

Council Directive of 29 July 1991 on driving licences (91/439/EEC) (repealed)

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ANNEX I

PROVISIONS CONCERNING THE COMMUNITY MODEL DRIVING LICENCE

1. The colour of the Community model driving licence shall be pink and its overall dimensions shall be:

— height : 106 mm;
 — width : 222 mm.

2. The licence shall consist of six pages:

page 1 shall contain:

- the distinguishing sign of the Member State issuing the licence;
- mention of the name of the Member State issuing the licence (optional);
- [^{F1}the distinguishing sign of the Member State issuing the licence, whose 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
UK	:	The United Kingdom]

- the words ‘Driving licence’, printed in large type in the language or languages of the Member State issuing the licence; they shall appear, after a suitable space, in small type in the other languages of the European Communities;
- the words ‘European Communities model’, printed in the language or languages of the Member States issuing the licence;

page 2 shall contain:

1. the surname of the holder;

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2. the other names of the holder;
3. the date and place of birth of the holder;
4. the name of the competent authority issuing the licence (including the place and date of issue and the stamp of the authority);
5. the number of the licence;
6. a photograph of the holder;
7. the signature of the holder;
8. the permanent place of residence, or postal address (optional);

pages 3 and 4 shall contain:

the (sub)categories of vehicle, the date of issue of the licence for the (sub)category, its period of validity, the stamp of the authority, any additional information or restrictions in code form for each (sub)category concerned.

Subcategories not provided for in the national legislation of a Member State may be omitted from driving licences issued by that Member State.

The codes used on page 4 shall be as follows:

[^{F2} —codes 01 to 99:	:	harmonised Community codes DRIVER (Medical reasons)
		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
		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

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- 05.04 Limited to 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
 - 10.02 Automatic transmission
 - 10.03 Electronically operated transmission
 - 10.04 Adjusted gear-shift lever
 - 10.05 Without secondary gearbox
- 15. Modified clutch
 - 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
 - 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 accelerator systems
 - 25.01 Adjusted accelerator pedal
 - 25.02 Accelerator pedal by sole

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| | 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 |
| | 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 orthesis |
| | 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 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 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 |

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- 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 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 orthosis on the steering wheel
 - 40.13 With orthosis tenodese
- 42. Modified rearview mirror(s)
 - 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
 - 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
 - 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 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)

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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)
78. Restricted to vehicles with automatic transmission

(Directive 91/439/EEC, Annex II, 8.1.1., §2)

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
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| 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 |
- [^{F3}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

- F3** 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 \(EEC\)](#)

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No 3820/85 and Council Directive 91/439/EEC and repealing Council Directive 76/914/EEC.

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

The date of first issue of the licence for each category must be transferred to page 3 in the event of subsequent replacement or exchange;

page 5 may contain information such as:

- any periods during which the driving licence has been suspended,
- serious offences committed in the territory of the State of normal residence and taken into account in the procedure for monitoring drivers which obtains in that State;

page 6 shall contain:

- validations restricted to the territory of the State which granted them on grounds of equivalents or for categories of vehicles not covered by this Directive (including dates of issue and periods of validity),
- spaces reserved for (optional) entry of changes in the holder's normal residence.

Textual Amendments

- F1** 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.
- F2** Substituted by Commission Directive 2000/56/EC of 14 September 2000 amending Council Directive 91/439/EEC on driving licences (Text with EEA relevance).
- F3** 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. The entries on pages other than page 1 shall be in the language(s) of the Member States which issued the licence.



[^{F1}If a Member State wishes to make those 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.]



4. Where the holder of a driving licence issued by a Member State has taken up normal residence in another Member State, the latter may indicate:
- change(s) of residence on page 6,
 - information essential for administrative purposes such as serious offences committed in its territory, on page 5,

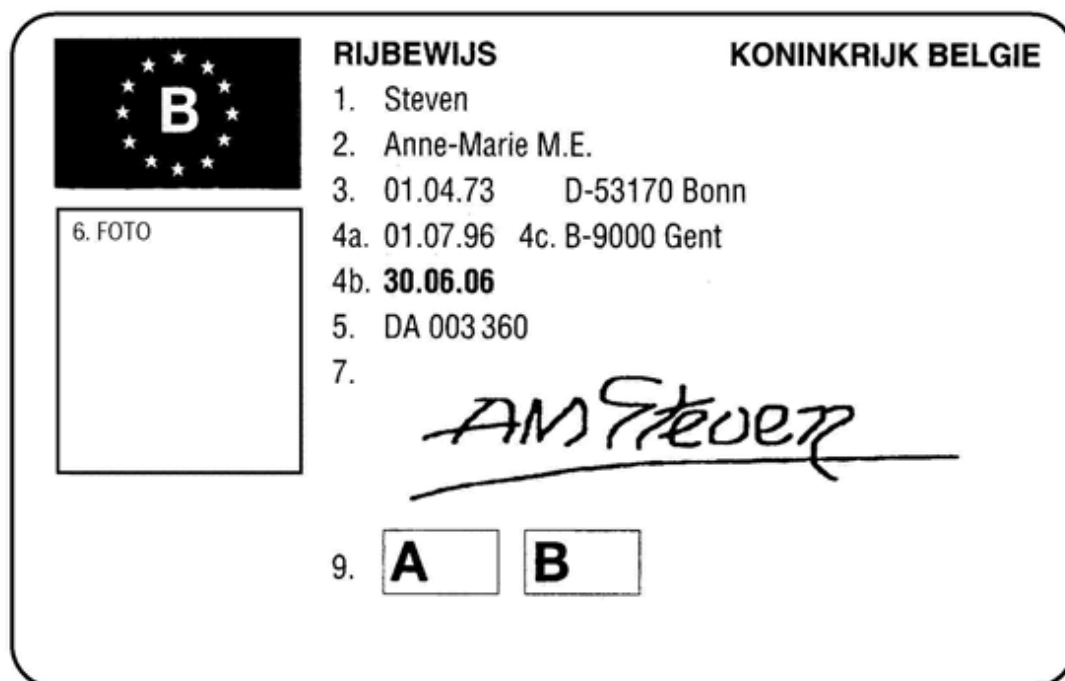
provided that it also enters this type of information in the licences which it issues and that there is a space available for that purpose.

