

Red classic car license plate

For vehicles that were first registered for traffic 30 years ago or earlier, a red classic car license plate can be applied for. The date of the first registration is always decisive.

The number of the license plate begins with "07".

Competent Department

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Basic information

Vehicles that were first registered for traffic at least 30 years ago are considered "historic". The date of the first registration is decisive.

The license plate may only be used in the following cases:

- Participation in events that serve the presentation of vintage vehicles and the "cultivation of motor vehicle cultural assets," as well as for travel to and from such events.
- test drives, test drives and transfer drives
- Journeys for the maintenance and repair of classic cars

Requirements

- first registered at least 30 years ago
- appraisal by an officially recognized expert from a technical inspection agency or a test engineer from an officially recognized inspection organization
- as far as possible in original condition and good state of preservation of the vehicle
- no outstanding fees and expenses from previous registration processes.
In the case of payment arrears, the registration authority may not register the vehicle until these have been settled.
- No motor vehicle tax arrears (including ancillary tax payments, e.g. interest, late fees).
Motor vehicle tax accounts are verified by the registration authority as part of the processing of the registration application. In the event of tax arrears, the registration authority may not register the vehicle until these have been settled.
- Written direct debit authorization for the collection of the motor vehicle tax

What documents do I need?

- Valid identity card, passport or electronic residence permit (eAT) as well as the original national passport of the vehicle owner applying for the permit

- Certificate of good conduct of document type O

for submission to a public authority

- in case of representation with written power of attorney

additionally: identity card or passport of the authorised representative

- Expert opinion according to § 23 StVZO

Expert opinion for the classification of a vehicle as a classic car

- Registration certificate part I or vehicle registration document
- Registration certificate part II or old vehicle registration document
- License plates

for registered vehicles

- electronic insurance confirmation (eVB)
- Direct debit authorisation for motor vehicle tax (SEPA Direct Debit Mandate)
- for vehicles withdrawn from service before 1 October 2005: certificate of immobilisation instead of vehicle registration document
- Vehicles for which no type approval is available

additionally:

- full expert opinion according to § 21 StVZO

- valid test report on a general inspection

e.g. TÜV, DEKRA, GTÜ, KÜS, GTS, FSP

- if registered to companies

additionally:

- Current and valid business registration and, if available, current and valid excerpt from the commercial register (also as a copy)

- Power of attorney, if the person authorized to dispose does not personally submit the application on site

Procedure

- An informal application is usually sufficient for the allocation of a red classic car license plate. You can submit this in writing or deliver it in person to the registration authority. You can also authorize a representative to submit the application with your written power of attorney.
- The registration authority will issue a vehicle registration booklet after the applicant's reliability check has been completed (approx. 2 - 4 weeks).
- The insurance company is automatically informed by the registration authority about the allocation of the license plate.

Tip:

License plates can be produced during the registration process. Private providers have set up near the registration authorities for this purpose. The cost of the plates is not included in the fees. The license plates are stamped by the registration authority, i.e. provided with stickers for the general inspection and the registration district.

Legal bases

- [§ 13 Kraftfahrzeugsteuergesetz \(KraftStG\)](#)
- [§ 23 Straßenverkehrs-Zulassungs-Ordnung \(StVZO\)](#)
- [Gebührenordnung für Maßnahmen im Straßenverkehr \(GebOSt\)](#)
- [§ 43 Fahrzeug-Zulassungsverordnung \(FZV\)](#)

More information

- The red classic car license plate is an alternative to the classic car license plate with the nominal letter "H" at the end.
- An amendment to the Vehicle Tax Act came into force on July 1, 2010. The following changes apply to registrations as of July 1, 2010:
 - When registering a vehicle, a SEPA direct debit mandate is required to collect the vehicle tax. A SEPA direct debit mandate issued for the first taxation is also valid for subsequent years.
- Vehicle tax exemption or reduction as a result of severe disability:
Severely disabled persons with the mark "H", "BI" or "aG" in their severely disabled ID card continue to be exempt from vehicle tax. Based on the proof in their ID card, they do not have to submit a direct debit authorization.
Further information is available from the main customs office in Bremen.
- Electronic confirmation of insurance (eVB):
You can obtain the confirmation of insurance regarding the motor vehicle liability insurance from the insurance company of your choice. In most cases, you can request the insurance confirmation from your insurance company by telephone.

Since March 1, 2008, the insurer can give you an insurance confirmation with a 7-digit alphanumeric VB number, which the registration authority uses to retrieve the insurance data electronically from the central database of the German Insurance Association.

What are the costs?

from 26.30 Euro to 207.60 Euro, depending on expenditure