The Electronic Identity Card is a personal identification document that certifies the holder's identity, and it also work sas a means of authentication for online Government services.

Both Italian citizens and foreign nationals of any age can apply for an Electronic Identity Card, which has a credit card format and is issued by the Registry Office (Ufficio Anagrafe) in the Comune where they are resident.

For residents of Castelnuovo Rangone, the office is in Piazza Turati n. 10.

One must book an appointment beforehand calling one of the following numbers:

## 059/534830 - 059/534831 - 059/534832 - 059/534836 - 059/534837

The necessary documents are:

- 1 recent **passport photograph** (it can't be older than 6 months and it must follow the ICAO guidelines)
- a valid passport or other ID (Italian identity card if already owning one, Italian driving licence, residence permit);
- codice fiscale (the Italian tax code card/health card)

Minors must present themselves at the Registry Office with the necessary paperwork, in the presence of at least one of the parents in possession of a valid form of identification.

The card is delivered within **six working days**. The card costs  $\in$  22.21, which can be paid by credit card, debit card or in cash when the card is issued.

## Loss or Theft

The foreign national must go to the Registry Office with:

- **statement made with the Carabinieri** (Italian Police) or at the Questura (Police Headquarters);
- 1 recent passport photograph;
- a valid passport or other ID (Italian identity card if already owning one, Italian driving licence, residence permit);
- codice fiscale (the Italian tax code card/health card)
- if one citizen finds him or herself with no valid document, **two witnesses** must come to the office with him or her to vouch for his or her identity

## How long is the Identity Card valid?

In general, the identity card is valid for a period of **10 years** and can be renewed when expired. The application for renewal can be made in the 180 days prior to the expiry date.

It is necessary to know that the identity card is only valid as a travel document for Italian citizens. It is **not valid abroad** both for EU and non-EU citizens, and it serves exclusively as an identification document.

It also does not authorise the holder to remain in Italy without a residence permit or with an expired residence permit.