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By way of derogation from point 2 of this Annex, driving licences issued by the United Kingdom shall not be required to include a photograph of the holder for a maximum period of ten years following the adoption of this Directive.

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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			

	RIJBEWIJS		KONINKRIJK BELGIE	
	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			



[^{F4}ANNEX Ia

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

Textual Amendments

F4 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) [^{F1}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:

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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
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) [^{F1}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

Licenzja tas-Sewqan

Rijbewijs

Prawo Jazdy

Carta de Condução

Permis de conducere

Vodičský preukaz

Vozniško dovoljenje

Ajokortti

Körkort;]

- (f) Colour references:

—blue : pantone reflex blue,

—yellow : pantone yellow.

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:

[^{F2} —codes	:	harmonised Community codes
01	:	DRIVER (Medical reasons)
to	:	
99:	:	01. Sight correction and/or protection

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| | | 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 |
| | | 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) |

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- 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 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
 - 10.02 Automatic transmission

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- 10.03 Electronically operated transmission
- 10.04 Adjusted gear-shift lever
- 10.05 Without secondary gearbox
- 15. Modified clutch
 - 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

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		reinforced service brake
	20.08	Maximum use of emergency brake integrated in the service brake
	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

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- 25.06 Servo accelerator (electronic, pneumatic, etc.)
- 25.07 Accelerator pedal on the left of brake pedal
- 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 orthesis
 - 30.05 Fold away/detached accelerator and brake pedals
 - 30.06 Raised floor

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- 30.07 Partitioning on the side of the brake pedal
- 30.08 Partitioning for prosthesis on the side of 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

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- 35.03 (knob, fork, etc.) Control devices operable without releasing the steering wheel and accessories
- 35.04 (knob, fork, etc.) with the left hand Control devices operable without releasing the steering wheel and accessories
- 35.05 (knob, fork, etc.) with the right hand 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 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

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| | | on the steering wheel |
| | 40.13 | With orthosis tenodese |
| 42. | Modified mirror(s) | rearview |
| | 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 |

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| | | height
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normal
distance
from the
steering
wheel
and the
pedal |
| | 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) |

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| | 44.04 | (Adjusted) accelerator handle |
| | 44.05 | (Adjusted) manual transmission and manual clutch |
| | 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 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

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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)

78. Restricted to vehicles with automatic transmission

(Directive 91/439/EEC, Annex II, 8.1.1., §2)

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

- [^{F3}95. Driver holding a CPC complying with the obligation of professional competence referred to in Article 3 until ... (e.g. 95.01.01.2012)]

—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;

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).

[^{F1}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.



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.


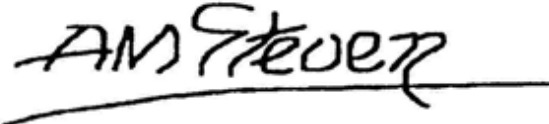
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Member States shall take the necessary measures to ensure that applicants for driving licences possess the knowledge and skills and exhibit the behaviour required for driving a motor vehicle. The tests introduced to this effect must consist of:

- a theory test, and then
- a test of skills and behaviour.

The conditions under which these tests shall be conducted are set out below.

A. THEORY TEST

1. Form

The form chosen shall be such as to make sure that the applicant has the required knowledge of the subjects listed on points 2 to 4.

Any applicant for a licence in one category who has passed a theory test for a licence in a different category may be exempt from the common provisions of points 2 to 4.

2. Content of the theory test concerning all vehicle categories

2.1. Questions must be asked on each of the points listed below, the content and form of the questions being left to the discretion of each Member State:

2.1.1. Road traffic regulations:

- in particular as regards road signs, markings and signals, rights of way and speed limits;

2.1.2. The driver:

- importance of alertness and of attitude to other road users,
- perception, judgement and decision-taking, especially reaction time, as well as changes in driving behaviour due to the influence of alcohol, drugs and medicinal products, state of mind and fatigue;

2.1.3. The road:

- the most important principles concerning the observance of a safe distance between vehicles, braking distances and roadholding under various weather and road conditions,
- driving risk factors related to various road conditions, in particular as they change with the weather and the time of day or night,
- characteristics of various types of road and the related statutory requirements;

2.1.4. Other road users:

- specific risk factors related to the lack of experience of other road users and the most vulnerable categories of users such as children, pedestrians, cyclists and people whose mobility is reduced,
- risks involved in the movement and driving of various types of vehicles and of the different fields of view of their drivers;

2.1.5. General rules and regulations and other matters:

- rules concerning the administrative documents required for the use of vehicles,
- general rules specifying how the driver must behave in the event of an accident (setting warning devices and raising the alarm) and the measures which he can take to assist road accident victims where necessary,
- safety factors relating to the vehicle, the load and persons carried;

