

AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA
AND
THE GOVERNMENT OF MONGOLIA
ON DRIVING BY SHORT-TERM VISITORS AND
ON THE MUTUAL RECOGNITION AND EXCHANGE OF
DRIVING LICENSES

The Government of the Republic of Korea and the Government of Mongolia (hereinafter referred to individually as a “Contracting Party” and jointly as the “Contracting Parties”),

Recalling the Strategic Partnership between the Contracting Parties, established in 2021,

Recognizing the importance of promoting and facilitating people-to-people exchanges as a core pillar of the bilateral relationship,

Desiring to strengthen mutual relations and deepen cooperation in the field of road traffic, including road traffic safety, for the common benefit of the nationals of both countries, and

For the purpose of effectively facilitating road traffic within their respective territories, mutually accepting the driving by short-term visitors from one Contracting Party in the territory of the other Contracting Party with international driving permits, and ensuring the mutual recognition and exchange of domestic driving licenses issued by the competent authorities of the Contracting Parties,

Have agreed as follows:

Article 1

Purpose

The purpose of this Agreement is to establish a framework for the driving by short-term visitors from one Contracting Party in the territory of the other Contracting Party with international driving permits and for the mutual recognition and exchange of domestic driving licenses issued by the competent authorities of the Contracting Parties for persons who stay in the territory of the other Contracting Party for more than one (1) year.

Article 2

Driving by Short-Term Visitors in the Territory of the Other Contracting Party

1. Each Contracting Party shall recognize international driving permits issued by the competent authority of the other Contracting Party to allow holders of such permits to drive motor vehicles as follows:

(a) in Mongolia, nationals of the Republic of Korea who hold an international driving permit issued by the competent authority of the Government of the Republic of Korea shall be permitted to drive motor vehicles according to the category corresponding to such international driving permit as specified in Annex B; and

(b) in the Republic of Korea, nationals of Mongolia who hold an international driving permit issued by the competent authority of the Government of Mongolia shall be permitted to drive motor vehicles according to the category corresponding to such international driving permit as specified in Annex A.

2. The types of motor vehicles that may be driven shall be limited to those specified in international driving permits.

3. The nationals of one Contracting Party holding international driving permits shall be allowed to drive in the territory of the other Contracting Party for a period of up to one (1) year from the date of entering that territory, provided that such international driving permit shall, when requested by the competent authority of that other Contracting Party, be presented, together

with a passport.

Article 3

Exchange of Domestic Driving Licenses

1. The Contracting Parties shall, for the purpose of facilitating exchange of domestic driving licenses, mutually recognize valid domestic driving licenses issued by the competent authorities of the other Contracting Party. Domestic driving licenses shall be exchanged in accordance with the Table of Equivalence specified in Annex C of this Agreement.

2. In accordance with the provisions of this Agreement, whenever a national of one Contracting Party—who is at least eighteen (18) years of age, is lawfully staying in the territory of the other Contracting Party for more than one (1) year, and holds a valid domestic driving license (excluding holders of temporary or learner's permits)—wishes to drive a motor vehicle in the territory of that other Contracting Party, the competent authorities of that other Contracting Party shall allow the exchange of the domestic driving license based on the request submitted by that national.

3. The exchange of domestic driving licenses shall be conducted without requiring the applicant to pass theoretical and practical driving tests related to the ability to drive a motor vehicle, provided that the applicant shall pay all required fees and pass a physical examination under the relevant laws and regulations of the Contracting Party where the exchange takes place.

4. This Agreement shall apply only to domestic driving licenses originally issued by the competent authorities of the Contracting Parties and shall not apply to domestic driving licenses obtained by exchanging a license issued by a third country.

5. Paragraph 3 of this Article shall not affect the domestic laws and regulations of each Contracting Party concerning driving restrictions based on age, health conditions, or mental state.

