# **Driving permits**

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# Background

Informal Document no. 3 prepared by the UN ECE WP1 Secretariat, with the collaboration of ISO and FIA, was presented during the 69<sup>th</sup> Session.

This document highlighted a series of issues and inconsistencies regarding International Driving Permits, and suggested options for a work plan outlining potential amendments to Annex 7 of the 1968 Convention on Road Traffic and Annex 10 of the 1949 Convention on Road Traffic.

## **IRREGULARITIES IN IDP ISSUANCE**

In 2013, after requesting copies of the authoritative translations of the text of the IDP from CPs to the 1968 and 1949 Convention on Road Traffic, the Secretariat found that:

- Only a small number of CPs is **fully compliant** with Annex 7 of the 1968 Convention.
- A number of CPs were issuing IDPs **pursuant to the wrong Convention**.

## INCONSISTENCIES REGARDING IDPS AND THEIR CONVENTIONS

The Secretariat also found that:

 The 1949 IDP model (as prescribed in Annex 10 of the 1949 Convention) has not been updated in the same manner as its corresponding Annex 7 in the 1968 Convention.

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Automobiles affectées au transport des personnes et comportant, outre le siège du conducteur, huit places assises au maximum ou affectées au transport des marchandises et ayant un poids maximum autorisé qui n'excède pas 3,500 kg (7,700 livres). Aux automobiles de cette catégorie peut être attelée une remorque légère.	в						
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Automobiles des catégories B, C ou D pour lesquelles le conducteur est habilité, avec remorques autres qu'une remorque légère.							
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#### **1949 Convention**

5 categories, text only - no pictograms Never updated

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#### **1968** Convention

13 categories, pictograms only Updated in 1993 and 2006

## INCONSISTENCIES REGARDING IDPS AND THEIR CONVENTIONS

• The Conventions differ as to the mandatory languages into which Model 3 left hand page has to be translated:

1949 Convention: all 6 official UN languages

Pages 1 and 2 shall be drawn up in the national language or languages.

The entire last page shall be drawn up in French.

Additional pages of the International Driving Permit shall repeat in other languages the text of part I of the last page. They shall be drawn up in the following languages:

- (a) Language(s) prescribed by the legislation of the issu-
- (4) The official languages of the United Nations,
- (c) At the most six other languages, chosen at the discretion of the issuing State.

1968 Convention:

FR, EN, ES and RU only

"The outside and inside of the front cover shall conform, respectively, to model pages Nos. 1 and 2 below; they shall be printed in the national language, or in at least one of the national languages, of the issuing State. The last two inside pages shall be facing pages conforming to model No. 3 below; they shall be printed in **French**. The inside pages preceding these two pages shall repeat the first of them in several languages, which must include **English**, **Russian and Spanish**".

### LIMITATIONS OF INTERNATIONAL DRIVING PERMITS

- IDPs contain **no security features**:
  - they can be easily copied and altered
  - difficult to detect fraudulent permits from genuine permits
- There is no register or directory of national motor vehicle agency contacts in order to verify the validity of a presented DDP or IDP.
- At the present time, the cancellation or suspension of the DDP does not result in an automatic cancellation of an IDP.

# Conclusion

## **REVISIT INTERNATIONAL DRIVING PERMITS**

- IDPs have to be accompanied by a DDP (1968 Convention):
  - Reliance on the validity of DDP
  - Dependence on the features of DDP to counter alteration or fraudulent reproduction
  - IDP serves as translation of DDP
- Instead of issuing 2 documents, contracting parties should be encouraged to improve the quality of the DDP which could be used internationally together with a translation.

## **Examples of DDP**

#### Kenya – hand written DDP to be replaced by plastic card



#### Ethiopia



**DDP** in Amharic



#### Translation of DDP for cross border travelling

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5<sup>th</sup> CLASS DRIVING LICENCE Bears authorization for the holder to operate on any road of the country any second, third or foully, class motor vehicle as well as any truck tractor coupled with any trailer other than a light trailer.

# Conclusion

### DOES IT MEAN THAT EACH COUNTRY NEEDS TO ISSUE 2 DOMESTIC DRIVING PERMITS?

 NO – countries who already issue a DDP which is compliant with the requirements for international use do not need to issue a second Driving Permit

## WHEN WOULD A COUNTRY NEED TO ISSUE A 2<sup>nd</sup> DOMESTIC DRIVING PERMIT FOR INTERNATIONAL USE?

 Only countries that issue a domestic driving permit which is not compliant with the requirements for international use do need to issue a second Driving Permit

# Examples of existing DDPs that are already compliant for International Use

Netherlands – suitable for international travel



#### **Germany** – suitable for international travel





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# Examples of existing DDPs that are already compliant for International Use

#### Namibia – suitable for international travel



#### Malawi – suitable for international travel

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# Examples of existing DDPs that are NOT compliant for International Use

**Ethiopia** – existing DDP NOT suitable for international travel



Japan – existing DDP NOT suitable for international travel

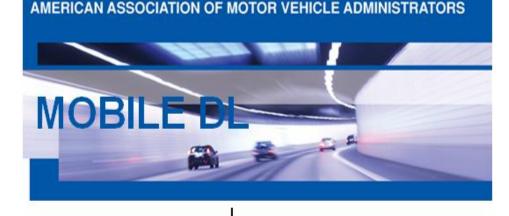


## The Future of DDPs

## Mobile (electronic) Driving Permit on a mobile/cellular phone

User requirements

 compiled by American
 Association of Motor
 Vehicle Administrators
 (AAMVA) in response to
 demand from their
 members (all the states in
 the USA, provinces of
 Canada and Mexico)



MOBILE DRIVER'S LICENSE FUNCTIONAL NEEDS WHITE PAPER 0.6

Document Version



This White Paper discusses functional needs for and practical considerations associated with a mobile driver's license solution.

## The Future of DDPs

## Electronic Driving Permit on a mobile phone

 Pilot application developed by the Österreichische Staatsdruckerei



