

Driving Licence Application

How can I apply for a driving licence and how long will this take?

You can apply for your Driving Licence online by clicking on the “Start Now” button in the “Learners” icon and then click on “Apply” in the “Apply for a new Learner Permit” section. This application is done in three phases;

The first being where you, as the candidate, fill in your personal details and those of your preferred method of training. In cases where you pick the Motoring School you wish to train with, the system shall automatically inform them of your request for them to accept you as a client and they will also assign an Instructor to train you - you shall be notified of this once confirmed.

This application shall be vetted by Transport Malta and once they send you notification that the application, including photo quality, have been approved for continuation of the process then you may also go to your medical Doctor who shall complete the online form and confirm the identification photo you uploaded.

At this stage if both the School and the Doctor have completed their part of the application, then you shall be required to effect payment upon confirmation of which you shall receive a final email with your Learner Permit together with the Student Record sheet and helpful links to assist you in your training.

The process highly depends on the completion of the full form and approvals from all parties involved i.e. the School chosen, your Medical practitioner and Transport Malta. The learner Permit is issued automatically once payment is effected.

How much does it cost to apply for a driving licence?

The Learner’s Permit costs €23.25 and is valid for three years.

During this period client shall need to sit and pass a Theory Test at the cost of €30.25 (€22.50 for re-sits) and also a Practical Driving Test €23.25. On successful completion of these, a Probationary Driving Licence is issued for three years against a fee of €31.00 payable online on the day of test or thereafter upon successful completion of test. However, if you are adding a new driving licence category to your already existing driving licence, there will only be a charge of €10 for the inclusion of the new licence category (also payable online on the day of test or thereafter).

Please note that the above fees charged by Transport Malta exclude any additional commercial fees charged by Motoring Schools for their service.

Is the Maltese driving licence valid only in Malta?

A Maltese driving licence is valid in all EU member states with the exceptional of national categories which are valid only in Malta.

Naturally one is advised to always keep themselves updated on the legislation in that specific EU country if/when driving abroad.

What categories can I apply for?

The following is the list of Categories you may apply for.

AM	<p>Two-wheel vehicles (mopeds) or three-wheel vehicles with a maximum design speed of not more than 45 km/h.</p> <p>Light quadricycles with a maximum design speed of not more than 45 km/h, and a power output not exceeding 4 kW in the case of other internal combustion engines, or whose maximum continuous rated power does not exceed 4 kW in the case of an electric motor.</p>
A1	<p>(a) Motorcycles with a cylinder capacity not exceeding 125 cubic centimetres, of a power not exceeding 11 kW and with a power/weight ratio not exceeding 0.1 kW/kg.</p> <p>(b) Motor tricycles with a power not exceeding 15 kW.</p>
A2	Motorcycles of a power not exceeding 35 kW and with a power/weight ratio not exceeding 0.2 kW/kg and not derived from a vehicle of more than double its power.
A	<p>Motorcycles.</p> <p>Motor tricycles with a power exceeding 15 kW.</p>
B1	Quadricycles
B	<p>Motor vehicles with a maximum authorised mass not exceeding 3,500 kg and designed and constructed for the carriage of no more than eight passengers in addition to the driver, motor vehicles in this category may be combined with a trailer having a maximum authorised mass which does not exceed 750 kg.</p> <p>Without prejudice to the provisions of type-approval rules for the vehicles concerned, motor vehicles in this category may be combined with a trailer with a maximum authorised mass exceeding 750 kg, provided that the maximum authorised mass of this combination does not exceed 4,250 kg. Where such a combination exceeds 3,500 kg it shall be driven only after a test of skills and behaviour in accordance with Annex V of the Directive.</p> <p>Motor tricycles with a power exceeding 15kW (provided that the holder of the licence is at least 21 years of age).</p>
BE	Without prejudice to the provisions of type-approval rules for the vehicles concerned, combination of vehicles consisting of a tractor vehicle in category B and a trailer or semi-trailer where the maximum authorised mass of the trailer or semi-trailer does not exceed 3,500 kg.
C1	Motor vehicles other than those in categories D1 or D, the maximum authorised mass of which exceeds 3,500 kg, but does not exceed 7,500 kg, and which are designed and constructed for the carriage of no more than eight passengers in addition to the driver; motor vehicles in this category may be combined with a trailer having a maximum authorised mass not exceeding 750 kg.
C1E	<p>(a) Without prejudice to the provisions of type-approval rules for the vehicles concerned, combinations of vehicles where the tractor vehicle is in category C1 and its trailer or semi-trailer has a maximum authorised mass of over 750 kg provided that the authorised mass of the combination does not exceed 12,000 kg.</p> <p>(b) Without prejudice to the provisions of type-approval rules for the vehicles concerned, combinations of vehicles where the tractor vehicle is in category B and its trailer or semi-trailer has an authorised mass of over 3,500 kg, provided that the authorised mass of the combination does not exceed 12,000 kg.</p>
C	Motor vehicles other than those in categories D1 or D, whose maximum authorised mass is over 3,500 kg and which are designed and constructed for the carriage of no more than eight passengers in addition to the driver. Motor vehicles in this category may be combined with a trailer having a maximum authorised mass which does not exceed 750kg.
CE	Without prejudice to the provisions of type-approval rules for the vehicles concerned, combinations of vehicles where the tractor vehicle is in category C and its trailer or semi-trailer has a maximum authorised mass of over 750 kg.
D1	Motor vehicles designed and constructed for the carriage of no more than 16 passengers in addition to the driver and with a maximum length not exceeding 8 metres. Motor vehicles in this category may be combined with a trailer having a maximum authorised mass not exceeding 750 kg.