Article 4
Exchange Procedures

1. For the purpose of examination by the competent authority of the Contracting Party performing the exchange, an applicant from the other Contracting Party shall submit the original domestic driving license issued by the competent authority of that other Contracting Party, accompanied by a certified translation in the official language of the requested Contracting Party or in English.

2. The competent authority of a Contracting Party carrying out an exchange of domestic driving licenses may require the submission of any further documents in accordance with the applicable domestic laws and regulations, including an Apostille issued by the relevant authority of the other Contracting Party within one (1) year prior to the application for exchange, in accordance with the Convention Abolishing the Requirement of Legalisation for Foreign Public Documents done on 5 October 1961.

3. In the implementation of this Agreement, the competent authorities of the Contracting Parties may apply their respective domestic laws and regulations concerning driver registration and administrative procedures.

Article 5
Verification of Licenses

1. In case of doubt as to the validity and/or authenticity of a domestic driving license submitted for exchange, the competent authority performing the exchange may request the competent authority of the other Contracting Party, in writing, to verify the validity and/or authenticity of the domestic driving license in question.

2. Requests transmitted by facsimile, email, or other electronic means shall be deemed to have been submitted in writing.

3. The competent authority of the requested Contracting Party shall inform the competent authority of the requesting Contracting Party of the validity and/or authenticity of that domestic driving license without undue delay.

4. Where necessary for verification, the competent authority of the requested Contracting Party may require supplementary information from the competent authority of the requesting Contracting Party.

Article 6

Competent Authorities

1. For the purposes of this Agreement, the Contracting Parties shall designate their respective competent authorities as follows:

(a) for the Government of Mongolia, the National Police Agency under the Ministry of Justice and Home Affairs of Mongolia; and

(b) for the Government of the Republic of Korea, the Korean National Police Agency.

2. Prior to the entry into force of this Agreement, the Contracting Parties shall provide each other through diplomatic channels, with the following:

(a) the full names, addresses, telephone and facsimile numbers, and email addresses of their competent authorities; and

(b) specimens of their international driving permits and domestic driving licenses to which this Agreement applies, accompanied by certified translations of such domestic driving licenses in the official language of the other Contracting Party and in English.

3. The Contracting Parties shall promptly inform each other through diplomatic channels of any changes to their driving licenses (for example, changes to the specimens thereof), any changes or amendments to domestic laws and regulations that may affect the implementation

of this Agreement, and any changes to the contact information of their competent authorities.

Article 7
Communications

Communications between the competent authorities of the Contracting Parties and communications between the Contracting Parties through diplomatic channels under this Agreement shall be conducted in writing and accompanied by the translations in the official language of the other Contracting Party or in English.

Article 8
Relationship with Other Agreements

This Agreement shall not affect the rights and obligations of the Contracting Parties arising from other international agreements to which either Contracting Party is a party.

Article 9
Consultations

Any differences arising from the interpretation or implementation of this Agreement shall be resolved through consultations between the competent authorities of the Contracting Parties. In the event that such differences cannot be resolved by the competent authorities, they shall be settled through diplomatic channels.

Article 10
Final Provisions

1. This Agreement shall enter into force on the first day of the sixth month following the date of receipt of the later written notification through diplomatic channels by which the Contracting Parties notify each other that their respective internal legal procedures necessary for the entry into force of this Agreement have been completed.

2. This Agreement shall be in force for an indefinite period. Either Contracting Party may terminate this Agreement by giving written notice through diplomatic channels. This Agreement shall terminate on the ninetieth (90th) day after the date on which the other Contracting Party receives such notification of termination.

3. This Agreement may be amended or supplemented by mutual agreement between the Contracting Parties. Such changes shall be formalized by protocols entering into force in accordance with the procedure prescribed in Paragraph 1 of this Article and shall form an integral part of this Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, being duly authorized by their respective governments, have signed this Agreement.

