

Please read the important notes over the page before filling in this form.

Please use **CAPITAL LETTERS** and fill this form in black ink. Please put against all that apply:
This form only applies to European Community/European Economic Area (EC/EEA) licence holders.
GB licence holders should use form 'Application for a driving licence' (D1) to apply for a photocard driving licence.

Do you have a licence to drive:

- buses – with 9 or more passenger seats or
- lorries – weighing more than 3.5 tonnes?
- are you a holder of a NI driving licence? See note A.
- was your licence issued by a European country? See note D.
- are you currently resident in the UK?
- do you wish to sit a test in the UK?

If you can answer Yes to one or more of these questions – please read on.

1 What are you applying for? (See note B)

- First application to register your licence
- Removing out of date endorsements
- To replace my licence counterpart as it has been:
lost stolen defaced destroyed

Add the following provisional entitlement to drive:
(See note I for vehicle category descriptions)

- Motorcycles – category A
- Car – category B
- Car with trailer – category B + E
- Road rollers, tracked vehicles – category g, h
- Large vehicles – category C
- Medium-sized vehicles – category C1
- Large vehicles with trailers – category C + E
- Medium-sized vehicles with trailers – category C1 + E
- Buses – category D
- Minibuses – category D1
- Buses with trailers – category D + E
- Minibuses with trailers – category D1 + E

When applying for provisional bus/lorry entitlement you also need to submit a Medical Examination Report (D4).

2 Convictions (See note F)

Your conduct

If you are applying for lorry entitlement, you should give details of findings of guilt, fixed penalties and cautions relating to drivers' hours or records, roadworthiness or loading vehicles. If you are applying for minibus or bus entitlement, you should also tell us about any findings of guilt, fixed penalties and cautions for non-driving offences. Please also tell us about any driving offences committed by you.

Date of offence	Court	Offence	Sentence or fine

Use a separate sheet if you need to and attach it to this form.

3 Your details

Title: Mr Mrs Miss Ms Other (for example, Dr)

Surname:

First names:

Date of birth:

Full current address

House No.

Postcode:

Address on any previous counterparts:

Country you were born in:

What date did you come to live in the UK?

If possible, please provide a daytime phone number and/or email address where we can contact you if there is a problem with your application.

Full phone/mobile number:

Email address:

Please enclose your current European Community/European Economic Area licence. It will be returned to you.

Country of issue

Licence number

4 Your signature

You must fill in this section.

Signature

Date

Important notes

A Northern Ireland licence holders only

As a result of a change in legislation, from April 2009 Northern Ireland licence holders no longer have to apply for a GB counterpart to take advantage of the fixed penalty system.

B Registering your licence

The law requires all those who live in Britain who drive buses – from 9 passenger seats – and vehicles weighing more than 3.5 tonnes – to be registered with the Driver and Vehicle Licensing Agency (DVLA).

Drivers who exchange their licence in Britain are automatically registered.

You are required by law to do this within 12 months of your taking up residence.

If your licence is lost or stolen, you would probably not be able to get a duplicate of your licence from the country it was issued in. However you will be able to apply for a GB licence from DVLA.

Note: As a result of a change in legislation from April 2009, European Community (EC) or European Economic Area (EEA) licence holders will no longer be required to possess a GB counterpart to take advantage of the fixed penalty system.

How to register

Please fill in this form and send it, together with all parts of your national driving licence, to DVLA, Swansea SA99 1BH. If you are an EC/EEA licence holder you will be issued with a GB counterpart licence document.

C Driving licence rules in GB

As the holder of a licence issued by another EU member state or one issued in Iceland, Liechtenstein or Norway (see note D), provided your licence remains valid, you can drive in GB until age 70 or for three years after becoming resident whichever is the longer period. Expired licences are acceptable to exchange for a GB licence.

The rules for holding a GB driving licence are almost certainly different from those in the country in which your licence was issued. The rules in Great Britain for medical, driving conduct, road safety and driving licence renewal are those which you must observe if you live here.

Bus/Lorry drivers

When you are 45 years old and over, you will have to renew your licence every five years – 65 year olds have to renew annually – subject to passing a medical examination by your doctor. Once your EC/EEA licence expires or you reach the above age limits you must apply to DVLA for a UK licence.