D1E	<i>Without prejudice to the provisions of type-approval rules for the vehicles concerned, combinations of vehicles where the tractor vehicle is in category D1 and its trailer has a maximum authorised mass of over 750 kg.</i>
D	<i>Motor vehicles designed and constructed for the carriage of more than eight passengers in addition to the driver; motor vehicles which may be driven with a category D licence may be combined with a trailer having a maximum authorized mass which does not exceed 750 kg.</i>
DE	<i>Without prejudice to the provisions of type-approval rules for the vehicles concerned, combinations of vehicles where the tractor vehicle is in category D and its trailer has a maximum authorised mass of over 750 kgs.</i>

Can I learn different categories at the same time?

Yes you can learn different categories at the same time if these are for a motorbike (different ages are applicable as per Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) Regulations - SL 65.18), car and tractor. In the case of categories C, CE, D1, D1E, D and DE one must have held a driving licence for a car for at least one year besides different age criteria applicable to the respective category.

I started learning to drive in another EU country, can I continue my training here?

You may wish to apply for a Learner's Permit locally as long as you are now a resident of Malta having lived here for at least 185 days in the last year and have had a Maltese I.D. Card or Residence Card issued.

I have a driving licence issued by another country, can I add more categories?

Should you wish to add categories to your EU Driving Licence then you shall need to Exchange your Driving Licence to a Maltese one following which you may apply for the additional category eg if you have Category B for a car and wish to obtain a motorbike category (or trucks, buses etc) then you first obtain the Maltese Driving Licence by means of an Exchange and then be able to apply for the new category you wish to learn.

Non-EU Driving Licences (issued by third countries) cannot have additional categories obtained in Malta. If you are a resident of Malta during this period it is suggested that you apply to sit and obtain a Maltese Driving Licence in the chosen categories.

Learner Permit

What is a Learner Permit?

A Learner Permit is a document issued upon applying for a Driving Licence category.

This document must be in hand before any training for a Driving Licence category can start and must also be kept with you as the client during any training on the road. Upon finalizing payment one is emailed to you and another copy is sent to the Motoring School you're registered with.

Should you lose this permit a copy is always available through your email account or your School.

Transport Malta reserves the right to withdraw any Permit in circulation in exceptional cases if required.

When does a Learner Permit expire?

This Permit is valid for a period of 3 years following which a fresh application would be required.