DONE in duplicate at [Place], on this [Day] day of [Month], 20__, in the Korean, Mongolian, and English languages, all texts being equally authentic. In case of any divergence of interpretation, the English text shall prevail.

FOR THE GOVERNMENT
OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA

FOR THE GOVERNMENT
OF MONGOLIA

Annex A

Categories of Vehicles in International Driving Permits Issued by the Government of Mongolia

Category	Category of Vehicles
A	Motorcycles (two-wheeled mechanized vehicles with a cylinder capacity exceeding 50cc for internal combustion engines or a rated power exceeding 4kW for electric motors, and a design maximum speed exceeding 50km/h, including mopeds), Age 18 and over
B	Motor vehicles with a seating capacity of not more than 8 persons excluding the driver's seat, and a maximum permissible weight not exceeding 3,500kg (including a coupled trailer with a maximum weight not exceeding 750kg), Age 18 and over
C1	Vehicles of Category C with a maximum permissible weight not exceeding 7,500kg (including a coupled trailer with a maximum weight not exceeding 750kg), Age 18 and over
C	All motor vehicles with a maximum permissible weight exceeding 3,500kg (excluding Category D), allowed to couple with a trailer with a maximum weight not exceeding 750kg, Age 18 and over
D1	Vehicles of Category D with a maximum passenger seating capacity of not more than 16 persons excluding the driver's seat, allowed to couple a trailer with a maximum weight not exceeding 750kg, Age 21 and over
D	Motor vehicles for the carriage of passengers with more than 8 seats excluding the driver's seat, allowed to couple with a trailer with a maximum weight not exceeding 750kg, Age 21 and over
BE	Category B vehicles coupled with a trailer having a maximum permissible weight exceeding 750kg, Age 18 and over
C1E	Category C1 vehicles coupled with a trailer having a maximum permissible weight exceeding 750kg, Age 18 and over
CE	Category C vehicles coupled with a trailer having a maximum permissible weight exceeding 750kg, Age 18 and over
D1E	Category D1 vehicles coupled with a trailer having a maximum permissible weight exceeding 750kg, Age 18 and over
DE	Category D vehicles coupled with a trailer having a maximum permissible weight exceeding 750kg, including buses and trolleybuses, Age 18 and over

Annex B

Categories of Vehicles in International Driving Permits Issued by the Government of the Republic of Korea

Category	Category of Vehicles
A	Motor cycles, with or without a side-car, invalid carriages and three-wheeled motor vehicles with an unladen weight not exceeding 400 kg.(900 lbs.).
B	Motor vehicles used for the transport of passengers and comprising, in addition to the driver's seat, at most eight seats, or those used for the transport of goods and having a permissible maximum weight not exceeding 3,500 kg.(7,700 lbs.). Vehicles in this category may be coupled with a light trailer.
C	Motor vehicles used for the transport of goods and of which the permissible maximum weight exceeds 3,500 kg.(7,700 lbs.). Vehicles in this category may be coupled with a light trailer.
D	Motor vehicles used for the transport of passengers comprising, in addition to the driver's seat, more than eight seats. Vehicles in this category may be coupled with a light trailer.
E	Motor vehicles of categories B, C or D, as authorized above, with other than a light trailer.

Annex C

Table of Equivalence

1. Mutual Exchange of Mongolian Driving Licenses for Republic of Korea Driving Licenses

Republic of Korea Driving License			Mongolian Driving License
Class 1	Large vehicle driving license		B, C1, D1
	Ordinary license		
	Special license	Large vehicle trailer	
		Small vehicle trailer	
Emergency vehicle			
Class 2	Ordinary		

2. Mutual Exchange of Republic of Korea Driving Licenses for Mongolian Driving Licenses

Mongolian Driving License	Republic of Korea Driving License
Category B	Class 2 (Ordinary)
Category C1	
Category C	
Category D1	
Category D	
Category BE	
Category C1E	
Category CE	
Category D1E	
Category DE	