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For the song by Olivia Rodrigo, see Drivers License (song).A Polish driving permit in the format of the standardized European driving licence styleA driver's license, driving licence, or driving permit is a legal authorization, or the official document confirming such an authorization, for a specific individual to operate one or more types of motorized vehiclessuch as motorcycles, cars, trucks, or busses on a public road. Such licenses are often plastic and the size of a credit card. In most international agreements, the wording "driving permit" is used, for instance in the Vienna Convention on Road Traffic. In American English, the terms "driver license" or "driver's license" are used. In Australian English, Canadian English and New Zealand English, the terms "driver licence" or "driver's licence" are used[1] while in British English the term is "driving licence". In some countries the term "driving license" is used.The laws relating to the licensing of drivers vary between jurisdictions. In some jurisdictions, a permit is issued after the recipient has passed a driving test, while in others a person acquires their permit or a learner's permit before beginning to drive. Different categories of permit often exist for different types of motor vehicles, particularly large trucks and passenger vehicles. The difficulty of the driving test varies considerably between jurisdictions, as do factors such as age and the required level of competence and practice.The world's first permit to drive a motor vehicle, issued to Karl Benz upon his requestKarl Benz, inventor of the modern car, received a written "Genehmigung" (permit) from the Grand Ducal authorities to operate his car on public roads in 1888 after residents complained about the noise and smell of his Motorwagen.[2] Up until the start of the 20th century, European authorities issued similar permits to drive motor vehicles ad hoc, if at all.[2]Mandatory licensing for drivers in the United Kingdom came into force on 1 January 1904[3] after the Motor Car Act 1903 received royal assent. Every car owner had to register their vehicle with their local government authority and be able to prove registration of their vehicle on request. The minimum qualifying age was set at 17. The "driving licence" gave its holder 'freedom of the road' with a maximum 20mph (32km/h) speed limit.[4] Compulsory testing was introduced in 1934, with the passing of the Road Traffic Act.[5]Prussia, then a kingdom within the German Empire, introduced compulsory licensing on 29 September 1903. A test on mechanical aptitude had to be passed, and the Dampfkesselerzeugnisseverein ("steam boiler" or "boiler makers' association") was charged with conducting these tests.[2] In 1910, the German imperial government mandated the licensing of drivers on a national scale, establishing a system of tests and driver's education requirements that was adopted in other countries.[2]Other countries in Europe also introduced driving tests during the twentieth century, the last of them being Belgium where, until as recently as 1977, it was possible to purchase and hold a permit without having to undergo a driving test.[6]As traffic-related fatalities soared in North America, public outcry provoked legislators to begin studying the French and German statutes as models.[7] On 1 August 1910, North America's first licensing law for motor vehicles went into effect in the U.S. state of New York, though it initially applied only to professional chauffeurs.[8] In July 1913, the state of New Jersey became the first to require all drivers to pass a mandatory examination before being licensed.[9]In 1909, the Convention with Respect to the International Circulation of Motor Vehicles[10] recognized the need for qualifications, examination, and authorization for international driving.The notion of an "International Driving Permit" was first mooted in an international convention held in Paris in 1926.[11]Screenshot of Annex 6 of the "Convention on Road Traffic" volume 125 of Geneva convention 1949In 1949, the United Nations hosted the Geneva Convention on Road Traffic that standardised rules on roads, occupants, rules, signs, driver's permits and such. It specified that national "driving permits" should be pink and that an "International Driving Permit" for driving in a number of countries should have grey covers with white pages and that "The entire last page shall be drawn up in French".[12][13]In 1968, the Vienna Convention on Road Traffic, ratified in 1977 and further updated in 2011, further modernised these agreements.