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Convention on Road Traffic (1968):**Driving Permits****Options for the appropriate IDP Categories resulting from the new Licence Categories defined in the EU Driving Licence Directive and discrepancies in the Driving Permit/Licence Categories between the 1968 Convention and the EU Driving Licence Directive****Submitted by France, Luxembourg, the Fédération Internationale de l'Automobile (FIA) and International Organization for Standardization (ISO)**

This document contains a proposal on suitable solutions for the mutual recognition of driving permits prepared by the informal expert group consisting of representatives of France, Luxembourg, the Fédération Internationale de l'Automobile (FIA) and International Organization for Standardization (ISO). In this document, the differences between the driving permit category definitions in the 1968 Convention relative to the corresponding definition for the same symbol in the EU 3rd Directive have the following meanings as indicated by the typefaces/styles below:

- Single underlining – aspects included in the 1968 Convention that were omitted or changed in the EU 3rd Directive;
- Double underlining – aspects included in the EU 3rd Directive that do not appear in or differ from 1968 Convention;
- Bold – highlight the symbol and restrictive condition of use in combination with the appropriate Category from the 1968 Convention to be recorded in the IDP;

- Italics – highlight when more than one Category from the 1968 Convention is to be recorded in the IDP, as well as the instance where the preferred wording of the restrictive condition is to be selected from the available options.














I. Introduction

1. As a result of the new Licence Categories defined in the current EU Driving Licence Directive in accordance with paragraph 10 of Annex 6 of the Convention and the discrepancies that exist in the Driving Permit/Licence Categories between the 1968 Convention and the EU Driving Licence Directive, authorities issuing or associations empowered to issue IDPs have been faced with difficulties in the interpretation of the EU categories and the appropriate UN category code to be recorded in the IDP when approached by a holder of an EU licence that has been issued in accordance with Directive 2006/126/EC of 20 December 2006 (3rd Directive).

2. While the discrepancies cannot be resolved in the immediate future, it is important that guidance be provided to the government departments and associations issuing IDPs to the holders of EU driving licences that have been issued in accordance with the 3rd Directive.

3. This document summarizes the difficulties experienced and offers suggestions for the consideration and comment of the European Contracting Parties with a view to reach agreement on the interpretation for IDPs to be issued in a consistent manner by all departments and associations involved, instead of simply allowing each of these departments and associations to draw their own conclusions regarding the appropriate category code to be issued.

4. Although the "Restrictive Conditions of Use" in the left hand page of the IDP is annotated as 'For example: "Must wear corrective lenses", "Valid only for driving vehicle No.", "Vehicle must be equipped to be driven by a one-legged person".' in the Convention, the options suggested in this document include restrictive conditions of use to be entered in cases where the driving authorisation permitted by the EU driving licence categories is more restrictive in the interest of road safety than the driving permit categories defined in the Convention.

PARTICULARS CONCERNING THE DRIVER	
Family name:	1.
Given name, other names:	2.
Place of birth: ¹	3.
Date of birth:	4.
Place of normal residence: ²	5.
CATEGORIES AND SUBCATEGORIES OF VEHICLES, WITH THE CORRESPONDING CODES, FOR WHICH THE PERMIT IS VALID	
Category code/Pictogram	Subcategory code/Pictogram
A 	A1 
B 	B1 
C 	C1 
D 	D1 
BE 	
CE 	C1E 
DE 	D1E 
RESTRICTIVE CONDITIONS OF USE ³	

II. Appropriate IDP category for categories of vehicles in paragraph 8 of Annex 6 of the Convention

<i>Cate-gory</i>	<i>1968 Convention Definition (28 March 2006 amendment)</i>	<i>EU 3rd Directive Definition (Directive 2006/126/EC of 20 December 2006)</i>	<i>Appropriate Category and Restriction Recorded in IDP</i>	<i>Information for holders of EU driving licences issued as of 19 Jan 2013</i>
A	Motorcycles.	Motorcycles, with or without a sidecar <u>and motor tricycles with a maximum design speed of more than 45 km/h and power exceeding 15kW.</u>	A¹ and B1 Restrictive condition of use for EU driving licences issued as of 19 January 2013: Tricycles only <i>or</i> No Quadricycles²	Category A on IDP is restricted to two wheeled vehicles only.

¹ Since the European Agreement supplementing the 1968 Convention makes provision for three-wheeled vehicles whose unladen mass does not exceed 400kg to be treated as motorcycles by the parties thereto, Contracting Parties outside the European Economic Area (EEA) will restrict this driving authorization to two-wheeled vehicles only.

² Select the preferred wording from either "Tricycles only" or "No Quadricycles" – "No Quadricycles" is probably more appropriate as a "restriction" in the IDP.

