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SUSPECT NOTE?

Some do's and don'ts

If you handle large quantities of money every day, you could come across a suspect banknote. Ideally, your employer should have drawn up a plan for such an eventuality. Here are some tips if you are uncertain about a note:

- Do**
- tell the customer that you need to speak briefly to your supervisor or a security officer, but ensure that the customer can always see the banknote
- make a mental note of the customer's appearance
- try to stall him/her
- contact the police
- make a note of his/her number plate and the car make and model (assuming he/she leaves by car)
- hand over the suspect banknote without delay to your supervisor or security officer for forwarding to the police
- make sure you are safe at all times
- Don't**
- get into an argument with the customer
- prevent the customer from leaving even if he/she has been asked to wait for the police
- return the banknote to the customer if at all possible

It is a criminal offence to pass on a banknote which you believe or know is a counterfeit. Since fake banknotes are completely worthless, be vigilant. You will receive no compensation for accepting a fake.

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THE EUROPA SERIES: SECURITY FEATURES

The back of the new €5

There are security features on the back as well as on the front of the banknote. Please see the red boxes below.

Boxes 4 and 5 show microprint. Under a magnifying glass, these tiny letters are sharp, not blurred.

Box 6 shows the portrait watermark. It can be seen on both sides of the note.

In terms of design, the back depicts the same bridge – an example of classical architecture – as on the first series. It has been slightly modified and repositioned, as has the map of Europe.



Back of the new €5 banknote



INTRODUCTION

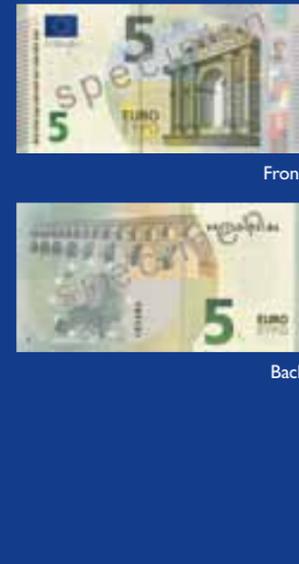
The new face of the euro

Europa, a figure from Greek mythology, is the new face of the euro. Her portrait appears in the hologram and the watermark of the second series of euro banknotes, which is called the Europa series. This incorporates advances in banknote technology and is even more secure than the first series. The new banknotes are to be introduced gradually over several years, in ascending order and starting with the €5 banknote in 2013. The first series will remain legal tender and circulate alongside the Europa series until further notice.

THE FIRST SERIES



THE EUROPA SERIES €5



Front

Back

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WORTH A CLOSER LOOK



GUIDE FOR CASH HANDLERS
Discover the new €5 banknote

Easy to check and difficult to counterfeit

With their enhanced security features, the new €5 banknotes are even more resistant to counterfeiting. And like the banknotes of the first series, they're easy to check. Just follow the three-step 'Feel, Look and Tilt' method.



1 FEEL

Feel of the paper – The banknote is crisp and firm.
Raised print – Feel the short raised lines on the left and right edges of the banknote. The main image, the lettering and the large value numeral also feel thicker.