[14]Itbts main regulations about drivers permits are in Annex 6 (Domestic Driving Permit) and Annex 7 (International Driving Permit). The currently active version of those is in force in each contracting party no later than "29 March 2011" (Article 43). Article 41 of the convention describes key requirements:every driver of a motor vehicle must hold appropriate documentation;"driving permits" can be issued only after passing theoretical and practical exams, which are regulated by each country or jurisdiction;Contracting parties shall recognize as valid for driving in their territories:"domestic driving permits" conforming to the provisions of Annex 6 to the convention;an "International Driving Permit" conforming to the provisions of Annex 7 to the convention, on condition that it is presented with the corresponding domestic driving permit;"domestic driving permits" issued by a contracting party shall be recognised in the territory of another contracting party until this territory becomes the place of normal residence of their holder;all of the above does not apply to learner-driver permits;the period of validity of an international driving permit shall be either no more than three years after the date of issue or until the date of expiry of the domestic driving permit, whichever is earlier;Contracting parties may refuse to recognize the validity of driving permits for persons under eighteen or, for categories C, D, CE and DE, under twenty-one;an international driving permit shall only be issued by the contracting party in whose territory the holder has their normal residence and that issued the domestic driving permit or that recognized the driving permit issued by another contracting party; it shall not be valid for use in that territory.In 2018, ISO/IEC standard 18013 was published which established guidelines for the design format and data content of an ISO-compliant driving licence (IDL). The design approach is to establish a secure domestic driving permit (DDP) and accompanying booklet for international use, instead of the international driving permit (IDP) paper document.[15][16] The main ideology is a minimum acceptable set of requirements with regards to content and layout of the data elements, with sufficient freedom afforded to the issuing authorities of driving licences to meet domestic needs. The ISO standard specifies requirements for a card that is aligned with the UN Conventions on Road Traffic.[17] This standard however has no official mandate or recognition from the WP.1 of UNECE as a replacement for the current IDP standards as described in the 1949 and 1968 Conventions.[citation needed]The specifications of the layout of the booklet is defined in Annex G of ISO/IEC 18013-1:2018. There are two options: a booklet with some personalisation or a booklet with no personalisation. The booklet shall be marginally larger than an ID-1 size card, with an insert pocket for storage of the card, and for convenient carrying of the booklet. The front cover should include the logo of the UN or the issuing country and the words "Translation of Driving Licence" and "Traduction du Permis de Conduire ". A driver's license for the moon presented to then NASA Administrator James E. WebbMany countries, including Australia, New Zealand, Canada, the United Kingdom, and the United States, have no national identification cards. Since many people do have driving permits, they are often accepted as proof of identity. In some territories, non-drivers can apply for identification-only cards with a similar format to a driving permit. Most identity cards and driving permits are credit card sizethe "ID-1" size and shape defined in ISO/IEC 7810.A Hong Kong Driving Licence carries the same number as the holder's ID card, but has no photograph. As such, it is not a legal document for proof of age for purchase of alcohol. Upon control, both must be presented. Plans to make the newly passed in Smart ID contain driver licensing information have been shelved.Similarly, the Saudi Arabian government require all drivers to carry an ID card in addition to a driving permit and present them whenever requested. In Saudi Arabia using a permit instead is only permitted if the request is made for on-site inspection/identification purposes, especially at checkpoints. Expatriates may be requested to present their visas as well. In India, Japan, South Korea, and Singapore, driving permit cards are widely used as identification.[18]Many European countries require drivers to produce their permit on demand when driving. Some European countries require adults to carry proof of identity at all times, but a driving permit is not valid for identification in every European country.[19]In the United Kingdom, most drivers are not required to carry their "Driving Licence". A driver may be required by a constable or vehicle examiner to produce this, but may provide it at a specified police station within seven days.[20] the police issue a form for this purpose.[21]In Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway, Spain and Sweden, the driving permit number is listed along with the bearer's national identification number. Banks and public authorities use the same number for customer databases, making the permit fully useful for identification purposes. In Canada, Mexico, and the United States, driving permits are issued by the provinces or states, respectively, (or either country's territories), and do not look the same nationwide. They are also used as a de facto or government-issued identification document for the holder.The American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators provides a standard for the design of driving permits and identification cards issued by AAMVA member jurisdictions, which include all 50 US states, the District of Columbia, and Canadian territories and provinces. The newest card design standard released is the 2020 AAMVA DL/ID Card Design Standard (CDS).