<i>Category</i>	<i>1968 Convention Definition (28 March 2006 amendment)</i>	<i>EU 3rd Directive Definition (Directive 2006/126/EC of 20 December 2006)</i>	<i>Appropriate Category and Restriction Recorded in IDP</i>	<i>Information for holders of EU driving licences issued as of 19 Jan 2013</i>
B	Motor vehicles, other than those in category A, having a permissible maximum mass not exceeding 3,500kg and not more than eight <u>seats</u> in addition to the driver's seat; or motor vehicles of category B coupled to a trailer the permissible maximum mass of which does not exceed 750kg; or motor vehicles of category B coupled to a trailer the permissible maximum mass of which exceeds 750kg <u>but does not exceed the unladen mass of the motor vehicle, where the combined permissible maximum mass of the vehicles so coupled does not exceed 3,500kg.</u>	Motor Vehicles with a maximum authorised mass not exceeding 3,500kg and <u>designed and constructed for the carriage of no more than eight passengers</u> 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. <u>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 750kg provided that the maximum authorised mass of this combination does not exceed 4,250kg. In case such a combination exceeds 3,500kg this combination shall only be driven, after training has been completed or a test of skills and behaviour has been passed by the driver.</u> ³	B⁴. Restrictive conditions of use for EU driving licences issued as of 19 January 2013: No Tricycles [Alternative for Code 96: BE Restrictive condition of use for EU driving licences issued as of 19 January 2013: Combined permissible maximum mass ≤ 4,250kg No Tricycles]	Category B on IDP is restricted to motor vehicles coupled to trailers of which the permissible maximum mass does not exceed the unladen mass of the tractor vehicle and combined permissible maximum mass ≤ 3,500kg only.
C	Motor vehicles, other than those in category D, having a permissible maximum mass exceeding 3,500kg; or motor vehicles of category C coupled to a trailer the permissible maximum mass of which does not exceed 750kg.	Motor vehicles other than those in categories D1 or D, whose maximum authorised mass is over 3,500kg 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.	C	

³ Member States may also require both such training and the passing of a test of skills and behaviour. Member States shall indicate the entitlement to drive such a combination on the driving licence by means of the relevant Community code.

⁴ Since the European Agreement supplementing the 1968 Convention does not make provision for the definition in the 3rd Directive, Contracting Parties outside the EU will only allow trailers of which the permissible maximum mass does not exceed the unladen mass of the motor vehicle and restrict this driving authorisation to a combined permissible maximum mass of the vehicles so coupled up to 3,500kg. Furthermore, EU driving licences issued as of 19 January 2013 are not valid for driving tricycles.

<i>Category</i>	<i>1968 Convention Definition (28 March 2006 amendment)</i>	<i>EU 3rd Directive Definition (Directive 2006/126/EC of 20 December 2006)</i>	<i>Appropriate Category and Restriction Recorded in IDP</i>	<i>Information for holders of EU driving licences issued as of 19 Jan 2013</i>
D	Motor vehicles used for the carriage of passengers and having more than eight seats in addition to the driver's seat; or motor vehicles of category D coupled to a trailer the permissible maximum mass of which does not exceed 750kg.	Motor vehicles designed and constructed for the carriage of 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.	D	
BE	Motor vehicles of category B coupled to a trailer the permissible maximum mass of which exceeds 750kg and exceeds the unladen mass of the motor vehicle; or motor vehicles of category B coupled to a trailer the permissible maximum mass of which exceeds 750kg, where the combined permissible maximum mass of the vehicles so coupled exceeds 3,500kg.	Without prejudice to the provisions of type approval rules for the vehicles concerned, combinations of vehicles consisting of a motor vehicle in category B and a trailer or semi-trailer where the maximum authorised mass of the trailer or semi-trailer does not exceed 3,500kg.	BE	Restrictive conditions of use for EU driving licences issued as of 19 January 2013: Maximum authorised mass of the trailer or semi-trailer ≤ 3,500kg
CE	Motor vehicles of category C coupled to a trailer whose permissible maximum mass exceeds 750kg.	Without prejudice to the provisions of type approval rules for the vehicles concerned, combinations of vehicles where the tractor vehicle in Category C above and its trailer or semi-trailer has a maximum authorised mass exceeding 750kg.	CE	
DE	Motor vehicles of category D coupled to a trailer whose permissible maximum mass exceeds 750kg.	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 750kg.	DE	

III. Appropriate IDP category for subcategories of vehicles in paragraph 9 of Annex 6 of the Convention

<i>Category</i>	<i>1968 Convention Definition (28 March 2006 amendment)</i>	<i>EU 3rd Directive Definition (Directive 2006/126/EC of 20 December 2006)</i>	<i>Appropriate Category and Restriction Recorded in IDP</i>	<i>Information for holders of EU driving licences issued as of 19 Jan 2013</i>
AM		<u>Two-wheel and three-wheel</u> vehicles with a maximum design speed of not more than 45km/h and <u>light quadricycles</u>	A1⁵ and B1 Restrictive condition of use: Design speed ≤ 45 km/h	Category A1 on IDP is restricted to two-wheeled vehicles only
A1	Motorcycles with a cubic capacity not exceeding 125cm ³ and a power not exceeding 11kW (light motorcycles).	Motorcycles with a cylinder capacity not exceeding 125cm ³ , of a power not exceeding 11kW <u>and with a power/weight ratio not exceeding 0.1kW/kg</u> , with or without a sidecar; <u>and motor tricycles with a power not exceeding 15kW.</u>	A1⁶ and B1 Restrictive condition of use: Tricycles ≤ 15kW No quadricycles	Category A1 on IDP is restricted to two-wheeled vehicles only
A2		Motorcycles with or without a sidecar of a power not exceeding 35kW and with a power/weight ratio not exceeding 0.2kW/kg and not derived from a vehicle of more than double its power.	A Restrictive condition of use: Power ≤ 35 kW Power/weight ≤ 0,2 kW/kg Not derived from a vehicle of more than double its power. Two-wheeled vehicles only	
B1	<u>Motor tricycles and</u> quadricycles.	Quadricycles.	B1 Restrictive condition of use for EU driving licences issued as of 19 January	

