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Driver's License

A foreign national who is a holder of a valid foreign driver's license is allowed to drive (operate) a motor vehicle within ninety (90) days upon his/her arrival in the country.

To establish the date of arrival, it is advised that you always bring with you your passport when driving. Please note that your driver's license should be issued by a certain State or Government, i.e. Switzerland driver's license, and **NOT** by a private company that is catering for the issuance of an International Driving Permit.

Furthermore, the foreign national has an option to convert his valid foreign driver's license to Philippine driver's license WITHIN and BEYOND the period of ninety (90) days upon arrival in the country subject to licensing rules and requirements set forth by the Land Transportation Office (LTO).

For more information, kindly communicate with:

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International Driver's License

The Philippines is a member country of the Vienna Conventions that recognizes the International Driver's License.

A foreign national may use the license in the Philippines within its validity period.

The Land Transportation Office recommends a holder of international driving permit to have his local driver's license at hand and ready to be presented in case an apprehending officer request for it. However, if the local driver's license is in another language other than English, it is advisable to have this translated with the official stamp from the Embassy.

Automobile Association of the Philippines (AAP) is the private company that provide information for the issuance of International Driving Permit.

For more clarifications, kindly contact:

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