[22] Most government issuers of driving permits also provide a government-issued identification card with similar attributes to those residents within their jurisdictions who do not have or maintain a valid driving permit, making it easier for them to do things such as open a bank account and perform any other activities that require official identification. Identification cards serve as government-issued photo ID but do not enable a person to operate a motor vehicle, a fact typically noted on the ID via the phrase "Not a driver's licence" or similar wording. This type of photo ID is referred to as a Photo Card in some jurisdictions (for example, the Ontario Photo Card). In Canada and the United States, the abbreviation DLN is commonly used for a driver's license number. Five states in the northern United States (Michigan, Minnesota, New York, Vermont and Washington) and two provinces in Canada (British Columbia and Manitoba) also offer an "enhanced driver's license" (EDL), which is a driving permit that has an embedded RFID chip and is accepted at the federal level in lieu of a passport for land and sea (but not air) border crossings between the US and Canada. The EDL program was also previously offered in Ontario and Quebec, but is no longer offered there.[23]In the Dominican Republic, the driving permit number is the same as the citizen's ID number. In Venezuela, the driving permit number is the same as the citizen's ID number.This section needs additional citations for verification. Please help improve this article by adding citations to reliable sources in this section. If you are unable to find any sources, the article may still be deleted. Unsourced material may be challenged and removed. (July 2012) (Learn how and when to remove this message)Driving permits in Europe are divided into categories. In the United States, New Zealand, Australia, the UK, Ireland and sometimes Canada, people who drive commercially are required to have permits. The cost of taking the tests and examinations usually means that an employer will subsidize their drivers.Egyptian citizens are entitled to a driver's license once they have reached the age of 18. To obtain their licences, applicants must pass a driving test as well as several computer test. To pass, all a person had to do was drive six metres forward and then reverse six metres. The test was updated to make it more difficult; now the applicant has to get 8 out of 10 answers correct in a computer test,[24] then pass a forward and reverse S-track test in addition to an assessment of parking skills.[25]Main article: Driver and Vehicle Licensing Authority (Ghana)Driver's licensing in Ghana is conducted by the nation's Driver and Vehicle Licensing Authority. The legal driving age is 18.The legal driving age is 18 years old. The permit must include:Id numberNameDate of issueClass of vehicleThe legal driving age of Moroccan citizens is 21.[26]In Nigeria, the minimum age to qualify for a drivers licence is 18. The applicant would first attend training at an accredited driving school. Then, the driving school will present the applicant to a Vehicle Inspection Officer (VIO) for a driving test. Upon passing the driving test the applicant would obtain a certificate of proficiency from the VIO. The applicant then completes a drivers license application form at the Drivers License Centre (DLC) or downloads the form online. Afterwards he pays a license fee online or at the Bank and presents his application form to the Board of Internal Revenue (BIR) Officer and the DLC for endorsement. After all the procedures are complete he goes to the Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC) Office in the DLC for biometric data capture. He is given a temporary drivers license which is valid for 60 days. He picks up the original drivers licence at the BIR Office after 60 days.Main article: Driving licence in South AfricaThe minimum driving age in South Africa is 17, where drivers may drive with an adult who holds a valid driving licence, after passing a learner's theory test. At 18, a driving licence can be obtained after passing the road test. Small motorcycles may be driven from the age of 16. To obtain a permit, applicants must pass a written or computer-based test to obtain a learner's licence, and then pass a road test to obtain the driving licence. Categories for permits include CODE B (normal vehicles), CODE C1 (LDV), CODE EC (heavy trucks), CODE A (motorcycle).The learners license theory test will contain three sets of questions with multiple answer options; test-takers will have to select the correct answer. Some Driving Licence Test Centres use computers for the test, whereas others require test-takers to complete the test using a test paper and pen.[27]Driving licences are issued by the Tanzania Revenue Authority. The legal driving age for motorcycles is 16 and for other motor vehicles is 18.[28]Zimbabwean drivers licences are issued by the Vehicle Inspection Department (VID) which is an arm of the government under the Ministry of Transport & Infrastructural Development.