



## Buying a car in another EU Member State, Norway or Iceland.

### Where can you obtain transit plates and how much do they cost?

When shopping for a new car, you may be interested in looking at available options in other member states for a better deal. Importing the car to your home country however involves several administrative and logistic stages. For more information, you should contact the competent authority in your home country.

The use of **transit plates** is one of the options available to export a car. Transit plates are temporary number plates that will enable you to drive the car to your home country.

You have to obtain transit plates in the country where you bought the vehicle. But where can you obtain transit plates? How much do they cost? How long does the application procedure take? The ECC-Net has gathered this information in the overview below. The seller of the vehicle may also be in a position to offer advise

#### Austria

##### Competent authority

Zulassungsstelle

([multiple registration offices all over the country](#))

**Price:** € 178.70

**Qualifying period:** issued immediately

**Validity:** 3-21 days

#### Belgium

##### Competent authority

[DIV](#)

City Atrium

Vooruitgangstraat 60

1210 Brussel

Tel: +32 2 277 30 50

[help.div@mobiliteit.fgov.be](mailto:help.div@mobiliteit.fgov.be)

**Price:** € 30

**Qualifying period:** issued immediately

**Validity:** minimum 2 weeks and up to 3 months

(up to 6 months for Belgian citizens residing in another EU-Member State)

#### Bulgaria

##### Competent authority

[Regional Office of Traffic Police](#)

[Directorate](#) (in collaboration with the [Ministry of the Interior](#))

Tel: +359 2 9824901 (Regional office)

Tel: +359 2 9825000 (Ministry of the Interior)

**Price:** 40 BGN (+/- € 78)

**Qualifying period:** issued immediately

**Validity:** 30 days

#### Croatia

##### Competent authority

[Ministry of the Interior](#)

Ulica grada Vukovara 33

10 000 Zagreb

Tel: + 385 1 6122 111

[pitanja@mup.hr](mailto:pitanja@mup.hr), [policija@mup.hr](mailto:policija@mup.hr)

**Price:**

188 kuna (+/- € 25)

+ 1000 kuna (+/- € 130) deposit,

refundable after restitution of the plates

**Qualifying period:** issued immediately

**Validity:** 30 days maximum

## Cyprus

Transit plates are not available in Cyprus

## Czech Republic

### Competent authority

District Municipality Authorities

**Price:** 800 CZEK (+/- € 32)

**Qualifying period:** issued immediately

**Validity:** 3 months maximum

## Denmark

### Competent authority

[SKAT](#)

Tel: +45 72 22 18 18

**Price:** +/- € 14/day

**Qualifying period:** information not available

**Validity:** 7 days maximum

## Estonia

### Competent authority

[Maanteeamet](#)

Pärnu mnt 463a

10916 Tallinn

[info@mnt.ee](mailto:info@mnt.ee)

**Price:** € 57,52

**Qualifying period:** issued immediately

**Validity:** 30 days

## Finland

### Competent authority

[Trafi](#)

Kumpulantie 9

00520 Helsinki

Tel: +358 29 534 5000

Fax: +358 29 534 5095

[kirjaamo@trafi.fi](mailto:kirjaamo@trafi.fi)

**Price:**

€ 50 export registration certificate

+ € 9 per plate

**Qualifying period:** up to 6/7 days

**Validity:**

- 1 year if the vehicle has not been registered previously
- 1 day up to 30 days if the vehicle has been registered previously, depending on the destination country

## France

Transit plates are not available in France.

The sellers' plates may be used provided all documents and proof of purchase can be submitted.

## Germany

### Competent authority

[Kfz-Zulassungsstellen](#)

**Price:**

€ 30-35 for the registration

+ € 10-15 for the plates, depending on the registration period

**Qualifying period:** issued immediately

**Validity:** 14 days up to 1 year

**Remark:** Transit plates with a red band (Ausfuhrkennzeichen) only are allowed

## Greece

Information not available.

## Hungary

### Competent authority

[Document Office](#)

Balázs Béla utca 35

1094 Budapest

**Price:**

5.500 HUF (+/- € 18 for 1 plate

13.000 HUF (+/- € 43) for 2 plates

**Qualifying period:** issued immediately

**Validity:** 30 days

## Iceland

Transit plates are not available in Iceland  
The sellers' plates may be used provided all documents and proof of purchase can be submitted.

