

Information Sheet

Staged conversion of Drivers Licenses

In accordance with the thirteenth regulation pertaining to the amendment of driving licenses and other traffic law regulations dated 11 March 2019 (BGBl. I S. 218) it has been decided upon, that the conversion of driving licenses will be in compliance with the European requirements. This early staged conversion is a necessity thus heeding to the Third EU Driving License Directive (guideline 2006/126/EG of the European Parliament and its council on drivers licenses), all licenses issued before 19.01.2013 have to be converted by 19.01.2033. In order to prevent forgery, it must be ensured that all EU licenses in circulation are consistent.

The conversion will be staged as follows:

I. Licenses issued until 31.12.1998

Date of birth of holder	Date by which license must be converted
before 1953	19.01.2033
1953-1958	19.01.2022
1959-1964	19.01.2023
1965-1970	19.01.2024
1971 oder später	19.01.2025

II. Licenses issued from 01.01.1999

Date of issue	Date by which license must be converted
1999-2001	19.01.2026
2002-2004	19.01.2027
2005-2007	19.01.2028
2008	19.01.2029
2009	19.01.2030
2010	19.01.2031
2011	19.01.2032
2012-18.01.2013	19.01.2033

*License holders who were born before 1953 must have their licenses converted by 19.01.2033

After the above mentioned deadlines, your license will be invalid.

This is only an administrative exchange, your license remains unchanged. Additional medical examinations' and/or other tests are not required. These are furthermore, only necessary for certain professional groups with certain responsibilities

The new license will be limited to a validity of 15 years. After expiry a new license must be applied for.

Further information can be found on the following website:

<https://www.bmvi.de/SharedDocs/DE/Artikel/StV/pflichtumtausch-von-fuehrerscheinen.html>