- 2.1.6. Precautions necessary when alighting from the vehicle;
- 2.1.7. Mechanical aspects with a bearing on road safety; applicants must be able to detect the most common faults, in particular in the steering, suspension and braking systems, tyres, lights and direction indicators, reflectors, rear-view mirrors, windscreen and wipers, the exhaust system, seat-belts and the audible warning device;
- 2.1.8. Vehicle safety equipment and, in particular, the use of seat-belts, head restraints and child safety equipment;
- 2.1.9. Rules regarding vehicle use in relation to the environment (appropriate use of audible warning devices, moderate fuel consumption, limitation of pollutant emissions, etc.).
3. Specific provisions concerning categories A and A1
 - 3.1. Compulsory check of general knowledge on:
 - 3.1.1. Use of protective outfit such as gloves, boots, clothes and safety helmet;
 - 3.1.2. Visibility of motorcycle riders for other road users;
 - 3.1.3. Risk factors related to various road conditions as laid down above with additional attention to slippery parts such as drain covers, road markings such as lines and arrows, tram rails;
 - 3.1.4. Mechanical aspects with a bearing on road safety as laid down above with additional attention to the emergency stop switch, the oil levels and the chain.
4. Specific provisions concerning categories C, C+E, C1, C1+E, D, D+E, D1 and D1+E
 - 4.1. Compulsory check of general knowledge on:
 - 4.1.1. Rules on driving hours and rest periods as defined by Council Regulation (EEC) No 3820/85⁽¹⁾; use of the recording equipment as defined by Council Regulation (EEC) No 3821/85⁽²⁾,
 - 4.1.2. Rules concerning the type of transport concerned: goods or passengers;
 - 4.1.3. Vehicle and transport documents required for the national and international carriage of goods and passengers;
 - 4.1.4. How to behave in the event of an accident; knowledge of measures to be taken after an accident or similar occurrence, including emergency action such as evacuation of passengers and basic knowledge of first aid;
 - 4.1.5. The precautions to be taken during the removal and replacement of wheels;
 - 4.1.6. Rules on vehicle weights and dimensions; rules on speed limiters;
 - 4.1.7. Obstruction of the field of view caused by the characteristics of their vehicles;
 - 4.1.8. Reading a road map, route planning, including the use of electronic navigation systems (optional);
 - 4.1.9. Safety factors relating to vehicle loading: controlling the load (stowing and fastening), difficulties with different kinds of load (e.g. liquids, hanging loads, ...), loading and unloading goods and the use of loading equipment (categories C, C+E, C1, C1+E only);

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- 4.1.10. The driver's responsibility in respect to the carriage of passengers; comfort and safety of passengers; transport of children; necessary checks before driving away; all sorts of buses should be part of the theory test (public service buses and coaches, buses with special dimensions, ...) (categories D, D+E, D1, D1+E only).
- 4.2. Compulsory check of general knowledge on the following additional provisions concerning categories C, C+E, D and D+E:
 - 4.2.1. The principles of the construction and functioning of: internal combustion engines, fluids (e.g. engine oil, coolant, washer fluid), the fuel system, the electrical system, the ignition system, the transmission system (clutch, gearbox, etc.);
 - 4.2.2. Lubrication and antifreeze protection;
 - 4.2.3. The principles of the construction, the fitting, correct use and care of tyres;
 - 4.2.4. The principles of the types, operation, main parts, connection, use and day-to-day maintenance of brake fittings and speed governors, and use of anti-lock brakes;
 - 4.2.5. The principles of the types, operation, main parts, connection, use and day-to-day maintenance of coupling systems (categories C+E, D+E only);
 - 4.2.6. Methods of locating causes of breakdowns;
 - 4.2.7. Preventive maintenance of vehicles and necessary running repairs;
 - 4.2.8. The driver's responsibility in respect of the receipt, carriage and delivery of goods in accordance with the agreed conditions (categories C, C+E only).
- B. TEST OF SKILLS AND BEHAVIOUR
- 5. The vehicle and its equipment
 - 5.1. The driving of a vehicle with manual transmission shall be subject to the passing of a skills and behaviour test taken on a vehicle with manual transmission.

If an applicant takes the test of skills and behaviour on a vehicle with automatic transmission this shall be recorded on any licence issued on the basis of such a test. Licences with this indication shall be used only for driving vehicles with automatic transmission.

‘Vehicle with automatic transmission’ means a vehicle in which the gear ratio between the engine and the wheels can be varied by use only of the accelerator or the brakes.

- 5.2. The vehicles used in tests of skills and behaviour shall comply with the minimum criteria given below. Member States may make provisions for more stringent criteria or add others.

Category A:

- Progressive access (first clause of the first indent of Article 6(1)(b)): a motorcycle without sidecar with a cubic capacity of over 120 cm³, capable of a speed of at least 100 km/h;
- Direct access (second clause of the first indent of Article 6(1)(b)): a motorcycle without sidecar with an engine-power of at least 35 kW;

Subcategory A1:

A motorcycle without sidecar with a cubic capacity of at least 75 cm³;

Category B:

A four-wheeled category B vehicle capable of a speed of at least 100 km/h;

Category B+E:

A combination, made up of a category B test vehicle and a trailer with a maximum authorised mass of at least 1 000 kilograms, capable of a speed of at least 100 km/h, which does not fall within category B; the cargo compartment of the trailer shall consist of a closed box body which is at least as wide and as high as the motor vehicle; the closed box body may also be slightly less wide than the motor vehicle provided that the view to the rear is only possible by use of the external rear-view mirrors of the motor vehicle; the trailer shall be presented with a minimum of 800 kilograms real total mass;

Subcategory B1:

A motor-powered tricycle or quadricycle capable of a speed of at least 60 km/h;

Category C:

