican Republic	A
Azerbaijan	А	Ecuador	А
Bahamas	Α	Egypt	L
Bahrain	A	El Salvador	Α
Bailiwick of Guernsey	A	Equatorial Guinea	L
Bangladesh	L	Eritrea	L
Barbados	A	Estonia	A
Belarus	В	Eswatini	A
Belgium	В	Ethiopia	L
Belize	A	Falkland Islands	Α
Benin	L	Faroe Islands	L
Bermuda	A	Fiji	A
Bhutan	L	Finland	A
Bolivia	A	France	В
Bosnia and Herzegovina	B	French Polynesia	A
Botswana	A	Gabon	L
Bouvet Island		Gambia	L
Brazil	L	Georgia	B
British Virgin Territory	A	Germany	A
British Virgin Islands	A	Ghana	L
Brunei Darussalam		Gibraltar	A
Bulgaria	AB	Gibraitar	B
-		Grenada	
Burkina Faso Burundi			A
		Guadeloupe	
Cambodia		Guam	A
Cameroon	L	Guatemala	A
Canada	A	Guinea	L ·
Cape Verde	A	Guinea-Bissau	L
Cayman Islands	A	Guyana	A
Central African Republic	L	Haiti	L
Ceuta	L	Heard Island and McDonald Islands	L
Chad	L	Honduras	A
Chile	A	Hong Kong	A
China	A	Hungary	В
Christmas Islands	L	Iceland	A
Colombia	А	India	Α

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Indonesia	А	Nauru	L
Iran, Islamic Republic of Iran	L	Nepal	L
Iraq	L	Netherlands	A
Ireland	А	Netherlands Antilles	A
Israel	А	New Caledonia	A
Italy	А	New Zealand	A
Ivory Coast	L	Nicaragua	A
Jamaica	А	Niger	L
Japan	А	Nigeria	L
Jordan	L	Niue	A
Kazakhstan	А	Norfolk Island	L
Kenya	L	Norway	A
Kiribati	L	Oman	A
Korea, Democratic People's	В	Pakistan	L
Korea, Republic of	А	Palau	A
Kosovo	А	Panama	A
Kuwait	L	Papua New Guinea	L
Kyrgyzstan	В	Paraguay	Α
Lao People's Democratic Republic	L	Peru	A
Latvia	Α	Philippines	A
Lebanon	L	Poland	В
Lesotho	Α	Portugal	A
Liberia	A	Puerto Rico	A
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	L	Qatar	L
Liechtenstein	Α	Republic of Guinea	L
Lithuania	A	Republic of Moldova	В
Luxembourg	Α	Reunion	A
Macao	Α	Romania	В
Macedonia, Republic of North	В	Russia (Russian Federation)	В
Madagascar	L	Rwanda	A
Malawi	A	Saint Helena	A
Malaysia	L	Saint Kitts and Nevis	A
Maldives	L	Saint Lucia	L
Mali	L	Saint Pierre and Miquelon	A
Malta	A	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	A
Marshall Islands	A	Samoa	A
Mauritania	L	San Marino	A
Mauritius	Α	Sao Tome and Principe	A
Mayotte	L	Saudi Arabia	A
Melilla	L	Senegal	A
Mexico	Α	Serbia	В
Micronesia, Federated States of		Seychelles	A
Micronesia	L		
Monaco	Α	Sierra Leone	L
Mongolia	В	Singapore	L
Montenegro	B	Slovakia	B
Morocco	A	Slovenia	B
Mozambique	L	Solomon Islands	A
Myanmar	L L	Somalia	
	L	South Africa	A
Namibia	А		

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Country	Verification	Country	Verification
South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands	А	Turkmenistan	L
South Sudan	L	Tuvalu	L
Spain	В	Uganda	L
Sri Lanka	L	Ukraine	В
Sudan	L	United Arab Emirates	L
Suriname	A	United Kingdom	А
Sweden	A	United States of America	А
Switzerland	В	United States Minor Outlying Islands	L
Syrian Arab Republic	В	United State Virgin Islands	А
Taiwan	L	Uruguay	А
Tajikistan	A	Uzbekistan	В
Tanzania, United Republic of Tanzania	L	Vanuatu	А
Thailand	L	Vatican City State	L
Timor-Leste (East Timor)	L	Venezuela	А
Тодо	L	Vietnam	В
Tokelau	L	Wallis and Futuna	А
Tonga	A	Western Sahara	L
Trinidad & Tobago	A	Yemen	В
Tunisia	А	Zambia	L
Turkey	A	Zimbabwe	L

### **Glossary:**

**A – APOSTILLE** verification - University diploma apostille verification (see below) accordingly Hague Agreement

**B** – **Notary verification** - Agreement of legal help exists (TBU requires just the basic verification by a notary office)

L – Superlegalization - University diploma verification by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the country where the university is located and the Embassy of the Czech Republic (in compliance with § 90 Para 3 of Act No. 111/1998 Coll., on Higher Education Institutions and on Alterations and Amendments to Other Acts (Higher Education, as subsequently amended (hereinafter referred to as "the Act")

#### **Explanatory notes:**

According to conditions stipulated by existing international treaties, the verification procedure is subdivided into three groups:

**ad.** A - Multilateral agreement on the legalization of foreign public documents (Hague Convention) concluded between two countries – relevant documents consequently need not be legalized by a representative body of the Czech Republic in the issuing country. Instead, an international certification, the so-called **Apostille**, is issued by the <u>Competent Authority</u>. Usually by the Ministry of Foreign affairs of the country where the school/university which issued the Diploma is located.

**ad. B** - Bilateral treaty on legal assistance concluded between two countries documents issued by such countries are exempt from the requirements of section 90, subsection 3 of the Act. All documents are thus considered valid with no further authentication necessary - (**TBU still requires Notary verification even in this case**)

**ad.** L - Other countries - diplomas and proofs of graduation issued in all remaining countries must be verified in accordance with the provisions of section 90, subsection 3 of the Act; all signatures and stamps on original documents must be simultaneously authenticated by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the country where the university in question is located (or relevant foreign authority) and the relevant representative body of the Czech Republic in that country (e.g. Embassy of the Czech Republic). This process is called SUPERLEGALIZATION.

For further details kindly refer to www.msmt.cz (Ministry of Education, Youth, and Sports of the Czech Republic).