[29] Drivers can be licensed for class 4 vehicles at the age of sixteen and eighteen for class 2 vehicles. Public transport vehicles are in class 1 and the minimum age is twenty five. A theory based learners licence which has 25 questions is the first step. The questions for this test include diagrams, road rules and road signs and has to be answered in under eight minutes. After passing the test, the candidate gets a provisional learners licence which enables the candidate to drive under supervision from a driving instructor or anyone with a full driving licence.Vehicle class[30]Type of vehiclesDescriptionMinimum ageMinimum test scoreClass 1 BusesPublic service vehicles (for passenger transport)[25]100%Class 2 TrucksHeavy vehicles with net mass above 2,300kg[18]100%Class 3 MotorcyclesMotorcycles[68]68%Class 4 CarsLight motor vehicles under 2,300kg net mass[68]68%Class 5 Tractors/Earth moving equipmentFarm and construction vehicles[68]68%[31]After the theory test learner drivers have to start practical driving lessons covering key driving skills. To qualify for a driving test one must have completed thirty lessons.Skills tested in the driving test include:SkillDescriptionSkill being testedHill StartStarting vehicle on an upward incline and proceeding without rolling backwardsClutch controlThree Point TurnTurning a vehicle around to face the opposite direction in a limited spaceUse of gears, mirrors and vehicle controlParallel ParkingParking a vehicle parallel to the road in line with other parked vehiclesManeuvering around other vehicles, reversing and clutch controlReversingCommonly known as drums because candidates have to successfully reverse through a set of drums without bumping into any - an immediate failVehicle control in reverse and clutch controlCity DrivingDriving through urban roads, route planning and avoidance of busy roads and intersectionsObserving road rules and signs attention to hazards. Special attention to pedestrians and cyclists. Paying attention to actions of other road usersMain article: Driving licence in AzerbaijanMain article: Driver's license in ChinaMain article: Driving licence in Hong KongThe minimum age for holding a driving permit is 18 for private cars, light goods vehicle, motorcycles and motor-tricycles. For commercial vehicles the age is 21.[32]Drivers are legally obliged to carry a valid driving licence whilst driving and this must be produced if required to do so by a police officer.[33]People older than 70 have to undergo strict medical tests in order to obtain a permit that has limited validity and requires renewal after a certain period.Main article: Driving licence in IndiaThe minimum driving age in India is 16 to drive any kind of gearless motorcycle like scooters and mopeds, and 18 for cars, three wheelers (with automatic or manual transmissions) and motorcycles with gear like motorcycles or scooters with manual transmissions.[34]Unlike certain countries which issue driving licenses based on the engine capacity of vehicles, transmission is the only criteria for issuing licenses in India.Every state and union territory have Regional Transport Offices (RTO/RTA) which issue their own driving licenses to people living in their jurisdictions. Drivers are legally obliged to carry a valid driving licence in India while operating a vehicle, and it must be produced if required to do so by a police officer.People applying for a driving licence for the first time, or adding a class of vehicle in their existing licence have to apply for a learner's license (L) first, which is valid for six months. This legally certifies LL holders as valid drivers as long as they drive only for training and have a licensed driver accompanying them. Driving a vehicle on public roads without a licensed driver or a trainer is an offence which attracts fines.After the training, people apply for a permanent driving license test at their nearest RTOs. This can be done anytime before the expiry of the LL. A person is given a total of three attempts in these six months, and if one fails the third attempt, they have to go through the application of a new license all over again. In India, people aged 50 or more, have to undergo strict medical tests in order to obtain a permit that has limited validity and requires renewal every five years. A Commercial Driving License is valid for 3 years and then requires to be renewed.India introduced the universal smart card driving license in October 2019, and set up a nationwide driving license database to fight against duplication.[35]Main article: Driving licence in IndonesiaFront side of the Indonesian Driving License card "A" class for driving normal 4 wheel car/type vehicleRear/back side of the Indonesian driving license cardIn Indonesia, to drive a motor vehicle, one must own a legal Indonesian Driving License (Indonesian: Surat Izin Mengemudi or SIM). It is a card which legally permits one to drive a motor vehicle. In Indonesia, there are classes for each driving licence which is allowed to drive a jeep or type of motor vehicle: A to drive private passenger or cargo vehicle with weight allowed not exceeding 3,500kg (7,700lb)A Public (A UMUM) - to drive commercial vehicles and goods carrier to the amount of weight that is allowed does not exceed 3,500kg (7,700lb)B1 to drive private passenger or cargo vehicle with weight allowed exceeding 3,500kg (7,700lb)B1 Public (B1 UMUM) - to drive passenger vehicles and general freight allowed amount of weight over 3,500kg (7,700lb)B2 - to drive heavy equipment vehicles, towing vehicles, or motor vehicles with attractive