A category C vehicle with a maximum authorised mass of at least 12 000 kilograms, a length of at least eight metres, a width of at least 2,40 metres and capable of a speed of at least 80 km/h; fitted with anti-lock brakes, equipped with a gearbox having at least eight forward ratios and recording equipment as defined by Regulation (EEC) No 3821/85; the cargo compartment shall consist of a closed box body which is at least as wide and as high as the cab; the vehicle shall be presented with a minimum of 10 000 kilograms real total mass;

Category C+E:

either an articulated vehicle or a combination of a category C test vehicle and a trailer of at least 7,5 metres in length; both the articulated vehicle and the combination shall have a maximum authorised mass of at least 20 000 kilograms, a length of at least 14 metres and a width of at least 2,40 metres, shall be capable of a speed of at least 80 km/h, fitted with anti-lock brakes, equipped with a gearbox having at least eight forward ratios and with recording equipment as defined by Regulation (EEC) No 3821/85; the cargo compartment shall consist of a closed box body which is at least as wide and as high as the cab; both the articulated vehicle and the combination shall be presented with a minimum of 15 000 kilograms real total mass;

Subcategory C1:

A subcategory C1 vehicle with a maximum authorised mass of at least 4 000 kilograms, with a length of at least five metres and capable of a speed of at least 80 km/h; fitted with anti-lock brakes and equipped with recording equipment as defined by Regulation (EEC) No 3821/85; the cargo compartment shall consist of a closed box body which is at least as wide and as high as the cab;

Subcategory C1 + E:

A combination made up of a subcategory C1 test vehicle and a trailer with a maximum authorised mass of at least 1 250 kilograms; this combination shall be at least eight metres in length and capable of a speed of at least 80 km/h; the cargo compartment of the trailer shall consist of a closed box body which is at least as wide and as high as the cab; the closed box body may also be slightly less wide than the cab provided that the view to the rear is only possible by use of the external rear-view mirrors of the motor vehicle; the trailer shall be presented with a minimum of 800 kilograms real total mass;

Category D:

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A category D vehicle with a length of at least 10 metres, a width of at least 2,40 metres and capable of a speed of at least 80 km/h; fitted with anti-lock brakes and equipped with recording equipment as defined by Regulation (EEC) No 3821/85;

Category D+E:

A combination made up of a category D test vehicle and a trailer with a maximum authorised mass of at least 1 250 kilograms, a width of at least 2,40 metres and capable of a speed of at least 80 km/h; the cargo compartment of the trailer shall consist of a closed box body which is at least two metres wide and two metres high; the trailer shall be presented with a minimum of 800 kilograms real total mass;

Subcategory D1:

A subcategory D 1 vehicle with a maximum authorised mass of at least 4 000 kilograms, with a length of at least five metres and capable of a speed of at least 80 km/h; fitted with anti-lock brakes and equipped with recording equipment as defined by Regulation (EEC) No 3821/85;

Subcategory D1+E:

A combination made up of a subcategory D1 test vehicle and a trailer with a maximum authorised mass of at least 1 250 kilograms and capable of a speed of at least 80 km/h; the cargo compartment of the trailer shall consist of a closed box body which is at least two metres wide and two metres high; the trailer shall be presented with a minimum of 800 kilograms real total mass;

Testing vehicles for categories B+E, C, C+E, C1, C1+E, D, D+E, D1 and D1+E which are not in conformity with the minimum criteria given above but which were in use on or before the moment of entry into force of this Commission Directive, may still be used for a period not exceeding ten years after that date. The requirements related to the load to be carried by these vehicles, may be implemented by Member States up to ten years from the moment of entry into force of this Directive.

6. Skills and behaviour to be tested concerning categories A and A1

6.1. Preparation and technical check of the vehicle with a bearing on road safety

Applicants must demonstrate that they are capable of preparing to ride safely by satisfying the following requirements:

- 6.1.1. Adjust the protective outfit, such as gloves, boots, clothes and safety helmet;
- 6.1.2. Perform a random check on the condition of the tyres, brakes, steering, emergency stop switch (if applicable), chain, oil levels, lights, reflectors, direction indicators and audible warning device.
- 6.2. Special manoeuvres to be tested with a bearing on road safety
 - 6.2.1. Putting the motorcycle on and off its stand and moving it, without the aid of the engine, by walking alongside the vehicle;
 - 6.2.2. Parking the motorcycle on its stand;
 - 6.2.3. At least two manoeuvres to be executed at slow speed, including a slalom; this should allow competence to be assessed in handling of the clutch in combination with the brake, balance, vision direction and position on the motorcycle and the position of the feet on the foot rests;

- 6.2.4. At least two manoeuvres to be executed at higher speed, of which one manoeuvre in second or third gear, at least 30 km/h and one manoeuvre avoiding an obstacle at a minimum speed of 50 km/h; this should allow competence to be assessed in the position on the motorcycle, vision direction, balance, steering technique and technique of changing gears;
- 6.2.5. Braking: at least two braking exercises shall be executed, including an emergency brake at a minimum speed of 50 km/h; this should allow competence to be assessed in handling of the front and rear brake, vision direction and the position on the motorcycle.

The special manoeuvres mentioned under points 6.2.3 to 6.2.5 have to be implemented at the latest five years after entry into force of this Directive.

6.3. Behaviour in traffic

Applicants must perform all the following actions in normal traffic situations, in complete safety and taking all necessary precautions:

- 6.3.1. Riding away: after parking, after a stop in traffic; exiting a driveway;
- 6.3.2. Riding on straight roads; passing oncoming vehicles, including in confined spaces;
- 6.3.3. Riding round bends;
- 6.3.4. Crossroads: approaching and crossing of intersections and junctions;
- 6.3.5. Changing direction: left and right turns; changing lanes;
- 6.3.6. Approach/exit of motorways or similar (if available): joining from the acceleration lane; leaving on the deceleration lane;
- 6.3.7. Overtaking/passing: overtaking other traffic (if possible); riding alongside obstacles, e.g. parked cars; being overtaken by other traffic (if appropriate);
- 6.3.8. Special road features (if available): roundabouts; railway level crossings; tram/bus stops; pedestrian crossings; riding up-/downhill on long slopes;
- 6.3.9. Taking the necessary precautions when getting off the vehicle.

