

# Welcome to Manitoba!

Manitoba licensing laws require that new residents and non-residents obtain a Manitoba driver's licence to continue driving in Manitoba after three months of arriving in the province.

Manitoba recognizes that Ukrainian Category B and BE (passenger vehicle) driver's licences are equivalent to Manitoba's Class 5 (passenger vehicle) licences. If you have a Category B and BE driver's licence from Ukraine, you are exempt from taking Manitoba's Class 5 knowledge and road tests. However, you must pass a vision test and exchange your Ukrainian licence to obtain the Class 5 licence.

Manitoba law does not permit drivers to hold more than one licence at a time, so you will need to surrender your valid (or expired less than 3 months) Ukrainian driver's licence before the Manitoba licence is issued. Your Ukrainian licence will not be returned to you.

## Apply for a Manitoba driver's licence

To apply, you must be set up as a customer and pass the vision test. You can do this by visiting any Manitoba Public Insurance (MPI) service centre in Manitoba.

You must bring original documentation to prove your identity, residency in Manitoba and entitlement to be in Canada. Photocopies are not accepted. Electronic scans of these documents will be retained on file, in keeping with Canadian standards.

For information on documents that can help establish your identity, visit our Proving My Identity tool at the following link:

<https://apps.mpi.mb.ca/idwizard/>

## Your licence

- If your Ukrainian licence has been expired more than three months when applying for a Manitoba licence, you will be

required to complete the knowledge test, vision test, and road test.

- If you hold a valid licence, pass the vision test and surrender your Ukrainian licence, you will be issued a full-stage Manitoba Class 5 (passenger vehicle) temporary driver's licence. A permanent licence will be sent to your home within 7-10 business days
- Upon surrendering your Ukrainian licence, MPI will verify that the licence is authentic.

*Note: If MPI cannot verify your licence, MPI will revoke the Class 5 licence and you will need to complete Manitoba's Graduated Driver Licensing Program (GDL) and pass the Class 5 knowledge and road tests.*

## **Cost**

Payment for your licence is due at the time the temporary licence is issued. The basic annual licensing fee is \$65. This amount may be adjusted in future years depending on your driving record.

## **Registration and insurance**

To register and insure a vehicle in Manitoba, you can attend any Autopac Agent or a Manitoba Public Insurance Service Centre.

## **What documents are required to register a vehicle?**

For a vehicle you've purchased or leased after arriving in Manitoba:

- The bill of sale or lease agreement
- New Vehicle Information Statement (NVIS)
- Transfer of Ownership Document (TOD)
- Certificate of Inspection and/or Body Integrity Inspection Certificate (BIIC) (*applies to used vehicles only*)

## **Discounts**

You may be entitled to receive a discount on your insurance premium based on your previous driving record. Requesting a claim history letter from your previous insurer and a driver record from your previous licensing authority provider may increase your discount level.

To receive a discount on your insurance you must hold a Manitoba driver's licence.

More information on licensing, registration and insurance can be found at: <https://www.mpi.mb.ca/Pages/Home.aspx>

## **Translations**

If your driving record and claims experience letter are only in Ukrainian, you will need to have your documents translated.

Official Translation will be accepted from:

- Any translation service provider in the yellow pages of Manitoba.  
<https://www.yellowpages.ca/locations/Manitoba/>
- Any translator registered with the Association of Translators and Interpreters of Manitoba (ATIM) [atim.mb.ca](http://atim.mb.ca).
- An Embassy or Consulate, on official letter head.