



# Reform of the General Population Law with update on biometric CURP

## Impact – Low

**Context:** The Ministry of the Interior (SG), through the Mexico official gazette, published on 16 July 2025 the decree that reforms, adds, and repeals various provisions of the General Law on the Forced Disappearance of Persons, Disappearance Committed by Individuals, and the National System for the Search of Persons, as well as the General Population Law, to strengthen the search, location, and

identification of missing persons.

**What has changed?** Within the published decree and reforms to the General Population Law, articles 91, second paragraph; 91 Bis; 91 Ter; 91 Quater; 91 Quinquies; 91 Sexies; and 114 Bis were added, integrating biometric measures into the Unique Population Registry Code (CURP).

**What does this change represent?** The SG will implement mechanisms of coordination and collaboration

with various authorities at all levels of government for the purposes of the decree. The CURP that includes biometric data will be linked with the National Health System Registry, as provided by the General Health Law. It may also be integrated into other national registries and systems, in terms of applicable laws and regulations.

The National Population Registry (RNP) will have a Unique Identity Platform (PUI) for the consultation,

validation, and management of CURP, allowing the integration of the data referred to in article 91 Bis of this Law, to provide the National Personal Identification Service.

The digital version of the CURP as identification will be managed by the Digital Transformation and Telecommunications Agency (ATDT).

In the terms set by the Regulation of this Law, as well as other applicable legal provisions, the CURP must be used in the processes of validation and authentication of individuals' identities in digital media.

All public or private entities will be required to request the CURP for the provision of their procedures and services.

Authorities at all levels of government and private entities that fail to comply with the obligations set forth in article 91 Bis of this Law, after a warning for repeated non-compliance, will be sanctioned with fines ranging from 10,000 to 20,000 times the daily value of the Unit of Measure and Update.

#### **Who should consider this change?**

All public or private entities will be required to request the CURP for the provision of their procedures and services. Mexican and foreign nationals with an applicable immigration condition in Mexico.

**When will it be implemented?** The decree will come into effect the day after its publication, starting 17 July 2025.

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Decree, by no later than 14 October 2025, the SG, with technical support from the ATDT, will develop the PUI within a period not exceeding 90 calendar days following the entry into force of this Decree.

For the changes related to the CURP of the added provisions, authorities at all levels of government will enable, within no more than 90 calendar days following the entry into force of this Decree, the necessary mechanisms to allow consultation, transfer, and validation of the corresponding information for its integration into the CURP through the PUI.

For the purposes of article 91 Sexies of this provision, which establishes the mandatory use of these mechanisms, within 90 calendar days from the entry into force of this Decree, all public and private entities will adopt the necessary measures to include the CURP as a requirement in the procedures and services they are responsible for.

The SG, within no more than 120 calendar days following the entry into force of this Decree, will establish the Integration Program into the RNP of biometric data for children and adolescents, determining coordination and collaboration with relevant authorities at any level of government, which will effectively and mandatorily contribute to the integration of the CURP.

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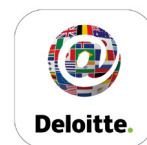
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