D Relevant countries

You can register with us if your EU licence was obtained by exchanging a licence from one of the countries listed below. If your EU licence was obtained by exchanging from a country not listed below you will not be able to register. However, you will still be able to drive in the UK on your licence for up to a year, after which time you will have to apply for a GB licence.

These are the relevant countries:

Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Cyprus, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain and Sweden.

E Medical conditions

If you have ever had or presently suffer from any of the following conditions you must write to the Drivers Medical Group, DVLA, Swansea SA99 1TU or phone 0300 790 6806 with the nature of your condition, as it may affect your fitness to drive.

- Diabetes controlled by **insulin**
- Diabetes controlled by tablets
- Epilepsy
- **Any conditions** affecting **either** eye. **Not including colour blindness or short or long sight**
- **Any form** of stroke including TIA
- Fits or blackouts
- **Any type** of brain surgery, severe head injury involving **in-patient** treatment, or brain tumour
- Angina, other heart condition or heart operation
- An implanted cardiac pacemaker
- An implanted cardiac defibrillator (ICD)
- **Repeated** attacks of sudden disabling giddiness
- Any other **chronic** neurological condition including Multiple Sclerosis, Motor Neurone and Huntington's Disease
- A **serious** problem with memory **or** periods of confusion
- Persistent alcohol misuse or dependency
- Persistent drug misuse or dependency
- **Serious** psychiatric illness or mental ill-health
- Parkinson's disease
- Sleep apnoea syndrome
- Narcolepsy
- **Any condition** affecting your visual field
- **Total** loss of sight in one eye
- Any persisting limb problem which needs driving to be restricted to certain types of vehicle or those with adapted controls
- **Severe** learning disability

YOU MUST TELL US IMMEDIATELY ABOUT A RELEVANT CONDITION OR A CONDITION GETTING WORSE, YOU COULD HAVE TO PAY A FINE OF UP TO £1000 IF YOU DO NOT.

F Your conduct – Large goods and passenger carrying vehicles

In all cases of questionable conduct the Traffic Commissioner for the area in which you live will decide whether to grant your entitlement to drive large goods or passenger carrying vehicles

Driving conduct

You must tell us if you have any convictions for breaking the rules about:

- driver's hours
- the roadworthiness of vehicles
- driver's records
- overloading of vehicles

Do not tell us about any convictions if they were more than four years ago.

All endorsements on your licence will be taken into account when it is decided whether to give you entitlement to drive in GB. We will not give you entitlement to drive if you are disqualified from driving.

Non-Driving conduct

Passenger carrying vehicle drivers only

If you drive a minibus and/or bus, you must let us know about **any** court convictions you have had – **even if they are not to do with driving**, unless they have run out under the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974.

G Data protection

Information contained on this form and the driving licence record to which it relates may be passed to other Government Organisations and law enforcement agencies. This would be for the purpose of checking your application and for the prevention and detection of crime.

H Where to send your application













Please send your application with your EC/EEA driving licence (and documentary evidence if required) to DVLA, Swansea SA99 1BH.

If you have any questions about these arrangements, you can contact us in any of the following ways:

- Phone **0300 790 6801** between 8am and 8.30pm Monday to Friday, or between 8am and 5pm on Saturdays.
- Email **www.direct.gov.uk/emaildvla**
- If you are deaf or hard of hearing and have a textphone, phone **0300 123 1278**.

I Vehicle category descriptions

All weights refer to Maximum Authorised Mass (MAM) unless stated otherwise.