patch or trailer train individuals with severe or patches are allowed to train more than 1,000kg (2,200lb) trailerB2 Public (B2 UMUM) - to drive commercial vehicles for towing or pull cart trailer with heavy patch that are allowed to train more than 1,000kg trailerC to drive motorcycles (two-wheeled motor vehicle)D special vehicle for disabled personThe classes above are also allowed by the age of the driver according to the classes of the driving licence. The ages are accordingly issued to the different classes of the driver's choice:17 years old for issue of Driving License class: A, C, and D20 years old for issue of Driving License class: B121 years old for issue of Driving License class: B2Main article: Driving licence in IsraelMain article: Driving licence in JapanJapanese driver's licenses bear one of the following 3 colors on the expiration date.New Drivers (first license in Japan) is valid for 2 to 3 years. Drivers with under one year of driving experience are required to display a "Shoshinsha mark" (Young Leaf Mark) on their vehicle. This holds true if the driver acquires a license for a different class of vehicle, regardless of the length of driving experience on their previous license. However, such a mark does not indicate necessarily the color on the driver's license. A driver with a young leaf mark on their car could very well be a gold driver. This is because the gold status does not disappear with a change in vehicle class.Drivers who have fewer than 5 years of clean driving history or who do not have a clean driving record but more than 5 years of driving history. Valid for 3 to 5 years depending on age, violation history, etc.In addition to the regular license, the Gold Driver's License (, Grudo Menkyo), or Superior Drivers License (, Yryu Unsha Menkyosh), is a special designation of license given to "superior drivers" () in Japan. Holders of such licenses can be identified by the gold band printed over the expiration date of their driver's license.Superior Driver's License (Gold License)The Gold License is granted to any driver who, at the point of license renewal, has at least five years of clean driving history (no driving infractions).[36][37] According to implications in the Road Traffic Laws Reforms that took place on 10 May 1995, all such licenses are marked with a gold band over the license's expiration date as well as the word (excellent) printed in black, below. Those who hold a gold license have the added benefit of qualifying for the Superior Drivers Course at the time of renewal, a significantly shorter and less-expensive renewal process. In some cases, they can bypass the main license center and have their license renewed at a separate Superior Drivers License Renewal Center.[38]Moreover, because such license holders are proven to have been free of accidents and moving violations for at least five years, they are deemed low-risk and qualify for optional car insurance discounts. To qualify, drivers must be accident and violation-free for 5 years and 41 days prior to their birthday on their license's expiration. The period in which the license holder's driving history is reviewed begins on the 40th day prior to their birthday of that year. Should the license holder be deemed to qualify, they will receive a change in the mail with the word printed on it. Even the so-called "Paper Drivers" who hold licenses but never drive, who technically are without violation or accident, can lose their eligibility to obtain a gold license for several reasons including if their car is used by a drunk driver or to support drunk driving in any way.Main article: Driving licence in LebanonMain article: Driving licence in MalaysiaThe minimum age for obtaining a driving licence varies between 16 and 21, although there is a concern about teenage driving safety.[39]As of November 2011, drivers can renew their licence on their birthday, rather than expiry date.[40]The minimum age for a permit to ride two wheelers is 16. For light vehicles with four wheels it is 18. After 2 years experience with light vehicles a permit can be obtained to drive private hire and heavy vehicles. However, once the age of 60 years is reached permits can not be renewed for private hire and heavy vehicles.[41]There is an online procedure hosted by Nepal's Department of Transport Management with a written exam only for new applicants. Subsequent written exams are not necessary to add additional categories to an existing permit. A practical, road test is undertaken after passing the written exam.Main article: Driving licence in PakistanThe minimum age for eligibility for a learner's permit is 18 years. Drivers' information is recorded against the Computerized National ID Card number which is issued at the age of 18. The Licence Issuing Authorities vary in each district and work under the relevant District Police.A new credit card format driving licence has been introduced. The licence bears the digital photo, signature and blood group information of the card holder. A record of traffic violations is stored automatically in the database. To obtain a driving licence one must register for a learner's permit at any of the local District Police's designated licence offices and then, after 42 days, one can apply for test for a regular full licence.The test phase