

Approved  
by Decision of the Danceni Local Council No. 2/3  
of 27 April 2023

**STATUTE OF THE VILLAGE OF DANCENI  
Ialoveni District, Republic of Moldova**

**CHAPTER I**

**General Provisions**

**Article 1.**

This Statute is adopted by the Danceni Local Council in accordance with Article 14 letter m) of **Law No. 436-XVI of 28 December 2006 on Local Public Administration**, and **Law No. 436 of 28 December 2006 on the framework statute of villages (communes), towns and municipalities**.

This Statute regulates the organization and functioning of the local public administration authorities of the Village of Danceni.

**Article 2.**

Pursuant to **Law No. 764-XV of 27 December 2001 on the administrative-territorial organisation of the Republic of Moldova**, the Village of Danceni is a **Level I administrative-territorial unit** within Ialoveni District.

The official name of the administrative-territorial unit is **Village of Danceni, Ialoveni District, Republic of Moldova**.

According to the 2004 population census, the village had **2,796 inhabitants**, of whom:

- men – 53.36%;
- women – 46.64%.

The ethnic structure of the population according to the census was as follows:

- Moldovans – 94.53%;
- Ukrainians – 2.11%;
- Russians – 2.22%;
- Gagauz – 0.07%;
- Bulgarians – 0.32%;
- Roma – 0.43%;
- other ethnic groups – 0.32%.

At the time of the census, **728 households** were registered in the village, with an average household size of **3.5 persons**.

The administrative territory of the Village of Danceni covers **1,362.76 ha**, including:

- private property – 867.10 ha;
- public property – 257.36 ha;
- forest belts and forests – 93.00 ha;
- land under water – 240.79 ha;
- roads – 74.00 ha;
- streets – 19.05 ha;
- other land – 30.49 ha.

The village is geographically located along the **Ișnovăț** River. The distance to the Municipality of Chișinău is **15 km**, and to the town of Ialoveni **5 km**.

## **CHAPTER II**

### **Official Symbols of the Village**

#### **Article 3.**

The **Coat of Arms and the Flag of the Village of Danceni** are the official symbols of the village and represent the local community in relations with other communities and authorities.

The Coat of Arms and the Flag of the Village of Danceni were approved by Decision of the Danceni Village Council No. 08-04 of 17 October 2013 and shall be registered in the **General Armorial of the Republic of Moldova**.

#### **Article 4. Coat of Arms**

The coat of arms consists of a **cherry-red shield** bearing the **heraldic emblem of the Ureche family** (a label with three rectangular pendants, the central pendant crossed), in gold, surmounting a **silver fish placed horizontally** in the base of the shield. The shield is crowned with a **golden communal crown**.

#### **Article 5. Flag**

The flag is a **square cherry-red field** bearing the Ureche family emblem in gold, surmounting a **white fish placed horizontally** in the lower third of the field.

## **CHAPTER III**

### **Local Public Authorities**

#### **Article 6. Local Council**

The Danceni Local Council is elected in accordance with the **Electoral Code of the Republic of Moldova** and the **Law on Local Public Administration**. It exercises its powers in matters of local interest and operates in accordance with the Regulation on the organization and functioning of the local council approved by council decision.

The composition, establishment, powers and functioning of the Local Council are regulated by the Law on Local Public Administration.

### **Article 7. Mayor**

The Mayor is the representative authority of the population of the Village of Danceni and the executive authority of the Local Council. The Mayor participates in Local Council meetings with the right to submit proposals and draft decisions, without voting rights.

The Mayor exercises his or her duties in accordance with **Law No. 436-XVI of 28 December 2006 on Local Public Administration** and the **Law on Administrative Decentralization**.

### **Article 8. Mayor's Office (City Hall)**

The Mayor's Office is the administrative structure assisting the Mayor in the exercise of his or her duties.

According to the approved staffing schedule, the Mayor's Office comprises the following positions:

- Mayor – 1;
- Secretary – 1;
- Chief Accountant – 1;
- Accountant – 1;
- Land Management Specialist – 1;
- Local Tax Collection Specialist – 1.

## **CHAPTER IV**

### **Public Institutions**

#### **Article 9.**

The main public institutions operating within the territory of the Village of Danceni include:

- “Alexandrina Rusu” Gymnasium;
- “Albinuta” Early Education Institution;
- “Andrei Vartic” Public Library;
- Cultural Centre;
- Public Health Centre;
- Post Office;
- Church.

The village benefits from a network of asphalt, gravel and unpaved roads.

## CHAPTER V

### Historical Overview

#### Article 10.

The Village of Danceni is located in a hilly area near forested land and a water body, which gives the settlement a distinctive landscape character. Archaeological evidence confirms the ancient origin of the settlement.

Between 1974 and 1978, a necropolis measuring approximately  $300 \times 400$  m was excavated in the western part of the village. Approximately 8,000 ceramic fragments, including 12 amphorae, were discovered. According to archaeologist I.A. Rafalovici, these findings date to the **3rd–4th centuries AD**.

The earliest documented attestation of the village dates to **16 April 1617**, during the reign of Radu Vodă. No earlier documentary evidence is currently known.

## CHAPTER VI

### Cultural Life and Traditions

#### Article 11.

Since 2003, the traditional **Day of the Fountains** has been revived. The celebration takes place on Holy Sunday and involves the decoration of public fountains, cultural performances, religious ceremonies and community gatherings.

Another major celebration is the **village patron saint's day, Saint Dumitru**, marked by religious services, cultural events and community festivities.

The majority of the inhabitants of the Village of Danceni adhere to the **Orthodox Christian faith**, alongside a small Evangelical Baptist community.

## CHAPTER VII

### Property and Patrimony

#### Article 12.

In accordance with the Law on Local Public Administration and the Law on the administrative-territorial organization of the Republic of Moldova, the Village of Danceni possesses its own patrimony, distinct from that of the state and other administrative-territorial units, consisting of movable and immovable property from the public and private domain of the village.

All assets belonging to the village are subject to annual inventory. The alienation, concession, lease or rental of village property shall be carried out through public auction, in accordance with the law, except where otherwise expressly provided by law.

## **CHAPTER VIII**

### **Transparency and Citizen Participation**

#### **Article 13.**

In order to ensure transparency in the decision-making process, draft decisions of the Local Council requiring public consultation are published on public notice boards and on the official website of the Mayor's Office, in accordance with **Law No. 239 of 13 November 2008 on transparency in the decision-making process** and **Law No. 100 of 22 December 2017 on normative acts**.

Citizens of the Village of Danceni have the right to participate in the political, economic, social, cultural and sports life of the community. In matters of particular importance, the population may be consulted through local referenda, public hearings or general assemblies, organised in accordance with the law.

## **CHAPTER IX**

### **Inter-Municipal and International Cooperation**

#### **Article 14.**

The Village of Danceni may join national and international associations of administrative-territorial units and establish cooperation and twinning relations with other local public authorities, in accordance with the law and decisions of the Local Council.

The Village of Danceni has concluded twinning agreements with:

- Snagov Commune, Romania (2018);
- Filipeștii de Pădure Commune, Romania (2022).

## **CHAPTER X**

### **Final Provisions**

#### **Article 15.**

This Statute shall enter into force on the date of its adoption by the Danceni Local Council.