



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

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, 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

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

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

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

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

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

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