



Driving Licences for Foreign Players

1. For European players and players from designated countries (see link below but which includes Australia and New Zealand), the player is entitled to drive on his existing driving licence for 12 months and may request a British driving licence within 5 years. However, before the first 12 months of the 5 year period has elapsed, he must have obtained a British licence or stop driving until he does so.

www.direct.gov.uk/en/Motoring/DriverLicensing/DrivingInGbOnAForeignLicence/DG_4022562

2. For non-European players and for players from countries which are not designated (see link below but which includes Tonga, Samoa and Fiji) a player can drive for a period of 12 months on his existing licence but, before a period of 12 months has elapsed, he must have applied for a provisional British licence and have passed a British driving test.

http://www.direct.gov.uk/en/Motoring/DriverLicensing/DrivingInGbOnAForeignLicence/DG_4022559

Failure to meet these requirements means driving a motor vehicle is a criminal offence. Driving Licence Application Forms (D1) can be picked up from your local Post Office or talk to your PDM for more advice.

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