



THE SECURITY FEATURES OF THE EURO BANKNOTES



120 x 62 mm grey



127 x 67 mm red



133 x 72 mm blue



140 x 77 mm orange



147 x 82 mm green



153 x 82 mm yellow-brown



160 x 82 mm purple



Various security features will help you recognise a genuine euro banknote. Just check if:

- ✓ The banknote paper is crisp and firm. It feels thicker in some parts.
- ✓ The main motif reappears in the watermark and the hologram on the €50, €100, €200 and €500.
- ✓ The value of the banknote appears in the watermark, the security thread, the hologram and in the colour-changing number.

WATERMARK

Hold the banknote against the light and a shadow-like image and the value numeral become visible.

FEEL OF THE PAPER

It should be crisp and firm. Run your finger across it and you will feel that the ink is thicker in some parts.

SECURITY THREAD

Hold the banknote against the light and a dark line running through the banknote becomes visible.

HOLOGRAM

Tilt the banknote. It shows the value of the banknote and the euro symbol (€).
Tilt the banknote. It shows the value of the banknote and a window or doorway.

COLOUR-CHANGING NUMBER

Tilt a €50, €100, €200 or €500 banknote. On the back, the number changes colour from purple to olive green or brown.

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