Naturalisation of driver's licence

Who can start the process?

Holders of a foreign driving licence, if they have reached the age of 17.

If the driving licence was issued in a third country not party to the 1968 Vienna Convention on Road Transport:

- the licence may be used for driving for a period of one year from the date of commencement of continuous residence. After that period, a Hungarian driving licence must be issued in place of the foreign driving licence by means of a naturalisation procedure.
- If, on the basis of a certified translation of the foreign driving licence, the content of the driving licence **corresponds** to the content of an international category which may be entered in a Hungarian driving licence as defined in the Annex to this Regulation, the driving licence may be naturalised after a successful examination in **basic traffic knowledge**.
- If the content of the driving licence **cannot be established or does not correspond** to the content of an international category which may be entered in a Hungarian driving licence as set out in the Annex to this Regulation, the driving licence may be naturalised after a successful **practical driving and basic traffic knowledge test**.

Where can you do it?

Central Registration Office, 1133 Budapest, Visegrádi u. 110-112.

You can book an appointment online on the following link: https://idopontfoglalo.kh.gov.hu/kormanyablak-347/ugyek-OKMIR10001/idopont-valasztas

Documents you will need:

- 1. Passport or ID card
- 2. Address card and residence permit
- 3. Certified hungarian translation of your foreign driving licence (Translation Office: OFFI Zrt. 1062 Budapest, Bajza utca 52.)
- 4. Medical certificate for "B" category driving licence (from your GP)
- 5. Proof of payment of the certificate issue fee. *

*In the case of payment by postal cash transfer order (cheque), the cheque slip, and in the case of payment by credit card at a document office or government office, the receipt of payment.

If you have an **International Driver's license**, you may be able to naturalise your license without taking the theory or practical exams, even if your license comes from a country not participating in the Vienna Convention. Ask the Central Office while applying to see if your country qualifies.

How much does it cost?

The naturalisation costs 6200 HUF and the medical certificate issued by your GP costs 7200 HUF.

If an examination is required, an administrative service fee of **4500** HUF per examination should be paid.

 $For more information visit \underline{https://welovebudapest.com/en/article/2020/1/13/driving-in-hungary-how-to-get-or-naturalise-your-licence}\\$

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