consists of a theory based test followed by a short practical test. Only those who pass the theory test are allowed to take the practical test. The whole test stage is a single day process where both tests are to be taken the same day. The driving licence currently issued holds basic information of the driver including name, Father's name, date of birth, address, authorized vehicle types, emergency contact, blood group, fingerprint impression, driver photo. The licence also has a magnetic strip though its viability is yet to be made public.Main article: Driving licence in the PhilippinesDriving permits in the Philippines consists of three types. These are Student Permit, Non-Professional and Professional. The minimum age for driving in the Philippines is 17 years old provided that the driver has applied for a Student Permit and is accompanied by a person with a Professional or Non-Professional permit. An applicant can only apply for a Non-Professional driving license one month after acquiring a Student Permit. An applicant needs to have a Non-Professional driving license for 1 week in order to be eligible for a Professional driving license. An applicant must pass both the Land Transportation Office written exam and a practical driving exam. If the applicant fails the tests, the applicant must wait for a month before being able to take the tests again.Main article: Driving licence in SingaporeDriving licences in Singapore are issued by the traffic police. The minimum age to obtain a provisional driving licence (PDL), which allows the holder to practice driving while under the supervision of an authorised driving instructor, is 18. A provisional driving licence is obtained once the individual has passed the basic theory test. PDL holders are then required to sit for and pass the final theory test before they are allowed to sit for the practical driving test. Once they have passed the practical driving test, they are issued with a driving licence which allows for driving without supervision. Upon passing the driving test, the applicant is required to display probationary plates when driving for the first year after their licence is issued.Main article: Driving licence in South KoreaIn South Korea, one must hold a driving licence called "" or an international driving permit. The international driving permit is valid for 1 year starting from the date of entry. If one is going to stay in South Korea longer than a year, it is necessary to change the international permit to a local permit by visiting the driver's license testing center. For South Korean driving licences, there are classes which permit driving different types of motor vehicle:1st Class (1) Large () A permit which allows one to drive every vehicle except trailers and wreckers. It allows one to drive cargo truck, passenger bus, construction equipment for commercial purposes. Type 1 Large permit holders can apply for a train driving license.Ordinary () Allows one to drive a vehicle with less than 15 seats, an emergency motor vehicle with less than 12 seats, a cargo truck with a load limit of 12 tonnes, a construction equipment which weighs less than 3 tonnes (does not include trailers and wreckers), a special motor vehicle which weighs less than 10 tonnes (does not include trailers and wreckers).Small () Allows one to drive a tricycle and a motorcycle. Not issued since 1984.Special (Large Trailer () Allows one to drive all types of trailer.Small Trailer () Allows one to drive a trailer under 3 tonnes with powered vehicle under 3.5 tonnes.Wrecker () Allows one to drive a tow truck.2nd Class (2)Ordinary () Allows one to drive a vehicle with less than 10 seats, a cargo truck with a load limit of 4 tonnes, a special motor vehicle which weighs less than 3.5 tonnes (does not include trailers and wreckers).Small () Allows one to drive all types of motorcycle.Motorized Bicycle () Allows one to drive a motorcycle under 125cc.Practice License (Equivalent to Learner's Permit)1st Class (1) Allows one to drive a vehicle with less than 15 seats, a cargo truck with a load limit of 12 tonnes, when the driver is driving with somebody with a non-practice license.2nd Class (2) Allows one to drive a vehicle with less than 10 seats, a cargo truck with a load limit of 4 tonnes, when the driver is driving with somebody with a non-practice license.Besides the type of the license, the license may have a special condition. Depending on the special condition given, the driver must satisfy the condition below to be able to drive. Driving a vehicle without satisfying the given condition is considered as unlicensed driving.A Automatic Transmission Only() Drive with prosthetic hand or armC Drive with prosthetic legD Wear bearing aid when drivingE Drive with Hearing-Impaired Sign + Convex Mirror Drive a car with a gas pedal located in the left. J All-terrain vehicle onlyMain article: Driving licence in Sri LankaNew E-Smart Card driving licences are available in Sri Lanka. These cards are intended for use in the proposed "Point System".In Sri Lanka, a driving licence is the official document which authorizes its holder to operate various types of motor vehicles on public roads. They are administered by the Department of Motor Traffic (DMT). The minimum age is 18 years for all vehicle types.Main article: Driver's