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Until the licence expires, you do not have to exchange it. For licences issued after 19 January 2013 the period is 15 years. If you do want to exchange your driving licence, follow the steps as described in the box below.

I have privileged status (MFA card).

Yes

You do not have to, but may exchange your valid driving licence. If you want to exchange your driving licence and are registered in the BRP*, please apply at a submunicipality office.

If you are not registered in the BRP*, please apply directly to the Netherlands Vehicle Authority (RDW) or contact your HR department.

*Personal Records Database

No

Yes

My driving licence was issued less than 10 years ago, in an EU/EFTA* country.

*Iceland, Norway, Liechtenstein, Switzerland

No

You can start the procedure for exchanging a driving licence by making an appointment at a sub-municipal office.

Please bring:

1. A passport photo in accordance with Dutch regulations
2. 50 euros or a debit card
3. Your current driving licence
4. Valid identification
5. The original 30%-tax rule statement (if applicable)

You have to exchange your (or retake the exam for a) driving licence. Your driving licence is valid for driving in this country up to 2 years (EU/EFTA citizens) or 185 days after BRP (Personal Records Database) registration.

The country that issued my driving licence is either an EU/EFTA country, or is in the list of countries and exceptions on the left.

Yes

No

Yes

My licence is issued in an EU/EFTA country.

No

Yes

The 30% tax-rule applies to me, my partner or one of my children.

No

Countries and exceptions

Aruba, Dutch Antilles, Jersey, Isle of Man, Monaco.

Driving licences issued in the countries below can only be exchanged for the specific categories:

Category	Foreign	Dutch
Taiwan	B	B
Israel	B	B
Japan	1B	A/B
Singapore	Cls 2/3	A/B
Andorra	pas. veh.	B
South Korea	Cls 2 ord.	B
Quebec (Can)	Cls 5	B

To exchange a valid driving licence, submit a Statement of Health and a proof of living* of 185 days or more in the country that issued your licence.

Important

- During the conversion process (2-3 wks) you do not have a driving licence and are not permitted to drive.
- Licences composed in a language with non-western characters must have an official translation.

*copies of all passport pages, plane tickets, employer's certificate with salary- or tax documents.

Your driving licence cannot be exchanged. You will need to take lessons to obtain a Dutch driving licence. Contact an acknowledged driving school and take the exams.

Statement of Health

Purchase the Statement of Health at The Hague International Centre, the Central Office for Motor Vehicle Driver Testing (CBR) or many driving schools.

Fill in the Statement of Health* (in Dutch) and send it to the CBR. Once you receive permission, make an appointment with the municipality to submit your documents for exchanging your driving licence.

*See our wizard on How to fill in your medical statement.