⁵ Contracting parties outside the EEA will restrict this driving authorisation to two-wheeled vehicles only.

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<i>Category</i>	<i>1968 Convention Definition (28 March 2006 amendment)</i>	<i>EU 3rd Directive Definition (Directive 2006/126/EC of 20 December 2006)</i>	<i>Appropriate Category and Restriction Recorded in IDP</i>	<i>Information for holders of EU driving licences issued as of 19 Jan 2013</i>
			2013: Quadricycles only	
C1	Motor vehicles, with the exception of those in category D, the permissible maximum mass of which exceeds 3,500kg but does not exceed 7,500kg; or motor vehicles of subcategory C1 coupled to a trailer, the permissible maximum mass of which does not exceed 750kg.	Motor vehicles other than those in Category D and whose maximum authorised mass is over 3,500kg but not more than 7,500kg; <u>designed and constructed for the carriage of no more than eight passengers in addition to the driver</u> ; motor vehicles in this category may be combined with a trailer having a maximum authorised mass which does not exceed 750kg.	C1	
D1	Motor vehicles used for the carriage of passengers and having more than 8 <u>seats</u> in addition to the driver's seat but not more than 16 <u>seats</u> in addition to the driver's seat; or motor vehicles of subcategory D1 coupled to a trailer, the permissible maximum mass of which does not exceed 750kg.	Motor vehicles designed and constructed for the carriage of no more than 16 <u>passengers</u> in addition to the driver <u>and with a maximum length not exceeding 8m</u> ; motor vehicles in this category may be combined with a trailer having a maximum authorised mass not exceeding 750kg.	D1	Restrictive condition of use for EU driving licences issued as of 19 January 2013: Length ≤ 8 m
C1E	Motor vehicles of subcategory C1 coupled to a trailer the permissible maximum mass of which exceeds 750kg <u>but does not exceed the unladen mass of the motor vehicle</u> , where the combined permissible maximum mass of the vehicles so coupled does not exceed 12,000kg	Without prejudice to the provisions of type approval rules for the vehicles concerned, combinations of vehicles in category C1 above combined with a trailer having a maximum authorised mass exceeding 750kg provided that the maximum authorised mass of the combination does not exceed 12,000kg. <u>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 has an authorised</u>	C1E⁷	Category C1E on IDP is restricted to tractor vehicles from category C1 only and trailers of which the permissible maximum mass does not exceed the unladen

⁷ Contracting Parties outside the EU will not allow tractor vehicles from Category B, but restrict this driving authorisation to vehicles from subcategory C1 only and trailers of which the permissible maximum mass does not exceed the unladen mass of the tractor vehicle.

<i>Category</i>	<i>1968 Convention Definition (28 March 2006 amendment)</i>	<i>EU 3rd Directive Definition (Directive 2006/126/EC of 20 December 2006)</i>	<i>Appropriate Category and Restriction Recorded in IDP</i>	<i>Information for holders of EU driving licences issued as of 19 Jan 2013</i>
D1E	Motor vehicles of subcategory D1 coupled to a trailer, not used for the <u>carriage of persons</u> , the permissible maximum mass of which exceeds 750kg <u>but does not exceed the unladen mass of the motor vehicle, where the combined permissible maximum mass of the vehicles so coupled does not exceed 12,000kg</u>	Without prejudice to type approval rules, motor vehicles in category D1 above combined with a trailer having a maximum authorised mass exceeding 750kg. <u>mass of over 3,500kg provided that the authorised mass of the combination does not exceed 12,000kg.</u>	D1E⁸ [Alternative for mass exceeding 12,000kg: DE Restrictive condition of use for EU driving licences issued as of 19 January 2013: Combined permissible maximum mass ≤ ?⁹kg]	mass of the tractor vehicle Category D1E on IDP is restricted to motor vehicles coupled to trailers of which the permissible maximum mass does not exceed the unladen mass of the tractor vehicle and combined permissible maximum mass ≤ 12,000kg

⁸ Contracting Parties outside the EU will only allow trailers of which the permissible maximum mass does not exceed the unladen mass of the tractor vehicle and restrict this driving authorisation to a combined permissible maximum mass of the vehicles so coupled up to 12,000 kg.

⁹ Should the type approval rules referred to in the EU Directive restrict the combined permissible maximum mass of the vehicles so coupled to a particular maximum value, then such maximum value could be specified in the restrictive condition of use.