Test

Article 3 of the Directive provides that Member States shall choose between two options: (1) the option combining both course attendance and test and (2) the option involving only tests.

FAQ

Nature of initial qualification examinations that must be taken in a country by persons holding a driving licence issued by another country, when these countries have opted for different options: in countries such as the UK and the Netherlands which have redesigned their driving licence tests, so that they are recognised as part of the exams for the CPC initial qualification, which exams should a resident take when he holds a driving licence issued by another Member State?

- the complete set (because the driving licence tests he passed may not cover the same syllabus) or
- just the top-up items (because he already holds a full driving licence and there must be equality of treatment with the holder of a domestic licence)?

The driver may be allowed to take a test only covering the top-up items, subject to the agreement of the national authorities.

Nature of initial qualification examinations that must be taken by persons having completed option 1 (training but no test) and then wishing to gain CPC certification by taking the test in an option 2 country: does the applicant need to take the full CPC driving test, or does he just need to take the normal licence test, in order to gain CPC certification?

He may be allowed to take just the normal licence test, subject to the agreement of the national authorities.

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