

Council Directive of 29 July 1991 on driving licences (91/439/EEC) (repealed)

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[^{F1}ANNEX Ia

PROVISIONS CONCERNING THE COMMUNITY MODEL DRIVING LICENCE (Alternative to the model in Annex I)

Textual Amendments

F1 Inserted by [Council Directive 96/47/EC of 23 July 1996 amending Directive 91/439/EEC on driving licences.](#)

1. The physical characteristics of the card of the Community model driving licence shall be in accordance with ISO 7810 and ISO 7816-1.

Methods for testing the characteristics of driving licences for the purpose of confirming their compliance with the international standards shall be in accordance with ISO 10373.

2. The licence shall have two sides.

Page 1 shall contain:

- (a) the words 'Driving Licence' printed in large type in the language or languages of the Member State issuing the licence;
- (b) the name of the Member State issuing the licence (optional);
- (c) [^{F2}the distinguishing sign of the Member State issuing the licence, printed in negative in a blue rectangle and encircled by twelve yellow stars; the distinguishing signs shall be as follows:

B	:	Belgium
BG	:	Bulgaria
CZ	:	The Czech Republic
DK	:	Denmark
D	:	Germany
EST	:	Estonia
GR	:	Greece
E	:	Spain
F	:	France
IRL	:	Ireland
I	:	Italy
CY	:	Cyprus
LV	:	Latvia
LT	:	Lithuania
L	:	Luxembourg
H	:	Hungary
M	:	Malta
NL	:	The Netherlands
A	:	Austria
PL	:	Poland
P	:	Portugal
RO	:	Romania
SLO	:	Slovenia
SK	:	Slovakia
FIN	:	Finland
S	:	Sweden

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UK : The United Kingdom;]

- (d) information specific to the licence issued, numbered as follows:
1. surname of the holder;
 2. other name(s) of the holder;
 3. date and place of birth;
 4.
 - (a) date of issue of the licence;
 - (b) date of expiry of the licence, or a dash if the licence is valid indefinitely;
 - (c) the name of the issuing authority (may be printed on page 2);
 - (d) a different number from the one under heading 5, for administrative purposes (optional);
 5. number of the licence;
 6. photograph of the holder;
 7. signature of the holder;
 8. permanent place of residence, or postal address (optional);
 9. (sub)category(ies) of vehicle(s) the holder is entitled to drive (national categories shall be printed in a different type from harmonized categories);
- (e) [^{F2}the words ‘European Communities model’ in the language(s) of the Member State issuing the licence and the words ‘Driving Licence’ in the other languages of the Community, printed in pink to form the background of the licence:
- Свидетелство за управление на МПС
 Permiso de Conducción
 Řidičský průkaz
 Kørekort
 Führerschein
 Juhiluba
 Άδεια Οδήγησης
 Driving Licence
 Permis de conduire
 Ceadúnas Tiomána
 Patente di guida
 Vadītāja apliecība
 Vairuotojo pažymėjimas
 Vezetői engedély
 Liċenzja tas-Sewqan
 Rijbewijs
 Prawo Jazdy
 Carta de Condução
 Permis de conducere
 Vodičský preukaz

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Vozniško dovoljenje
Ajokortti
Körkort;]

(f) Colour references:

—blue : pantone reflex blue,
—yellow : pantone yellow.

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F2 Substituted by [Council Directive 2006/103/EC of 20 November 2006 adapting certain Directives in the field of transport policy, by reason of the accession of Bulgaria and Romania.](#)

Page 2 shall contain:

- (a) 9. (sub)category(ies) of vehicle(s) the holder is entitled to drive (national categories shall be printed in a different type from harmonized categories);
10. date of first issue of each (sub)category (this date must be repeated on the new licence in the event of subsequent replacement or exchange);
11. date of expiry of each (sub)category;
12. additional information/restriction(s), in code form, facing the (sub)category affected.

