

Report of Hungary 2012–2015*

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Jurisdiction

Act stipulates that since 1 January 2013 municipalities may not include in the names of streets, squares or public institutions the proper names of persons participating in establishing, forming or maintaining any 20th century totalitarian political system, or any phrase or organization that can directly be associated with such a system.

Central address register

- Each real property in Hungary (buildings and parcels) must have an address established by a regulated process.
- An address must include the name of the street (public space), its type and the house number.
- Addresses must be unmistakable and unequivocal.
- Only farmsteads may be named after a living person.

Districts (*járás*)

- *Járás* (district) corresponds to the LAU1 level in the nomenclature of the EU
- Historical category from the Middle Ages to 1983.
- They, with one exception, bear the name of their seats with an addition of the derivative -i.
- 175 new districts, 23 districts of Budapest received the same authority as other districts.

Hungarian names of NUTS regions

- The existing exonyms should be used:
Sachsen ~ Szászország
- Differentiating common words should be translated: *Inner London ~ Belső-London*
- The names fully or partly made of common words that can be translated should follow the rules of the Hungarian language:
Highlands and Islands ~ Felföld és szigetek
- The duplication of names should be avoided: *Nord-Vest ~ Északnyugat-Románia.*

Hungarian names outside Hungary

- Bringing the local and the Hungarian usage of place names in harmony, if possible
- Avoiding homonyms
- Unifying the orthography
- Retaining the traditional names
- The Committee approved and recommends for use
 - the locally used Hungarian names
 - even if they are different from the contemporaneous Hungarian names
 - specific words to avoid homonyms

Gazetteer of Hungary

- The medium scale contains 79 thousand records and covers the whole country
- The large scale version of the Gazetteer is completed for two thirds of the country
- 10% of the area is digitally processed.
- A geometrical form is corresponded to each toponym
- Topographic and cadastral maps, orthophotos and digital elevation models
- The names are entered into the database in cooperation with the local governments

Details from the 1:10 000 version

