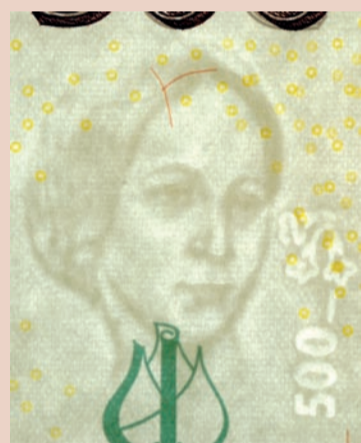


CZK 500 BANKNOTE 2009 VERSION



On 1 April 2009 the Czech National Bank will put into circulation a new 2009 version of the CZK 500 banknote. The banknote is based on the same design and has the same dimensions and parameters as the earlier versions. However, its protection against counterfeiting has been enhanced significantly. The existing protective elements have been changed and new ones added, and other alterations have been made to the design. This poster describes only some of the protective elements, intended for the general public and visible to the naked eye. The other elements are described in the CNB leaflet *CZK 500 banknote, 2009 version* and at www.cnb.cz.

The main differences on the 2009 version of the CZK 500 banknote are as follows:



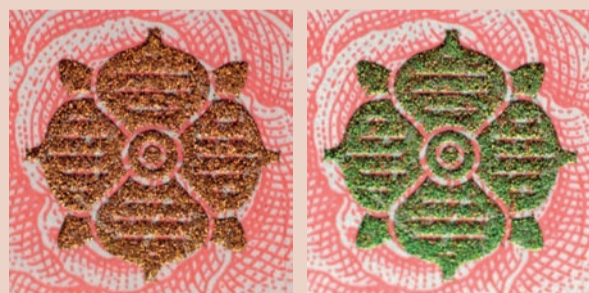
watermark with portrait of Božena Němcová visible against light now also contains number 500 with primrose flower



year 2009



Governor's signature "Tůma"



front view

tilted banknote

stylised flower of four-petal rose printed in optically variable ink that changes colour from gold to green when tilted



face side

against the light

security windowed thread 3 mm wide with recurring hatched negative microtext "ČNB 500 Kč"



front view

tilted banknote

metallic security windowed thread changes colour from puce to green when tilted

THE 1995 AND 1997 VERSIONS OF THE CZK 500 BANKNOTE WILL REMAIN LEGAL TENDER!

THE 1993 VERSION OF THE CZK 500 BANKNOTE, WHICH HAS ALREADY CEASED TO BE LEGAL TENDER, WILL REMAIN EXCHANGEABLE AT THE CZECH NATIONAL BANK!

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