

DEPARTMENT OF LANDS AND SURVEYS REPUBLIC OF CYPRUS, MINISTRY OF INTERIOR

The Importance of Land Demarcation

Important information and data on demarcation:

- One of the most important things every property owner should know is the boundaries of his/her property.
- The development of a plot should not be planned and implemented without prior demarcation.
- The cadastral map in combination with the land register, forms the basis of the Department of Lands in Cyprus.
- The first cadastral map was created following cadastral survey work, which began in 1904 and was completed in 1929 using the means and methods available at that time. Consequently, the measurements and cadastral plans prepared at that time do not fully meet today's accuracy requirements.
- The calculation of the plots' areas, which was based on the original cadastral map, was done using graphical or approximate methods, resulting in areas that cannot be determined with great accuracy.
- Today, by carrying out the demarcation process, the boundaries of the plots are determined by modern methods using new technology and the areas are estimated accurately, based on reliable coordinates.

• Applying for Demarcation:

- The application for demarcation of a plot can be made in one of the following ways:
- Electronically through the Department of Lands and Surveys Portal: https://portal.dls.moi.gov.cy
- Via email to the relevant District Lands Office
- Via standard mail to the relevant District Lands Office
- By submitting the application to the District Lands Office.
- For the application to be accepted, the property must be based on the cadastral plan in use.
 Otherwise, the owner will be required to apply for an Issue of an Updated Title Deed.
- Applicants have the option to choose whether his/her application shall be processed by the Department, or by a private Licensed Surveyor. The list of all private Licensed Surveyors is available the portal of the Department of Lands.



• Knowing the boundaries of my plot:

- Ensure accurate spatial determination.
- The area is adopted after being estimated with high accuracy.
- A certificate of demarcation is obtained.
- Enables the development of my immovable property on the right footing.
- Ensure good neighbour relations with the owners of the adjacent plots.

Procedure:

- The position of the land marks shall be pointed out in the presence of the applicants. The applicants are responsible for ensuring and keeping the land marks indicated.
- In order to finalise the land marks, a series of check controls is followed and then the Certificate of Demarcation is issued.
- In case the applicant disagrees with the position of the boundary indicated, he/ she has the right to file an Application for Boundary Dispute, pursuant to Section 58 of the Immovable Property (Tenure, Registration and Valuation) Law, SCap. 224.



For more information about the services offered by the Department of Lands and Surveys, as well as for application forms, please visit the "Department of Lands and Surveys Web Portal" https://portal.dls.moi.gov.cy

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