7. Skills and behaviour to be tested concerning categories B, B1 and B+E

7.1. Preparation and technical check of the vehicle with a bearing on road safety

Applicants must demonstrate that they are capable of preparing to drive safely by satisfying the following requirements:

- 7.1.1. Adjusting the seat as necessary to obtain a correct seated position;
- 7.1.2. Adjusting rear-view mirrors, seat belts and head restraints if available;
- 7.1.3. Checking that the doors are closed;
- 7.1.4. Performing a random check on the condition of the tyres, steering, brakes, fluids (e.g. engine oil, coolant, washer fluid), lights, reflectors, direction indicators and audible warning device;
- 7.1.5. Checking the safety factors relating to vehicle loading: body, sheets, cargo doors, cabin locking, way of loading, securing load (category B+E only);

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7.1.6. Checking the coupling mechanism and the brake and electrical connections (category B+E only);

7.2. Categories B and B1: special manoeuvres to be tested with a bearing on road safety

A selection of the following manoeuvres shall be tested (at least two manoeuvres for the four points, including one in reverse gear):

7.2.1. Reversing in a straight line or reversing right or left round a corner while keeping within the correct traffic lane;

7.2.2. Turning the vehicle to face the opposite way, using forward and reverse gears;

7.2.3. Parking the vehicle and leaving a parking space (parallel, oblique or right-angle, forwards or in reverse, on the flat, uphill or downhill);

7.2.4. Braking accurately to a stop; however, performing an emergency stop is optional.

7.3. Category B+E: special manoeuvres to be tested with a bearing on road safety

7.3.1. Coupling and uncoupling, or uncoupling and re-coupling a trailer from its motor vehicle; the manoeuvre must involve the towing vehicle being parked alongside the trailer (i.e. not in one line);

7.3.2. Reversing along a curve, the line of which shall be left to the discretion of the Member States;

7.3.3. Parking safely for loading/unloading.

7.4. Behaviour in traffic

Applicants must perform all the following actions in normal traffic situations, in complete safety and taking all necessary precautions:

7.4.1. Driving away: after parking, after a stop in traffic; exiting a driveway;

7.4.2. Driving on straight roads; passing oncoming vehicles, including in confined spaces;

7.4.3. Driving round bends;

7.4.4. Crossroads: approaching and crossing of intersections and junctions;

7.4.5. Changing direction: left and right turns; changing lanes;

7.4.6. Approach/exit of motorways or similar (if available): joining from the acceleration lane; leaving on the deceleration lane;

7.4.7. Overtaking/passing: overtaking other traffic (if possible); driving alongside obstacles, e.g. parked cars; being overtaken by other traffic (if appropriate);

7.4.8. Special road features (if available): roundabouts; railway level crossings; tram/bus stops; pedestrian crossings; driving up-/downhill on long slopes;

7.4.9. Taking the necessary precautions when alighting from the vehicle.

8. Skills and behaviour to be tested concerning categories C, C+E, C1, C1+E, D, D+E, D1 and D1+E

8.1. Preparation and technical check of the vehicle with a bearing on road safety

Applicants must demonstrate that they are capable of preparing to drive safely by satisfying the following requirements:

- 8.1.1. Adjusting the seat as necessary to obtain a correct seated position;
- 8.1.2. Adjusting rear-view mirrors, seat belts and head restraints if available;
- 8.1.3. Random checks on the condition of the tyres, steering, brakes, lights, reflectors, direction indicators and audible warning device;
- 8.1.4. Checking the power-assisted braking and steering systems; checking the condition of the wheels, wheelnuts, mudguards, windscreen, windows and wipers, fluids (e.g. engine oil, coolant, washer fluid); checking and using the instrument panel including the recording equipment as defined in Regulation (EEC) No 3821/85;
- 8.1.5. Checking the air pressure, air tanks and the suspension;
- 8.1.6. Checking the safety factors relating to vehicle loading: body, sheets, cargo doors, loading mechanism (if available), cabin locking (if available), way of loading, securing load (categories C, C+E, C1, C1+E only);
- 8.1.7. Checking the coupling mechanism and the brake and electrical connections (categories C+E, C1+E, D+E, D1+E only);
- 8.1.8. Being capable of taking special vehicle safety measures; controlling the body, service doors, emergency exits, first aid equipment, fire extinguishers and other safety equipment (categories D, D+E, D1, D1+E only);
- 8.1.9. Reading a road map, route planning, including the use of electronic navigation systems (optional).
- 8.2. Special manoeuvres to be tested with a bearing on road safety
 - 8.2.1. Coupling and uncoupling, or uncoupling and re-coupling a trailer from its motor vehicle; the manoeuvre must involve the towing vehicle being parked alongside the trailer (i.e. not in one line) (categories C+E, C1+E, D+E, D1+E only);
 - 8.2.2. Reversing along a curve, the line of which shall be left to the discretion of the Member States;
 - 8.2.3. Parking safely for loading/unloading at a loading ramp/platform or similar installation (categories C, C+E, C1, C1+E only);
 - 8.2.4. Parking to let passengers on or off the bus safely (categories D, D+E, D1, D1+E only).
- 8.3. Behaviour in traffic