license in TaiwanIn Taiwan, driving permits () are issued by the Ministry of Transportation and Communications to qualified drivers. The number of the driver's license is the same as the ID number of the license holder's household registration in Taiwan. In Taiwan, the license is sometimes accepted as a valid identity document, since the information on it replicates most of what is on a Taiwanese National Identification Card.Main article: Driving licence in ThailandDriving in Thailand without a driving licence is prohibited and is punishable by fines. Moreover, in case of a road accident, a driver without a permit can be considered as the guilty party. Also, an unlicensed driver who was in a road accident will be refused medical insurance paymentsIt is not difficult to get a driving licence in Thailand. In fact it is accessible to foreigners too. When the package of documents will be collected the person needs to appeal to the Transport Authority and sign up for the exam. Waiting time usually is near one month.The exam includes theoretical and practical parts held on the same day. Reaction tests are conducted before the exam. The applicant gets a temporary ID valid for one year. It may be extended for five years, but only if the applicant lives in Thailand on a non-immigrant visa. An International Driving Permit is recognized in Thailand. With its help it is easy to get a local permit without doing the exams.There are different plastic cards for motorcycles and cars. Therefore, documents and exams need to be done twice.[42]Privileges of a Thai driving licence holder: A driving licence can be used for identification purposesDiscounts (up to five-fold discounts) for sightseeing, museums, etc. can be obtainedThai (5-year extended) licences are valid in the following countries: Myanmar, Laos, Cambodia, Vietnam, Brunei, Malaysia, Indonesia, Singapore, Philippines.International Driving Permit (five-years validity) can be obtained on the basis of five-years Thai licence.Vietnam has a minimum age of 16 for mopeds under 50cc (3.1cuin) and 18 for motorcycles producing more than 50cc (3.1cuin). Minimum age for holding a driving permit is 18 for cars and small truck, 21 for commercial vehicles.[43]Drivers are legally obliged to carry a valid driving licence whilst driving and this must be produced if required to do so by a police officer.In Vietnam, there are classes for each driving licence. Each of which permit the holder to operate a different type of vehicle.:A1 to drive motorcycles with engine displacement more than 50cc and less than 175cc. A1 license has no expiry dateA2 to drive motorcycles with any engine displacement. A2 license has no expiry dateA3 to drive motorized tricycle, sidcar attached motorcycle and A1 motorcycles. A3 license has no expiry dateA4 to drive tractor with weight allowed not exceeding 1,000kg (2,200lb). A4 license is valid for 10 yearsB11 to drive private passenger under 9 seats, cargo vehicle or tractor with weight allowed not exceeding 3,500kg (7,700lb) with automatic transmission. B11 license is not allowed to practice. B11 license is valid until male reach 60 years old and female reach 55 years oldB1 to drive private passenger under 9 seats, cargo vehicle or tractor with weight allowed not exceeding 3,500kg (7,700lb). B1 license is not allowed to practice. B1 license is valid until male reach 60 years old and female reach 55 years oldB2 to drive private or commercial vehicle under 9 seats, cargo vehicle or tractor with weight allowed not exceeding 3,500kg (7,700lb). B2 license is valid for 10 years.C to drive private or commercial vehicle under 9 seats, cargo vehicle or tractor with weight allowed exceeding 3,500kg (7,700lb). C license is valid for 5 years.D to drive private or commercial vehicle between 10 seats and 30 seats. D license is valid for 5 years.E to drive private or commercial vehicle over 30 seats. E license is valid for 5 yearsF to drive private or commercial vehicle between 30 seats and 40 seats. F license is valid for 5 yearsG to drive private or commercial vehicle over 40 seats. G license is valid for 5 yearsH to drive private or commercial vehicle over 40 seats. H license is valid for 5 yearsI to drive private or commercial vehicle over 40 seats. 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T license is valid for 5 yearsU to drive private or commercial vehicle over 40 seats. U license is valid for 5 yearsV to drive private or commercial vehicle over 40 seats. V license is valid for 5 yearsW to drive private or commercial vehicle over 40 seats. W license is valid for 5 yearsX to drive private or commercial vehicle over 40 seats. X license is valid for 5 yearsY to drive private or commercial vehicle over 40 seats. Y license is valid for 5 yearsZ to drive private or commercial vehicle over 40 seats. Z license is valid for 5 yearsAA to drive private or commercial vehicle over 40 seats. AA license is valid for 5 yearsAB to drive private or commercial vehicle over 40 seats. AB license is valid for 5 yearsAC to drive private or commercial vehicle over 40 seats. AC license is valid for 5 yearsAD to drive private or commercial vehicle over 40 seats. AD license is valid for 5 yearsAE to drive private or commercial vehicle over 40 seats. 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