## Italy

### Competent authority

[Direzione Generale per la Motorizzazione](#)

via Caracci 36  
00157 Roma (RM)  
Tel: +39 06 4158.6236-6296-6297  
Fax: +39 06 4158.6203  
[dgmot.segr@mit.gov.it](mailto:dgmot.segr@mit.gov.it)

### Price:

€ 23,62 (€ 28,12 for urgent issue)

**Qualifying period:** Issued promptly, varies depending on the office

**Validity:** 60 days maximum, depending on the destination country

## Ireland

### Competent authority

[The Automobile Association of Ireland](#)  
Unit 6 Carriglea Industrial Estate  
Naas Road  
Dublin 12

**Price:** € 10

**Qualifying period:** 10 days maximum

**Validity:** 1 month maximum

## Latvia

### Competent authority

[CSDD](#) (Road Traffic Safety Directorate)  
Miera iela 25  
Rīga, Latvija, LV – 1001  
Tel: +371 67025777  
[office@csdd.gov.lv](mailto:office@csdd.gov.lv)

### Price:

Cars: € 35,91

Moped, motorcycle and trailers: € 22,81

**Qualifying period:** 1 hour in Riga, up to 30 days elsewhere

**Validity:** 30 days (a 5 day extension is possible)

## Lithuania

### Competent authority

[REGITRA](#)

Liepkalnio street 97  
02121 Vilnius

### Price:

39 LTL (+/- € 11,30)

+ 21 LTL (+/- € 6,08) technical inspection cost for vehicles registered before 2006

**Qualifying period:** issued immediately

**Validity:** 90 days

## Luxembourg

### Competent authority

[Société Nationale de Contrôle Technique](#) (SNCT)

Tel: + 352 35 72 14 - 1

Fax: + 352 35 72 14 - 210

[info@snct.lu](mailto:info@snct.lu)

### Price:

€ 172 (including a € 100 deposit, refundable after restitution of the plates)

**Qualifying period:** issued immediately

**Validity:** 3 months (current month + 2 months)

## Malta

Transit plates are not available in Malta  
The sellers' plates may be used provided all documents and proof of purchase can be submitted.

## The Netherlands

### Competent authority

[Rijksdienst voor Wegverkeer](#) (RDW)

Tel: +31 598 39 33 30

**Price:** € 11,55

**Qualifying period:** issued immediately

**Validity:** 14 days

## Norway

### Competent authority

#### [TOLL Customs](#)

Schweigaards gate 15

0191 Oslo

**Price:** 250 NOK (+/- € 30)/day

**Qualifying period:** 1 day

**Validity:** 3 weeks

## Poland

Information not available

## Portugal

### Competent authority

#### [Instituto da Mobilidade e dos Transportes Terrestres \(IMTT\)](#)

**Price:** € 20 for the plates+

- € 45: with certificate of conformity or national authorisation
- € 165: without certificate of conformity or national authorisation

**Qualifying period:** 3-6 days

**Validity:** depends on the insurance policy

## Romania

### Competent authority

#### [Direcția Regim Permise de Conducere și Înmatriculare a Vehiculelor](#)

#### **Price:**

40 Lei (€ 19) for the plates

+ 21 Lei (€ 11) for the temporary circulation authorisation

**Qualifying period:** 20 days maximum

**Validity:** 30 days

## Slovakia

### Competent authority

#### [Okresný Dopravný Inšpektorát](#)

(District Traffic Inspectorate)

**Price:** € 33 per plate

**Qualifying period:** issued immediately

**Validity:** limited to the time needed for export, not exceeding 1 year

## Slovenia

Information not available.

## Spain

### Competent authority

#### [Dirección General de Tráfico \(DGT\)](#)

C. Josefa Valcarcel 28

28071 Madrid

**Price:** € 19,20

**Qualifying period:** issued immediately

**Validity:** 2 months

## Sweden

### Competent authority

#### [Swedish Transport Agency](#)

Olai Kyrkogata 35

601 73 Norrköping

Tel: + 46 771 503 503

[kontakt@transportstyrelsen.se](mailto:kontakt@transportstyrelsen.se)

**Price:** 450 SEK (+/- € 51)

**Qualifying period:** 1-2 weeks

**Validity:** 3, 6 or 12 months

## United Kingdom

Transit plates are not available in the United Kingdom