2 LOOK

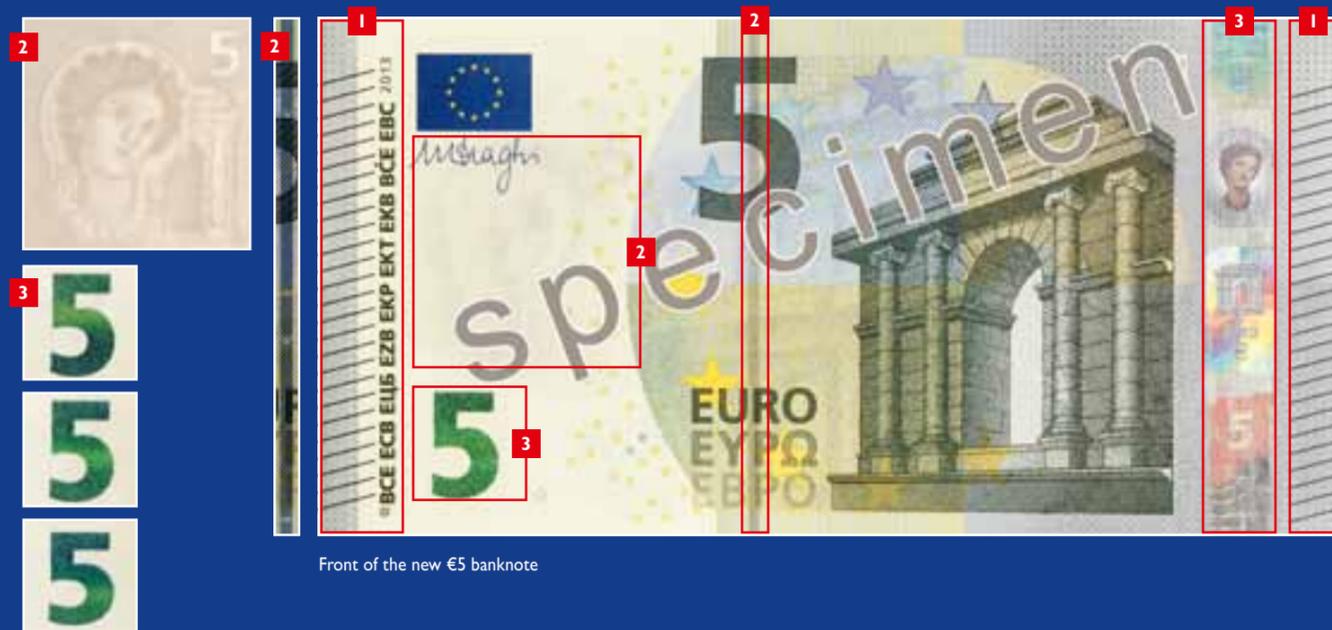
Portrait watermark – Look at the banknote against the light. A portrait of Europa, the value and a window become visible. Put the banknote on a dark surface and the light areas become darker.
Security thread – Look at the banknote against the light. The security thread appears as a dark stripe.



3 TILT

Portrait hologram – Tilt the banknote. A portrait of Europa, a window and the value appear in the silvery stripe.
Emerald number – Tilt the banknote. An effect of the light moves up and down the number. It also changes colour from emerald green to deep blue.

THE EUROPA SERIES



3-step security check



1 FEEL

Feel of the paper – The banknote is crisp and firm.
Raised print – The main image, the lettering and the large value numeral feel thicker.



2 LOOK

Watermark – Look at the banknote against the light and the main image and the value become visible. Put the banknote on a dark surface and the light areas become darker.
Security thread – Look at the banknote against the light. The security thread appears as a dark stripe.