The codes shall be as follows:

[^{F3} —codes	:	harmonised Community codes
01		DRIVER (Medical reasons)
to		
99:	01.	Sight correction and/or protection
		01.01 Glasses
		01.02 Contact lense(s)
		01.03 Protective glass
		01.04 Opaque lense
		01.05 Eye cover
		01.06 Glasses or contact lenses
	02.	Hearing aid/communication aid
		02.01 Hearing aid for one ear

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| | | 02.02 | Hearing aid for two ears |
| 03. | Prosthesis/orthosis for the limbs | | |
| | | 03.01 | Upper limb prosthesis/orthosis |
| | | 03.02 | Lower limb prosthesis/orthosis |
| 05. | Limited use (subcode use obligatory, driving subject to restrictions for medical reasons) | | |
| | | 05.01 | Limited to day time journeys (for example: one hour after sunrise and one hour before sunset) |
| | | 05.02 | Limited to journeys within a radius of ... km from holder's place of residence or only inside city/region |
| | | 05.03 | ...
Driving without passengers |
| | | 05.04 | Limited to |

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- journeys with a speed not greater than ... km/h
- 05.05 Driving authorised solely when accompanied by a holder of a driving licence
- 05.06 Without trailer
- 05.07 No driving on motorways
- 05.08 No alcohol

VEHICLE ADAPTATIONS

- 10. Modified transmission
 - 10.01 Manual transmission
 - [^{F4}10.02 Vehicles without a clutch pedal (or lever operated manually for categories A or A1)]
 - 10.03 Electronically operated transmission
 - 10.04 Adjusted gear-shift lever
 - 10.05 Without secondary gearbox
- 15. Modified clutch

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- 15.01 Adjusted clutch pedal
 - 15.02 Manual clutch
 - 15.03 Automatic clutch
 - 15.04 Partitioning in front of/fold away/detached clutch pedal
20. Modifies braking systems
- 20.01 Adjusted brake pedal
 - 20.02 Enlarged brake pedal
 - 20.03 Brake pedal suitable for use by left foot
 - 20.04 Brake pedal by sole
 - 20.05 Tilted brake pedal
 - 20.06 Manual (adapted) service brake
 - 20.07 Maximum use of reinforced service brake
 - 20.08 Maximum use of emergency brake integrated in the service brake

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| | | 20.09 | Adjusted parking brake |
| | | 20.10 | Electrically operated parking brake |
| | | 20.11 | (Adjusted) foot operated parking brake |
| | | 20.12 | Partitioning in front of/fold away/detached brake pedal |
| | | 20.13 | Brake operated by knee |
| | | 20.14 | Electrically operated service brake |
| 25. | Modified systems | | accelerator |
| | | 25.01 | Adjusted accelerator pedal |
| | | 25.02 | Accelerator pedal by sole |
| | | 25.03 | Tilted accelerator pedal |
| | | 25.04 | Manual accelerator |
| | | 25.05 | Accelerator at knee |
| | | 25.06 | Servo accelerator (electronic, pneumatic, etc.) |
| | | 25.07 | Accelerator pedal on the left of brake pedal |

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- 25.08 Accelerator pedal on the left
- 25.09 Partitioning in front of/fold away/detached accelerator pedal
- 30. Modified combined braking and accelerator systems
 - 30.01 Parallel pedals
 - 30.02 Pedals at (or almost at) the same level
 - 30.03 Accelerator and brake with sliding
 - 30.04 Accelerator and brake with sliding and orthosis
 - 30.05 Fold away/detached accelerator and brake pedals
 - 30.06 Raised floor
 - 30.07 Partitioning on the side of the brake pedal
 - 30.08 Partitioning for prosthesis on the side of

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| | | the
brake
pedal |
| | 30.09 | Partitioning
in front
of the
accelerator
and
brake
pedals |
| | 30.10 | Heel/leg
support |
| | 30.11 | Electrically
operated
accelerator
and
brake |
| 35. | | Modified control layouts
(Lights switches, windscreen wiper/
washer, horn, direction indicators,
etc.) |
| | 35.01 | Control
devices
operable
without
negative
influence
on the
steering
and
handling |
| | 35.02 | Control
devices
operable
without
releasing
the
steering
wheel
and
accessories
(knob,
fork,
etc.) |
| | 35.03 | Control
devices
operable
without
releasing
the
steering
wheel |

