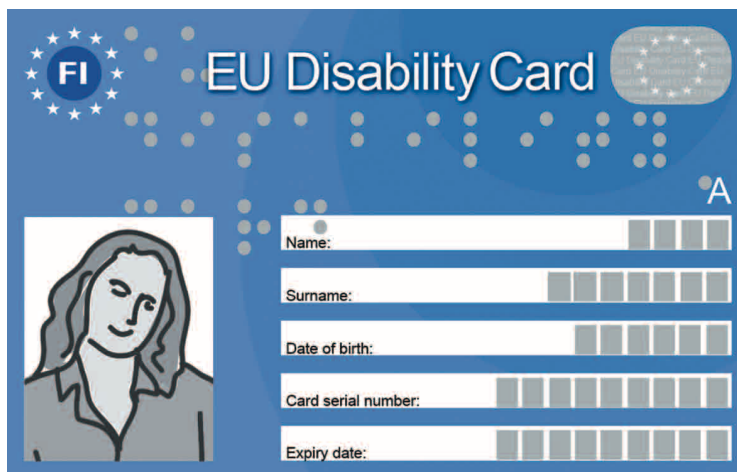


EU Disability Card – More opportunities



Would you like to get active and take part in events more often?

Is it difficult for you to say or show that you need an assistant, for example when riding the bus or going to the cinema?

Participation is not always easy.

People may not always understand your needs, and moving around in new places can be difficult.

What is the EU Disability Card?

The EU Disability Card makes it easy for you to communicate your support needs in Finland and other EU countries.

When you show the card, the customer service agent understands that you may need to bring an assistant with you, more time to shop, help with mobility or even access to an accessible toilet.

- The EU Disability Card is optional.
- The EU Disability Card is one way of showing your need for help and support.
- The EU Disability Card does not give you the right to social benefits.
- The EU Disability Card cannot be used to prove your identity.



What does the EU Disability Card look like?

The EU Disability Card has a photograph of the card holder and identifying information to prevent anyone else from using the card. The EU Disability Card looks the same in all European countries.



Who can get an EU Disability Card?

Not everyone can apply for an EU Disability Card. You can get an EU Disability Card if you have a benefit or service decision that entitles you to a card.

You can find a list of the decisions that entitle you to the card on the EU Disability Card website:

www.vammaiskortti.fi

The EU Disability Card and its application criteria are continuously being improved. If you have suggestions on how to improve the card, you can contact the Disability Card Office by sending an e-mail to **info@vammaiskortti.fi**

How to apply for the EU Disability Card?

You can apply for an EU Disability Card at Kela.

1. Fill in Kela's application form for the EU Disability Card (form VK1). Send the form to Kela. Enclose a decision on the benefit or service that entitles you to the card. If the decision you have was given by Kela you don't need to enclose it.
2. Please note that an e-mail address must be entered on the form. The e-mail address can also be the e-mail address of a close relative or an employee, for example.
3. Once Kela has granted you the permission to order the card, complete your card order in the electronic card ordering system.
4. If you need assistance in finalising your card order, contact the Disability Card Office.

Get the EU Disability Card and start using it!

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Service provider! The EU Disability Card helps improve services and create a better customer experience. Register your business as an EU Disability Card service and you'll receive positive feedback and new customers!

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