Applicants must perform all the following actions in normal traffic situations, in complete safety and taking all necessary precautions:

- 8.3.1. Driving away: after parking, after a stop in traffic; exiting a driveway;
- 8.3.2. Driving on straight roads; passing oncoming vehicles, including in confined spaces;
- 8.3.3. Driving round bends;
- 8.3.4. Crossroads: approaching and crossing of intersections and junctions;
- 8.3.5. Changing direction: left and right turns; changing lanes;

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- 8.3.6. Approach/exit of motorways or similar (if available): joining from the acceleration lane; leaving on the deceleration lane;
- 8.3.7. Overtaking/passing: overtaking other traffic (if possible); driving alongside obstacles, e.g. parked cars; being overtaken by other traffic (if appropriate);
- 8.3.8. Special road features (if available): roundabouts; railway level crossings; tram/bus stops; pedestrian crossings; driving up-/downhill on long slopes;
- 8.3.9. Taking the necessary precautions when alighting from the vehicle.
- 9. Marking of the test of skills and behaviour
- 9.1. For each of the abovementioned driving situations, the assessment must reflect the degree of ease with which the applicant handles the vehicle controls and his demonstrated capacity to drive in traffic in complete safety. The examiner must feel safe throughout the test. Driving errors or dangerous conduct immediately endangering the safety of the test vehicle, its passengers or other road users shall be penalised by failing the test, whether or not the examiner or accompanying person has to intervene. Nonetheless, the examiner shall be free to decide whether or not the skills and behaviour test should be completed.

Driving examiners must be trained to assess correctly the applicants' ability to drive safely. The work of driving examiners must be monitored and supervised, by a body authorised by the Member State, to ensure correct and consistent application of fault assessment in accordance with the standards laid down in this Annex.

- 9.2. During their assessment, driving examiners shall pay special attention to the fact whether an applicant is showing a defensive and social driving behaviour. This should reflect the overall style of driving and the driving examiner should take this into account in the overall picture of the applicant. It includes adapted and determined (safe) driving, taking into account road and weather conditions, taking into account other traffic, taking into account the interests of other road users (particularly the more vulnerable) and anticipation.
- 9.3. The driving examiner will furthermore assess whether the applicant is:
 - 9.3.1. Controlling the vehicle; taking into account: proper use of safety belts, rear-view mirrors, head restraints; seat; proper use of lights and other equipment; proper use of clutch, gearbox, accelerator, braking systems (including third braking system, if available), steering; controlling the vehicle under different circumstances, at different speeds; steadiness on the road; the weight and dimensions and characteristics of the vehicle; the weight and type of load (categories B+E, C, C+E, C1, C1+E, D+E, D1+E only); the comfort of the passengers (categories D, D+E, D1, D1+E only) (no fast acceleration, smoothly driving and no hard braking);
 - 9.3.2. Driving economically and environmentally friendly, taking into account the revolutions per minute, changing gears, braking and accelerating (categories B+E, C, C+E, C1, C1+E, D, D+E, D1, D1+E only);
 - 9.3.3. Observation: all-round observation; proper use of mirrors; far, middle, near distance vision;
 - 9.3.4. Priority/giving way: priority at crossroads, intersections and junctions; giving way at other occasions (e.g. changing direction, changing lanes, special manoeuvres);

- 9.3.5. Correct position on the road: proper position on the road, in lanes, on roundabouts, round bends, suitable for the type and the characteristics of the vehicle; pre-positioning;
- 9.3.6. Keeping distance: keeping adequate distance to the front and the side; keeping adequate distance from other road users;
- 9.3.7. Speed: not exceeding the maximum allowed speed; adapting speed to weather/traffic conditions and where appropriate up to national speed limits; driving at such a speed that stopping within distance of the visible and free road is possible; adapting speed to general speed of same kind of road users;
- 9.3.8. Traffic lights, road signs and other indications: acting correctly at traffic lights; obeying instructions from traffic controllers; acting correctly at road signs (prohibitions or commands); take appropriate action at road markings;
- 9.3.9. Signalling: give signals where necessary, correctly and properly timed; indicating directions correctly; taking appropriate action with regard to all signals made by other road users;
- 9.3.10. Braking and stopping: decelerating in time, braking or stopping according to circumstances; anticipation; using the various braking systems (only for categories C, C+E, D, D+E); using speed reduction systems other than the brakes (only for categories C, C+E, D, D+E).

10. Length of the test

The length of the test and the distance travelled must be sufficient to assess the skills and behaviour laid down in paragraph B of this Annex. In no circumstances should the time spent driving on the road be less than 25 minutes for categories A, A1, B, B1 and B+E and 45 minutes for the other categories. This does not include the reception of the applicant, the preparation of the vehicle, the technical check of the vehicle with a bearing on road safety, the special manoeuvres and the announcement of the outcome of the practical test.

11. Location of the test

The part of the test to assess the special manoeuvres may be conducted on a special testing ground. Wherever practicable, the part of the test to assess behaviour in traffic should be conducted on roads outside built-up areas, expressways and motorways (or similar), as well as on all kinds of urban streets (residential areas, 30 and 50 km/h areas, urban expressways) which should represent the various types of difficulty likely to be encountered by drivers. It is also desirable for the test to take place in various traffic density conditions. The time spent driving on the road should be used in an optimal way to assess the applicant in all the various traffic areas that can be encountered, with a special emphasis on changing between these areas.