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| | | and accessories (knob, fork, etc.) with the left hand |
| | 35.04 | Control devices operable without releasing the steering wheel and accessories (knob, fork, etc.) with the right hand |
| | 35.05 | Control devices operable without releasing the steering wheel and accessories (knob, fork, etc.) and the combined accelerator and braking mechanisms |
| 40. | | Modified steering |
| | 40.01 | Standard assisted steering |
| | 40.02 | Reinforced assisted steering |
| | 40.03 | Steering with |

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		backup system
	40.04	Lengthened steering column
	40.05	Adjusted steering wheel (Larger and/or thicker steering wheel section, reduced diameter steering wheel, etc.)
	40.06	Tilted steering wheel
	40.07	Vertical steering wheel
	40.08	Horizontal steering wheel
	40.09	Foot operated driving
	40.10	Alternative adjusted steering (joy-stick, etc.)
	40.11	Knob on the steering wheel
	40.12	Hand orthesis on the steering wheel
	40.13	With orthesis tenodese
42.	Modified mirror(s)	rearview

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- 42.01 External (left or) right-side rear-view mirror
 - 42.02 External rear-view mirror set on the wing
 - 42.03 Additional inside rear-view mirror permitting view of traffic
 - 42.04 Panoramic inside rear-view mirror
 - 42.05 Blind spot rear-view mirror
 - 42.06 Electrically operated outside rear-view mirror(s)
43. Modified driver seat
- 43.01 Driver seat at a good viewing height and in normal distance from the steering wheel and the pedal

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- 43.02 Driver seat adjusted to body shape
 - 43.03 Driver seat with lateral support for good sitting stability
 - 43.04 Driver seat with armrest
 - 43.05 Lengthening of sliding driver's seat
 - 43.06 Seat-belt adjustment
 - 43.07 Harness-type seat-belt
44. Modifications to motorcycles (subcode use obligatory)
- 44.01 Single operated brake
 - 44.02 (Adjusted) hand operated brake (front wheel)
 - 44.03 (Adjusted) foot operated brake (back wheel)
 - 44.04 (Adjusted) accelerator handle
 - 44.05 (Adjusted) manual transmission and manual clutch

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| | 44.06 | (Adjusted) rear-view mirror(s) |
| | 44.07 | (Adjusted) commands (direction indicators, braking light, ...) |
| | 44.08 | Seat height allowing the driver, in sitting position, to have two feet on the road at the same time |
| 45. | | Motorcycle with side-car only |
| 50. | | Restricted to a specific vehicle/chassis number (vehicle identification number, VIN) |
| 51. | | Restricted to a specific vehicle/registration plate (vehicle registration number, VRN) |
| ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS | | |
| 70. | | Exchange of licence No ... issued by ... (EU/UN distinguishing sign in the case of a third country; e.g: 70.0123456789.NL) |
| 71. | | Duplicate of licence No ... (EU/UN distinguishing sign in the case of a third country; e.g: 71.987654321.HR) |
| 72. | | Restricted to category A vehicles having a maximum cylinder capacity of 125 cc |

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- and maximum power of 11 KW (A1)
73. Restricted to category B vehicles of the motor tricycle or quadricycle type (B1)
74. Restricted to category C vehicles the maximum authorised mass of which does not exceed 7 500 kg (C1)
75. Restricted to category D vehicles with not more than 16 seats, excluding the driver's seat (D1)
76. Restricted to category C vehicles the maximum authorised mass of which does not exceed 7 500 kg (C1), attached to a trailer the maximum authorised mass of which exceeds 750 kg, provided that the maximum authorised mass of the vehicle train thus formed does not exceed 12 000 kg, and that the maximum authorised mass of the trailer does not exceed the unladen mass of the drawing vehicle (C1+E)
77. Restricted to category D vehicles with not more than 16 passenger seats, excluding the driver's seat (D1), attached to a trailer the maximum authorised mass of which exceeds 750 kg provided that (a) the maximum authorised mass of the vehicle train thus formed does not exceed 12 000 kg and the maximum authorised mass of the trailer does not exceed the unladen mass of the drawing vehicle and (b) the trailer is not used to carry passengers (D1+E)

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[^{F4}78. Valid only for vehicles without a clutch pedal (or lever operated manually for categories A or A1)]