I am trying to apply but the system is not accepting my personal details to start my application – what do I need to do?

Please check your ID Card and input details as per ID Card, alternatively system accepts a search by inserting your Date of Birth.

Can someone else apply on my behalf for a Learner's Permit?

The Learners section can be filled and submitted by yourself as the applicant or any person on your behalf as long as the photo and signature are correct.

Can I choose my Motoring School?

Yes, please select your preferred Motoring School from the dropdown list that is featured when applying.

Can I choose my Motoring School Driving Instructor?

Yes, one can choose your Driving Instructor by discussing directly with the Motoring School.

Can I change my Motoring School?

One can change the Motoring School as long as the Motoring School has not yet accepted the applicant as their student; thereafter, a [Change of Motoring School \(click link\)](#) form is to be completed and forwarded to Transport Malta by the Learner.

A fresh Learner Permit shall be printed featuring the new School; this shall remain valid as per dates featured in the original permit.

My Doctor doesn't have internet connection or E-ID, can I still use my regular Doctor?

It is recommended to be completed online if you have a Doctor who offers this service. A list of Registered Doctors is available through the Medical Council (link

https://ehealth.gov.mt/HealthPortal/others/regulatory_councils/medical_council/medicalcouncilregisters.aspx.

We will however, for a transitory period of time, still accept paper medical certificates

Can I scan and send a medical certificate from my Doctor?

No. Scanned copies of certificates are not acceptable. You may take the original to the TM offices in Floriana or send by regular mail with clear instructions that this relates to your application for the driving licence.

I applied online but did not receive confirmation of application or anything else, is everything ok?

You should have received an Application Code in order to be able to continue with your application. You can also click on "Manage my Application" and enter your ID Card number and the application code to view the status of your application. If you still encounter a difficulty, please contact Transport Malta on Freephone 80072393.

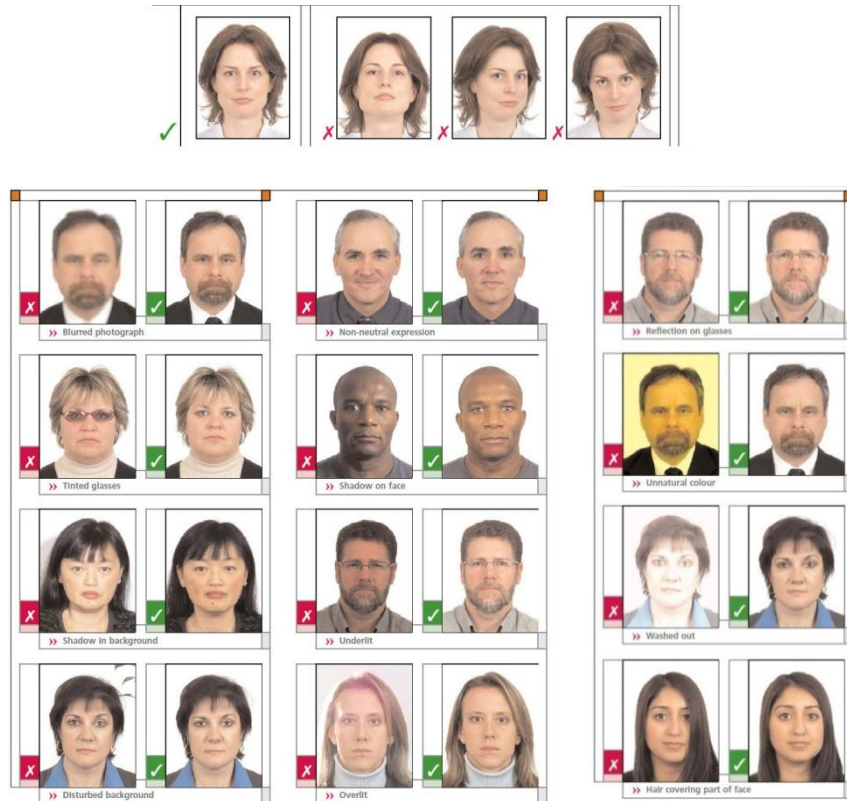
I don't have a scanner to send the Insurance endorsement coverage, can I send this by mail separately?