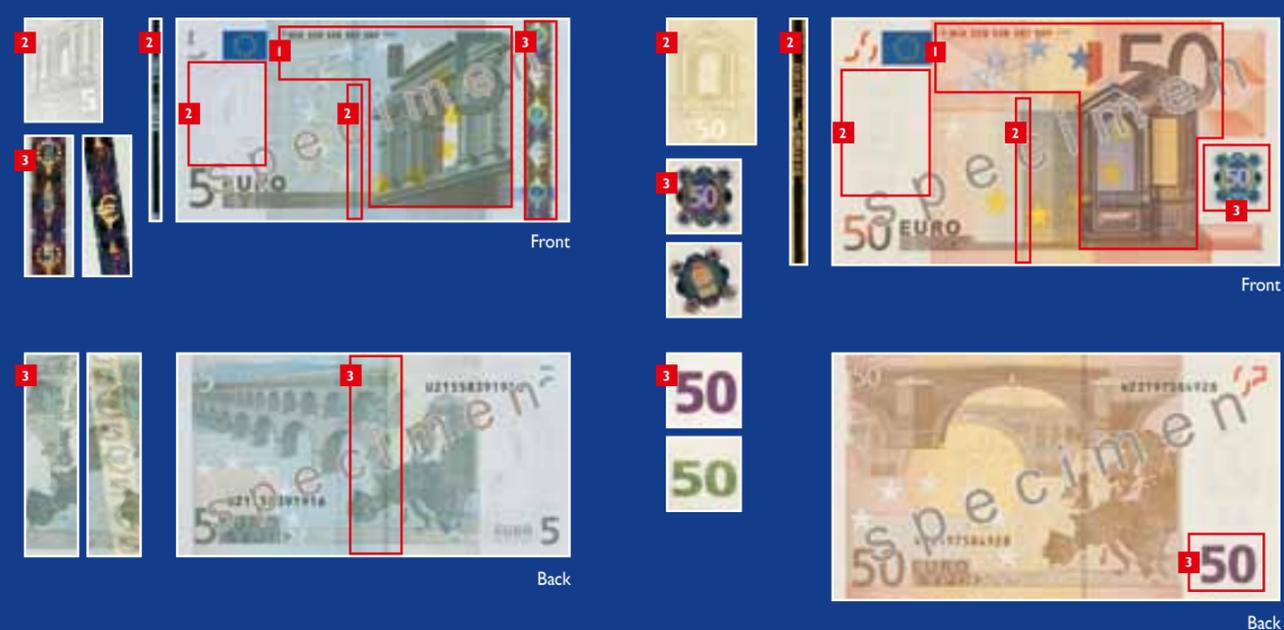
3 TILT

Hologram on the front of the €5, €10 and €20 banknotes – The value and the € symbol appear.
Glossy stripe on the back of the €5, €10 and €20 banknotes – A gold-coloured stripe appears showing the value and the € symbol.

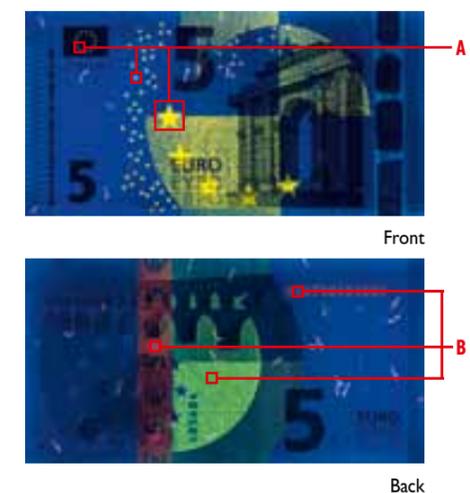
3 TILT

Hologram on the front of the €50 banknote and higher – The value and a window or doorway appear.
Colour-changing number on the back of the €50 banknote and higher – The number changes colour from purple to olive green or brown.

THE FIRST SERIES



The new €5 under UV light



The paper itself does not glow.

- A** On the front, the stars in the flag, the small circles, the large stars and several other areas glow yellow. Small fibres appear in the paper. Each fibre shows three colours.
- B** On the back, a quarter of a circle in the centre as well as several other areas glow green. The horizontal serial number and a stripe appear in red.

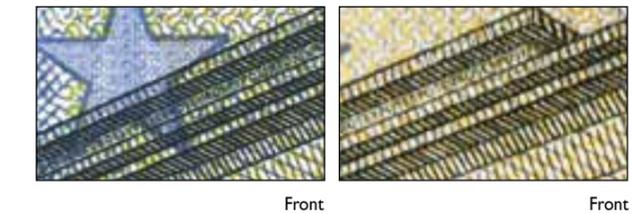
Under special ultraviolet light (UV-C)



- C** On the front, the small circles in the centre glow yellow and the large stars and several other areas glow orange. The € symbol also becomes visible.

Microprint on the new €5

Some areas of the banknote show a series of tiny letters. This microprint can be read with a magnifying glass. These letters are sharp, not blurred.



Under infrared light

Under infrared light, on the front only the emerald number, the right side of the main image and the silvery stripe are visible. On the back of the banknote, only the value numeral and the horizontal serial number are visible.

