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Quick Reference Guide - Advice for motorists driving abroad

Driving abroad on a temporary basis

List of Countries for which an International Driving Permit (IDP) is **no longer required*** in addition to a domestic issued driving licence when driving abroad on a temporary basis (up to 1 year):

UK	Jersey	Isle of Man
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Plus

Austria	Bulgaria	Czech Republic	Denmark ²	Estonia ²
Finland	France	Germany ³	Gibraltar	Greece
Hungary	Iceland ¹	Ireland	Latvia	Liechtenstein
Lithuania ³	Luxembourg ³	Malta	Netherlands	Norway
Poland ³	Portugal ³	Romania	Slovakia ³	Slovenia ²
Spain ³	Sweden	Switzerland		

¹ for periods up to 30 days, ² for periods up to 90 days, ³ for periods up to 6 months

List of EU / EEA Countries which **may** require a 1968 Permit:

Belgium	Croatia	Italy
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List of EU / EEA Countries which **may** require a 1949 Permit:

Cyprus

*For peace of mind you can still obtain an IDP at a cost of £13 from Driver and Vehicle Licensing at Bulwer Avenue when driving abroad in the above accepted countries should you wish. In some exempted countries you may still be asked to provide an IDP if you are hiring a car.

A full list of IDP requirements for driving in a non-EU / EEA country is included in the Detailed Guidance Note.

Exchanging Driving Licence entitlement if moving to live in the EU / EEA

List of Countries for which driving entitlement **will** now be exchanged:

UK	Jersey	Isle of Man
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Plus:

Austria	Czech Republic	Estonia	Finland ¹	France
Germany	Gibraltar	Greece	Hungary	Ireland
Latvia ²	Luxembourg	Malta ²	Netherlands	Norway
Poland	Romania	Slovakia	Slovenia	

¹Exchange in categories A, A1, A2 & B only

²Still awaiting formal clarification

List of Countries which **may** require you to take a driving test:

Belgium	Bulgaria	Croatia	Cyprus	Denmark
Iceland	Italy ¹	Liechtenstein ¹	Lithuania	Portugal
Spain ^{1 2}	Sweden	Switzerland ¹		

¹ Countries that are currently known to be refusing to exchange Bailiwick of Guernsey Driving Licences (negotiations ongoing with Italy and Spain to permit exchange)

²Entitled to drive on a foreign licence until 30/10/21

The UK Government is continuing to negotiate with the above EU / EEA countries on an individual basis in order to determine whether further agreements can be reached to permit the exchange of driving licence entitlement if moving to live abroad.

Further updates will be provided as soon as any more changes are known.