No. Please take a good photo using a smart phone or tablet and upload this onto the online application.

My photo has not been accepted, what is wrong with it and how should it be?

The system is set to accept quality photos for uploading. These need to be in .jpeg or .bmp format. It is very important that photos uploaded have a clear/white background and that you need to be facing forward with full clear facial features, no sunglasses, hats or helmets (unless for religious purposes).

A sample can be found here



When can I start my training?

Training can start once you receive the email with the Learner permit as per sample:



When should I do my Theory test?

You can sit for your Theory Test anytime before you can apply for your first Practical Driving Test.

Can I have different Instructors?

Yes you can, candidates sometimes opt to have their main training with a Motoring School and also have an additional Private Instructor, usually a family member for further on the road training.

In such cases Transport Malta shall need to be informed and shall also require special insurance coverage on the private vehicle being used.

Alternatively you may get your training with different private individuals as long as they have over 5 years experience in the relative category. In such cases Transport Malta shall need to be informed and shall also require special insurance coverage on the private vehicle/s being used.



The insurance coverage must include text as per sample:

Can I find more information online to help in my training?

Yes you can.

For more information please refer to the link below from our main website and under the section of Theory Test you shall find different links to various subjects to assist you with your preparation.

<http://www.transport.gov.mt/land-transport/driving/obtaining-your-driving-licence>

What do I need to do once my Learner Permit expires?

You need to apply for a new permit.

Practical Driving Test

How can I apply for a practical driving test and how long will this take?

You can apply for your Driving test online by clicking on the “Start Now” button in the “Learners” icon and then click on “Schedule” in the “Apply for driving test” section. Once you effect payment of the test, the test appointment is automatically emailed immediately to you.

Can someone else apply on my behalf for a Practical driving Test?

Yes any person of your choice can apply on your behalf.

How much does it cost to apply for a practical driving test?

A practical driving test costs €23.25. Same fee applies for resits when necessary. Should you select a test on a Saturday then a fee of €40.00 is applicable

How long does the practical driving Test take?

Category A practical driving tests – approx 75mins
Category B practical driving tests – approx 45mins
Category C and D practical driving tests – approx 90mins

Do I need to submit the Theory Test certificate?

No. It is required that you have passed your test in the relative category before your first practical driving test.

Can I book my Theory Test online?

To book your Theory Test you shall need to call the Theory Test Centre situated at Gwardamangia Hill, Gwandamangia on 21227190 or 27227190 and arrange for an appointment with them. It is important to state the category you are applying for them to guide you to go the correct one. Their hours are as follows;

Winter 01/10/15 to 30/06/16

Mondays / Tuesdays / Thursdays	– 8am to 4pm (tests start at 8am - last test starting 3pm)
Wednesdays	– 8am to 6pm (tests start at 11am - last test starting 5pm)
Fridays	– 8am to 2pm (tests start at 8am - last test starting 1pm)

Can I do my Theory test after my practical driving test?

No. You must pass the Theory Test before you can apply for the practical driving test.

Can I choose the date and time convenient to me for my practical driving test?

Yes. If you will be using the Motoring School vehicle for the driving test, please agree beforehand the date and time with the Motoring School.

Can I change the practical test date and time?

Once you as the applicant select a date and time and submit the application for the Driving Test, then you cannot change that selection through the on-line system and will need to contact the Driving and Passenger Operator Licensing Unit for consideration.

I have failed my practical driving test, what do I need to do to continue?

A fresh application for a driving test is required.

I have passed my practical driving test, what do I need to do now?

Congratulations for passing the final stage of your application.

On successful completion of your Practical test, a Probationary Driving Licence is issued for three years against a fee of €31.00 payable online on the day of test or thereafter.

If you are adding a new driving licence category to your already existing driving licence, there will only be a charge of €10 for the inclusion of the new licence category (also payable online on the day of test or thereafter).