II. KNOWLEDGE, SKILL AND BEHAVIOUR FOR DRIVING A POWER-DRIVEN VEHICLE

Drivers of all power-driven vehicles must at any moment have the knowledge, skills and behaviour described under points 1 to 9 above, with a view to be able to:

- Recognise traffic dangers and assess their seriousness;
- Have sufficient command of their vehicle not to create dangerous situations and to react appropriately should such situations occur;
- Comply with road traffic regulations, and in particular those intended to prevent road accidents and to maintain the flow of traffic;

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- Detect any major technical faults in their vehicles, in particular those posing a safety hazard, and have them remedied in an appropriate fashion;
- Take account of all the factors affecting driving behaviour (e.g. alcohol, fatigue, poor eyesight, etc.) so as to retain full use of the faculties needed to drive safely;
- Help ensure the safety of all road users, and in particular of the weakest and most exposed by showing due respect for others.

Member States may implement the appropriate measures to ensure that drivers who have lost the knowledge, skills and behaviour as described under points 1 to 9 can recover this knowledge and these skills and will continue to exhibit such behaviour required for driving a motor vehicle.]

ANNEX III

MINIMUM STANDARDS OF PHYSICAL AND MENTAL FITNESS FOR DRIVING A POWER-DRIVEN VEHICLE

DEFINITIONS

1. For the purpose of this Annex, drivers are classified in two groups:
 - 1.1. Group 1:
drivers of vehicles of categories A, B and B + E and subcategory A1 and B1;
 - 1.2. Group 2:
drivers of vehicles of categories C, C + E, D, D + E and of subcategory C1, C1 + E, D1 and D1 + E.
 - 1.3. National legislation may provide for the provisions set out in this Annex for Group 2 drivers to apply to drivers of Category B vehicles using their driving licence for professional purposes (taxis, ambulances, etc.).
2. Similarly, applicants for a first driving licence or for the renewal of a driving licence are classified in the group to which they will belong once the licence has been issued or renewed.

MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS

3. Group 1:
applicants shall be required to undergo a medical examination if it becomes apparent, when the necessary formalities are being completed or during the tests which they have to undergo prior to obtaining a driving licence, that they have one or more of the medical disabilities mentioned in this Annex.
4. Group 2:
applicants shall undergo medical examination before a driving licence is first issued to them and thereafter drivers shall undergo such periodic examinations as may be prescribed by national legislation.
5. The standards set by Member States for the issue or any subsequent renewal of driving licences may be stricter than those set out in this Annex.

SIGHT

6. All applicants for a driving licence shall undergo an appropriate investigation to ensure that they have adequate visual acuity for driving power-driven vehicles. Where there is reason to doubt that the applicant's vision is adequate, he shall be examined by a competent medical authority. At this examination attention shall be paid the following in particular: visual acuity, field of vision, twilight vision and progressive eye diseases.

For the purpose of this Annex, intra-ocular lenses shall not be considered corrective lenses.

Group 1:

- 6.1. Applicants for a driving licence or for the renewal of such a licence shall have a binocular visual acuity, with corrective lenses if necessary, of at least 0,5 when using both eyes together. Driving licences shall not be issued or renewed if, during the medical examination, it is shown that the horizontal field of vision is less than 120°, apart from exceptional cases duly justified by a favourable medical opinion and a positive practical test, or that the person concerned suffers from any other eye condition that would compromise safe driving. When a progressive eye disease is detected or declared, driving licences may be issued or renewed subject to the applicant undergoing regular examination by a competent medical authority.
- 6.2. Applicants for a driving licence, or for the renewal of such a licence, who have total functional loss of vision in one eye or who use only one eye (e.g. in the case of diplopia) must have a visual acuity of at least 0,6, with corrective lenses if necessary. The competent medical authority must certify that this condition of monocular vision has existed sufficiently long to allow adaptation and that the field of vision in this eye is normal.

Group 2:

- 6.3. Applicants for a driving licence or for the renewal of such a licence must have a visual acuity, with corrective lenses if necessary, of at least 0,8 in the better eye and at least 0,5 in the worse eye. If corrective lenses are used to attain the values of 0,8 and 0,5, the uncorrected acuity in each eye must reach 0,05, or else the minimum acuity (0,8 and 0,5) must be achieved either by correction by means of glasses with a power not exceeding plus or minus four dioptries or with the aid of contact lenses (uncorrected vision = 0,05). The correction must be well tolerated. Driving licences shall not be issued to or renewed for applications or drivers without a normal binocular field of vision or suffering from diplopia.

HEARING

7. Driving licences may be issued to or renewed for applicants or drivers in Group 2 subject to the opinion of the competent medical authorities; particular account will be taken in medical examinations of the scope for compensation.

PERSONS WITH A LOCOMOTOR DISABILITY

8. Driving licences shall not be issued to or renewed for applicants or drivers suffering from complaints or abnormalities of the locomotor system which make it dangerous to drive a power-driven vehicle.

Group 1:

- 8.1. Driving licences subject to certain restrictions, if necessary, may be issued to physically handicapped applicants or drivers following the issuing of an opinion by a competent medical authority. This opinion must be based on a medical assessment of the complaint or abnormality in question and, where necessary, on a practical test. It must also indicate what type of modification to the vehicle is required and whether

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the driver needs to be fitted with an orthopaedic device, insofar as the test of skills and behaviour demonstrates that with such a device driving would not to be dangerous.

- 8.2. Driving licences may be issued to or renewed for any applicant suffering from a progressive complaint on condition that the disabled person is regularly examined to check that the person is still capable of driving the vehicle completely safely.

Where the handicap is static, driving licences may be issued or renewed without the applicant being subject to regular medical examination.

Group 2:

- 8.3. The competent medical authority shall give due consideration to the additional risks and dangers involved in the driving of vehicles covered by the definition of this group.

CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASES

9. Any disease capable of exposing an applicant for a first licence or a driver applying for renewal to a sudden failure of the cardiovascular system such that there is a sudden impairment of the cerebral functions constitutes a danger to road safety.

Group 1:

- 9.1. Driving licences will not to be issued to, or renewed for, applicants or drivers with serious arrhythmia.
- 9.2. Driving licences may be issued to, or renewed for, applicants or drivers wearing a pacemaker subject to authorized medical opinion and regular medical check-ups.
- 9.3. The question whether to issue or renew a licence for applicants or drivers suffering from abnormal arterial blood pressure shall be assessed with reference to the other results of the examination, may associated complications and the danger they might constitute for road safety.
- 9.4. Generally speaking, a driving licence shall not be issued to or renewed for applicants or drivers suffering from angina during rest or emotion. The issuing or renewal of a driving licence to any applicant or driver having suffered myocardial infarction shall be subject to authorized medical opinion and, if necessary, regular medical check-ups.

Group 2:

- 9.5. The competent medical authority shall give due consideration to the additional risks and dangers involved in the driving of vehicles covered by the definition of this group.

DIABETES MELLITUS

10. Driving licences may be issued to, or renewed for, applicants or drivers suffering from diabetes mellitus, subject to authorized medical opinion and regular medical check-ups appropriate to each case.

Group 2:

- 10.1. Only in very exceptional cases may driving licences be issued to, or renewed for, applicants or drivers in this group suffering from diabetes mellitus and requiring insulin treatment, and then only where duly justified by authorized medical opinion and subject to regular medical check-ups.

NEUROLOGICAL DISEASES

11. Driving licences shall not be issued to, or renewed for, applicants or drivers suffering from a serious neurological disease, unless the application is supported by authorized medical opinion.

Neurological disturbances associated with diseases or surgical intervention affecting the central or peripheral nervous system, which lead to sensory or motor deficiencies and affect balance and coordination, must accordingly be taken into account in relation to their functional effects and the risks of progression. In such cases, the issue or renewal of the licence may be subject to periodic assessment in the event of risk of deterioration.

12. Epileptic seizures or other sudden disturbances of the state of consciousness constitute a serious danger to road safety if they occur in a person driving a power-driven vehicle.

Group 1:

12.1. A licence may be issued or renewed subject to an examination by a competent medical authority and to regular medical check-ups. The authority shall decide on the state of the epilepsy or other disturbances of consciousness, its clinical form and progress (no seizure in the last two years, for example), the treatment received and the results thereof.

Group 2:

12.2. Driving licences shall not be issued to or renewed for applicants or drivers suffering or liable to suffer from epileptic seizures or other sudden disturbances of the state of consciousness.

MENTAL DISORDERS

Group 1:

13.1. Driving licences shall not be issued to, or renewed for, applicants or drivers who suffer from:

- severe mental disturbance, whether congenital or due to disease, trauma or neurosurgical operations,
- severe mental retardation,
- severe behavioural problems due to ageing; or personality defects leading to seriously impaired judgment, behaviour or adaptability,

unless their application is supported by authorized medical opinion and, if necessary, subject to regular medical check-ups.

Group 2:

13.2. The competent medical authority shall give due consideration to the additional risks and dangers involved in the driving of vehicles covered by the definition of this group.

ALCOHOL

14. Alcohol consumption constitutes a major danger to road safety. In view of the scale of the problem, the medical profession must be very vigilant.

Group 1:

14.1. Driving licences shall not be issued to, or renewed for, applicants or drivers who are dependent on alcohol or unable to refrain from drinking and driving.

After a proven period of abstinence and subject to authorized medical opinion and regular medical check-ups, driving licences may be issued to, or renewed for, applicant or drivers who have in the past been dependent on alcohol.

Group 2:

14.2. The competent medical authority shall give due consideration to the additional risks and dangers involved in the driving of vehicles covered by the definition of this group.

DRUGS AND MEDICINAL PRODUCTS

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Driving licences shall not be issued to or renewed for applicants or drivers who are dependent on psychotropic substances or who are not dependent on such substances but regularly abuse them, whatever category of licence is requested.

Regular use:

Group 1:

15.1. Driving licences shall not be issued to, or renewed for, applicants or drivers who regularly use psychotropic substances, in whatever form, which can hamper the ability to drive safely where the quantities absorbed are such as to have an adverse effect on driving. This shall apply to all other medicinal products or combinations of medicinal products which affect the ability to drive.

Group 2:

15.2. The competent medical authority shall give due consideration to the additional risks and dangers involved in the driving of vehicles covered by the definitions of this group.

RENAL DISORDERS

Group 1:

16.1. Driving licences may be issued or renewed for applicants and drivers suffering from serious renal insufficiency subject to authorized medical opinion and regular medical check-ups.

Group 2:

16.2. Save in exceptional cases duly justified by authorized medical opinion, and subject to regular medical check-ups, driving licences shall not be issued to or renewed for applicants or drivers suffering from serious and irreversible renal deficiency.

MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

Group 1:

17.1. Subject to authorized medical opinion and, if necessary, regular medical check-ups, driving licences may be issued to or renewed for applications or drivers who have had an organ transplant or an artificial implant which affects the ability to drive.

Group 2:

17.2. The competent medical authority shall give due consideration to the additional risks and dangers involved in the driving of vehicles covered by the definition of this group.

18. As a general rule, where applicants or drivers suffer from any disorder which is not mentioned in the preceding paragraph but is liable to be, or to result in, a functional incapacity affecting safety at the wheel, driving licences shall not be issued or renewed unless the application is supported by authorized medical opinion and, if necessary, subject to regular medical check-ups.

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