Category	Description	Minimum age	Notes
A1	 Motorcycles Light motorcycles with an engine size of up to 125cc and a power output of up to 11kW (14.6bhp).	17	
A	Medium-sized motorcycles up to 25kW (33bhp) and a power to weight ratio of up to 0.16kW/kg. Motorcycles with a sidecar and a power to weight ratio of up to 0.16kW/kg.	17	
A	Any size motorcycle, with or without a sidecar if you have completed the large motorcycle Direct Access Scheme.	21	See note 1
B1	 Three or four-wheeled light vehicles Motor tricycles, quadricycles and three or four wheeled vehicles with an unladen weight no more than 550kg.	17	See note 2
B	 Cars Motor vehicle with a MAM of up to 3,500kg, no more than eight passenger seats with or without a trailer – weighing no more than 750kg. As category B but with a trailer weighing more than 750kg. The total weight of the vehicle and trailer together can't weigh more than 3,500kg. The weight of the trailer, when fully loaded, can't weigh more than the unladen weight of the vehicle.	17	See note 2
B auto	Automatic cars As category B with automatic transmission.	17	See note 2
B+E	 Cars with trailers As category B but with a heavier trailer that isn't covered in the descriptions for category B.	17	See note 9
C1	 Medium-sized vehicles Vehicles weighing between 3,500kg and 7,500kg, with or without a trailer weighing no more than 750kg.	18	See notes 3 and 9
C1+E	 Medium-sized vehicles with trailers As category C1 but with a trailer weighing more than 750kg. The total weight of the vehicle and the trailer can't weigh more than 12,000kg. The weight of the trailer, when fully loaded, can't weigh more than the unladen weight of the vehicle.	21	See notes 3, 4 and 9
C	 Large vehicles Vehicles over 3,500kg, with a trailer up to 750kg.	21	See note 4
C+E	 Large vehicles with trailers As category C but with a trailer over 750kg.	21	See note 4
D1	 Minibuses Vehicles with a minimum of nine and a maximum of 16 passenger seats, with or without a trailer – weighing no more than 750kg.	21	See notes 5 and 9
D1+E	 Minibuses with trailers As category D1 but with a trailer over 750kg. The total weight of the vehicle and the trailer together can't weigh more than 12,000kg. The weight of the trailer, when fully loaded, can't weigh more than the unladen weight of the vehicle.	21	See notes 5 and 9
D	 Buses Any bus with more than eight passenger seats, with a trailer up to 750kg.	21	See notes 5 and 8
D+E	 Buses with trailers As category D but with a trailer over 750kg.	21	See note 8
f	Agricultural tractors	17	See note 6
g	Roadrollers	21	See note 7
h	Tracked vehicles	21	See notes 4 and 10
k	Mowing machines or vehicles controlled by someone on foot	16	
p	Mopeds with an engine size of up to 50cc and a maximum speed of up to 50km/h.	16	

Note 1 You can ride a large motorcycle at any age, two years after passing a test on a medium-size motorcycle.

Note 2 Age 16 if you are currently getting Disability Living Allowance at the higher rate (mobility component).

Note 3 You can drive at age 18 if you got your driving licence before 10 September 2009 and the weight of the vehicle and trailer together is under 7,500kg.

Note 4 You can drive at age 17 if a member of the armed services. You can drive at 18 if one of the following apply:

- you passed your driving test and Driver Certificate of Professional Competence (Driver CPC) initial qualification
- you are learning to drive or taking a driving test for this category or Driver CPC initial qualification
- you are taking a national vocational training course to get a Driver CPC initial qualification, or
- you had your driving licence before 10 September 2009, you must take the CPC periodic training within 5 years of this date.

Note 5 You can drive at 17 if member of armed forces.

You can drive at 18:

(i) while learning to drive or taking your passenger carrying vehicle (PCV) test or Certificate of Professional Competence (CPC) Initial Qualification or

(ii) After passing a PCV test and CPC Initial Qualification when:

- driving on a regular service where the route does not exceed 50km, or
- not engaged in the carriage of passengers, or
- while undergoing a national vocational training course to obtain a CPC Initial Qualification; or

- (iii) If the PCV licence was obtained before 10 September 2008, when:
- driving on a regular service where the route does not exceed 50km, or
 - not engaged in the carriage of passengers, or
 - driving a vehicle of a class included in sub-category D1, and
 - driving under a bus operator's licence, minibus permit or community bus permit.

For further advice you will need to contact the Driving Standards Agency on 0300 200 1122 or you can email drivercpc@dsa.gsi.gov.uk

Note 6 At 16 you can drive tractors less than 2.45m wide. It must only pull trailers less than 2.45m wide with two wheels, or four wheels that are close-coupled.

Note 7 At 17 you can drive small roadrollers with metal or hard rollers. They must not be steam powered, weigh more than 11.69 tonnes or be made for carrying loads.

Note 8 You need category D entitlement to drive an articulated bus (for example, a 'bendibus'). You can get more details from us.

Note 9 If you passed your test for category B or B automatic before 1 January 1997 your licence will already show C1, C1E (8.25 tonnes), D1, D1E (not for hire or reward) as entitlement.

Note 10 You can drive at 17 if the maximum authorised mass of the tracked vehicle is not more than 3,500kg.