79. (...) Restricted to vehicles which comply with the specifications indicated in brackets, in the context of the application of Article 10(1) of the Directive

90.01: to the left

90.02: to the right

90.03: left

90.04: right

90.05: hand

90.06: foot

90.07: usable

[^{F5}95. Driver holding a CPC complying with the obligation of professional competence referred to in Article 3 until ... (e.g. 95.01.01.2012)]]

Textual Amendments

F5 Inserted by [Directive 2003/59/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 July 2003 on the initial qualification and periodic training of drivers of certain road vehicles for the carriage of goods or passengers, amending Council Regulation \(EEC\) No 3820/85 and Council Directive 91/439/EEC and repealing Council Directive 76/914/EEC.](#)

—codes : national codes valid only for driving
100 in the territory of the Member State
and which issued the licence.
above

Where a code applies to all (sub)categories for which the licence is issued, it may be printed under columns 9, 10 and 11;

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13. in implementation of paragraph 3 (a) of this Annex, a space reserved for the possible entry by the host Member State of information essential for administering the licence;
14. a space reserved for the possible entry by the Member State which issues the licence of information essential for administering the licence or related to road safety (optional). If the information relates to one of the headings defined in this Annex, it should be preceded by the number of the heading in question.

With the specific written agreement of the holder, information which is not related to the administration of the driving licence or road safety may also be added in this space; such addition shall not alter in any way the use of the model as a driving licence.

- (b) an explanation of the numbered items which appear on pages 1 and 2 of the licence (at least items 1, 2, 3, 4 (a), 4 (b), 4 (c), 5, 10, 11 and 12).

[^{F2}If a Member State wishes to make the entries in a national language other than one of the following languages: Bulgarian, Spanish, Czech, Danish, German, Estonian, Greek, English, French, Italian, Latvian, Lithuanian, Hungarian, Maltese, Dutch, Polish, Portuguese, Romanian, Slovak, Slovenian, Finnish or Swedish it will draw up a bilingual version of the licence using one of the aforementioned languages, without prejudice to the other provisions of this Annex.]

- (c) a space shall be reserved on the Community model licence to allow for the possible introduction of a microchip or similar computer device.

Textual Amendments


- F3** Substituted by [Commission Directive 2000/56/EC of 14 September 2000 amending Council Directive 91/439/EEC on driving licences \(Text with EEA relevance\)](#).
- F4** Substituted by [Commission Directive 2008/65/EC of 27 June 2008 amending Directive 91/439/EEC on driving licences](#).
- F5** Inserted by [Directive 2003/59/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 July 2003 on the initial qualification and periodic training of drivers of certain road vehicles for the carriage of goods or passengers, amending Council Regulation \(EEC\) No 3820/85 and Council Directive 91/439/EEC and repealing Council Directive 76/914/EEC](#).














3. Special provisions

- (a) Where the holder of a driving licence issued by a Member State in accordance with this Annex has his normal place of residence in another Member State, that Member State may enter in the licence such information as is essential for administering it, provided that it also enters this type of information in the licences which it issues and provided that there remains enough space for the purpose.
- (b) After consulting the Commission, Member States may add colours or markings, such as bar codes, national symbols and security features, without prejudice to the other provisions of this Annex.

In the context of mutual recognition of licences, the bar code may not contain information other than what can already be read on the driving licence or which is essential to the process of issuing the licence.

COMMUNITY MODEL DRIVING LICENCE

	DRIVING LICENCE	MEMBER STATE
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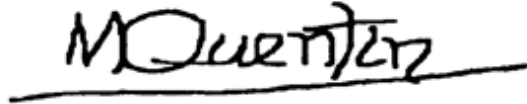
1. Surname 2. Name 3. Date and place of birth 4a. Licence issuing date
 4b. Administrative expiry date 4c. Issuing authority
 5. Licence number
 8. Address 9. Category
 10. Category issuing date
 11. Category expiry
 12. Restrictions

SPECIMEN Belgian licence (for information)
 COMMUNITY
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	1. Steven 2. Anne-Marie M.E. 3. 01.04.73 D-53170 Bonn 4a. 01.07.96 4c. B-9000 Gent 4b. 30.06.06 5. DA 003 360 7.		
6. FOTO			
	9. <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B		

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