



Member Profile as per January 7th, 2013

Member organisation	Col·legi Oficial de Detectius Privats de Catalunya (CODPC)
IKD membership	October 2009
Company Status 62302336	Our association operates with the Company Tax Code number G-
CODPC Membership	400
Membership Categories	Practicing Non-Practicing Honour
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Col·legi Oficial de **Detectius Privats** de Catalunya

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Description	<p>The Association of Private Detectives of Catalonia is an entity created in accordance with the Spanish law 2/1999 of the 30th March. Currently, it has over 500 members who exercise their professional work throughout the Spanish country.</p> <p>Concerning the Board Members, it is composed by the President, two Vice-Presidents, one secretary, one treasurer and five counsellors.</p> <p>Board meetings are carried out monthly and a General meeting, takes place annually. In April, generally.</p> <p>Moreover, we offer specific training for members and we develop a monthly newsletter called DCNews (http://collegidetectius.org/index.php/ca/revista-col-legi)</p>
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Code of Ethics

Directory of Members A directory of members by location is available at <http://collegidetectius.org/index.php/en/colegiados-3>

Membership selection process: Private Investigation is an activity regulated by the Spanish Law and an official license is required for professional practice. So, for practicing members, holding a license is enough to be able to join the Catalan Association.

Disqualification: Under the article 10.5 of the By-Laws

Disciplinary procedures: Under the Title VIII of the By-Laws

Country regulation on PI: PI is regulated by Law 23/92 "de Seguridad Privada" (later referred to as LSP) and its development regulations (<http://www.interior.gob.es/normativa-89/leyes-ordinarias-1324/ley-23-1992-de-30-de-julio-1443#art19>).

LSP establishes that the following activities can only be provided by PIs:

- i) To obtain and provide information and evidence of "private facts". By private facts it means anything related to matters other than public criminal offences, which are exclusive competence of Police.
- ii) To investigate private criminal offences (offences that are not prosecuted without prior complain of the offended).
- iii) To provide non-uniformed security services in hotels, grand stores, fairs and any other similar areas.

LSP establishes a clear separation between security and investigation. All other security activities different from non-uniformed security (such as man-guard, bodyguard, money transportation, access control...) are reserved to security companies and specifically forbidden to PDs. In the same way, security companies cannot provide services assigned to PDs.

Even though the investigation of public prosecuted crimes by PIs is forbidden in LSP, Spanish Criminal Courts have admitted PI investigations and their reports.

Professional practice is only allowed to people holding a Private Detective License, issued by the Ministry of Interior. The license number must be shown in all reports, adverts, business cards and any other documents issued by the PI.

The requirements to obtain a license are:

- Legal age.
- Nationality of any EU country.
- Clear criminal record.
- Not having been convicted by private offences regarding privacy.
- Not being public servant.
- Not being separated from Police or Army because of wrongdoing.
- Hold a university degree on Private Investigation (3 year studies).

The incorporation of PI reports to court files and the deposition of PI is regulated at the Civil Procedure Law (LEC). Article LEC 380 confers PDs a specific status and orders the Court to verify the PI's professional condition (by showing the license card). Moreover, LEC confers a mixed nature to PIs, as witness (regarding the facts discovered) and as an expert (regarding the conclusions stated at the report regarding the facts discovered).