

Apply for export marks

If you want to export a vehicle that has not yet been registered or a vehicle that has been registered in the Federal Republic of Germany - and possibly decommissioned - to a foreign country, you will need an export license plate.

Competent Department

- [BürgerServiceCenter-Stresemannstraße](#)
- [BürgerServiceCenter-Nord](#)
- [Bürgeramt](#)

Basic information

The license plate is issued if the vehicle is to be driven abroad under its own power

Requirements

- There must be no arrears of fees and expenses from previous registration processes. In the event of arrears, the registration authority may not register the vehicle until these have been settled.
- Written direct debit authorization for the collection of 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 applicant vehicle owner
- in case of representation with written power of attorney
 - Additionally: identity card or passport of the authorized person
- Insurance certificate for export license plates
- Registration certificate part I or vehicle registration document
- License plates

for registered vehicles

- valid test report on a general inspection

e.g. TÜV, DEKRA, GTÜ, KÜS, GTS, FSP

- for vehicles put out of service

additionally

- old vehicle documents and a deregistration certificate issued before 1 October 2005

or

- registration certificate part I and II

- Direct debit authorisation for motor vehicle tax (SEPA Direct Debit Mandate)
- external licence plates

in the case of registered vehicles which are not registered in Bremen or Bremerhaven at the time of their registration there

- 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

- Registration certificate part II (formerly: vehicle registration document)

If the ZB II is in the possession of a third party (e.g. leasing bank), you must arrange for it to be sent to the licensing authority. You can find more information on this in the service description under "Further information".

Procedure

- An application for registration must be submitted to the registration authority. The application can also be submitted by a representative (e.g. car dealer) with a written power of attorney.
- The vehicle must be presented for an identity check.
- If the vehicle was previously registered, the license plates will be cancelled. The export license plate is then issued for the duration of the liability insurance, but for no longer than one year.
- The vehicle must have valid proof of a general inspection (HU) for the registration period (i.e. until the end date of the export license plate). If the due date of the main inspection is before the end of the export period, you must submit an inspection report from an officially recognized inspection organization regarding the new main inspection.
- Applications are generally submitted at the main place of residence. For applicants without a place of residence in Germany, the application must be submitted to the vehicle registration office responsible for the location of the vehicle.

Note:

Since July 1, 2010, export license plates have been subject to vehicle tax. Vehicle tax must be paid upon registration for the duration of the validity of the export license plate.

The minimum taxation period is one month.

Tip:

The license plates can be produced during registration. Private providers have set up near the registration authorities for this purpose. The costs for the plates are not included in the fees. The license plates are stamped by the registration authority, i.e. they are provided with stickers.

Legal bases

- [§ 6a Abs. 8 Straßenverkehrsgesetz \(StVG\) iVm § 1 Gesetz zur Beitreibung von Gebühren- und Auslagenrückständen bei der Zulassung von Fahrzeugen im Land Bremen \(Beitreibungserleichterungsgesetz Kfz-Zulassung – BEG HB\)](#)
- [Gebührenordnung für Maßnahmen im Straßenverkehr \(GebOST\)](#)
- [§ 45 Fahrzeug-Zulassungsverordnung \(FZV\)](#)

More information

- If the ZB II is in the possession of a third party (e.g. leasing bank), it must be sent to the licensing authority. The change can only be made once the document has been received by the authority. As a rule, the ZB II is available at the licensing authority 2 to 3 weeks after it is requested. After completion, it is returned to the sender. The costs for storage and return are usually borne by the holder.
- An international registration certificate can also be issued on request (EUR 10.50).
- As part of EU harmonization, additional fees of up to EUR 8.70 are due for replacing the old vehicle registration certificate with the registration certificate part II.
- Since July 1, 2010, export license plates have been subject to vehicle tax. Vehicle tax must be paid upon registration for the duration of the validity of the export license plate (SEPA direct debit mandate). The minimum tax period is one month.
- Paragraphs 3 and 4 of the Vehicle Registration Ordinance (FZV) regulate which vehicles are subject to registration.
- Vehicle tax exemption or reduction due to severe disability:
Severely disabled people with the "H", "BI" or "aG" mark on their severely disabled person's pass continue to be exempt from vehicle tax. They do not have to submit a direct debit authorization based on the proof in their ID card. Further information can be obtained from the main customs office in Bremen.
- Electronic insurance confirmation (eVB):
You can obtain the confirmation of insurance for motor vehicle liability insurance from the insurance company of your choice. In most cases, you can request the insurance confirmation by telephone from your insurance company.
Since March 1, 2008, the insurer can provide you with 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?

36,70 EUR The fee is increased by 15.30 if the data cannot be retrieved from the Kraftfahrt-Bundesamt and the data is not available in the local vehicle register.

Additional fees may apply in individual cases.