

Driving licence information sheet for learner drivers

From Monday 8th June 2015, the paper counterpart will no longer have any legal status, meaning the information held on it will be accessed via the link www.gov.uk/view-driving-licence

People will be required to log into their licence with 3 identifiers:

- Full driver number found on your driving licence.
- Postcode that is held on your driving licence
- National Insurance (NI) number

Your NI number can be found on your P60 or payslips. If you have forgotten your NI number, then call the NI helpline on 0300 200 3500. HMRC cannot confirm NI numbers over the phone.

If you have an '8' in your driver number, then you won't be able to use the online view driving licence service at the moment. Instead, you will need to contact DVLA on their helpline 0300 083 0013.

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View your driving licence information

This service replaces the paper counterpart of your licence.

You can use this service to:

- · view your driving record, eg vehicles you can drive
- create a licence 'check code' to share your driving record with someone, eg a car hire company

The 'check code' will allow someone to see:

- · what vehicles you can drive
- any penalty points or disqualifications you have
- the last 8 characters of your driving licence number

You can't use this service:

- · if your licence was issued in Northern Ireland
- to check the progress of a licence application
- · to check historical information, eg expired penalty points



Sharing your licence information

Sometimes it is necessary to share a summary of your driving licence information with people who have a business need to see it, such as a driving instructor, or car hire companies etc. This is to make sure that all of the details on your driving licence, either provisional or full, are valid and you are legal to drive. This should be carried out before any on-road training takes place.

In order to share your driving licence information, (both provisional and full licences), you will need to log into your driving licence following the steps above. Once logged in, you can generate a code to share with your driving instructor, so they can check a summary of your licence. They will need this code and the last 8 digits of your driver number (found on your licence).

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You should only use this service to view or share your own driving licence.

Your driving licence number

Example: MORGA657054SM9IJ

Where to find your driving licence number

Your National Insurance number

Example: QQ123456C

Where to find your National Insurance Number

Postcode

Example: EH19SP

If you still have the old style paper driving licence that was issued before the photocard was introduced in 1998, all of your details are up to date and you have not exceed the maximum number of penalty points, or have your licence restricted for any reason, for example on medical grounds, then this licence will still be valid. Even with some restrictions, your licence can still be valid. For best practice, if you are in any doubt, then contact the DVLA on their customer enquiries number 0300 790 6801.

In addition to viewing your licence details online, you can also:

- see the categories of vehicles that you can drive
- any penalty points or disqualifications
- share your licence information with others who have a need to see it

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