

Annexure D: South African Driver Licence Codes

Table 1: Driver Licence Codes

Code	Class of Motor Vehicle	Authorisation
A1	<p>A motor cycle without side-car which has an engine with a cylinder capacity not exceeding 125 cubic centimetres, or which is propelled by electrical power, or a vehicle having pedals and an engine or an electric motor as an integral part thereof or attached thereto and which is designed or adapted to be propelled by means of such pedals, engine or motor, or both such pedals and engine or motor, but does not include:</p> <p>(i) any vehicle propelled by electrical power derived from storage batteries and which is pedestrian controlled; or</p> <p>(ii) any vehicle with a tare not exceeding 230 kilograms and specially designed and constructed, and not merely adapted, for the use of any person suffering from some physical defect or disability or a person of old age and used solely by such person.</p>	<p>Includes authorization to drive:</p> <p>(i) a motor cycle with a side-car;</p> <p>(ii) a motor tricycle; or</p> <p>(iii) a motor quadrucycle, which has an engine with a cylinder capacity not exceeding 125 cubic centimetres.</p>
A	<p>A motor cycle without side-car which has an engine with a cylinder capacity exceeding 125 cubic centimetres.</p>	<p>Includes authorization to drive:</p> <p>(i) a motor cycle with a side-car;</p> <p>(ii) a motor tricycle;</p> <p>(iii) a motor quadrucycle; or</p> <p>(iv) any other motor vehicle for which a code A1 driver's licence is required.</p>
B	<p>A motor vehicle, being:</p> <p>(i) a motor vehicle, other than a motor cycle, motor tricycle or motor quadrucycle, the tare of which does not exceed 3 500 kilograms; or</p> <p>(ii) a mini-bus, a bus or a goods vehicle, the gross vehicle mass of which does not exceed 3 500 kilograms, with or without a trailer, the gross</p>	<p>Includes authorization to also drive:</p> <p>(i) a tractor; or</p> <p>(iv) a motor vehicle which is a type of mobile agricultural or industrial equipment or machinery not designed principally for the conveyance of persons or goods,</p>

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	vehicle mass of which does not exceed 750 kilograms, but does not include an articulated motor vehicle.	of which the tare does not exceed 3 500 kilograms.
C1	A motor vehicle, being (i) a motor vehicle, the tare of which exceeds 3 500 kilograms but does not exceed 16 000 kilograms; or (ii) a mini-bus, a bus or a goods vehicle, the gross vehicle mass of which exceeds 3 500 kilograms but does not exceed 16 000 kilograms, with or without a trailer, the gross vehicle mass of which does not exceed 750 kilograms, but does not include an articulated motor vehicle.	Includes authorization to drive: (i) a tractor; (ii) a motor vehicle which is a type of mobile agricultural or industrial equipment or machinery not designed principally for the conveyance of persons or goods, of which the tare exceeds 3 500 kilograms, but does not exceed 16 000 kilograms; (iii) any motor vehicle for which a code B driver's licence is required.
C	A motor vehicle, being: (i) a motor vehicle, the tare of which exceeds 16 000 kilograms; or (ii) a bus or a goods vehicle, the gross vehicle mass of which exceeds 16 000 kilograms, with or without a trailer, the gross vehicle mass of which does not exceed 750 kilograms, but does not include an articulated motor vehicle.	Includes authorization to drive: (i) a tractor; (ii) a motor vehicle which is a type of mobile agricultural or industrial equipment or machinery not designed principally for the conveyance of persons or goods, of which the tare exceeds 16 000 kilograms; or (iii) any motor vehicle for which a code B and C1 driver's licence is required.
EB	A motor vehicle, being: (i) an articulated motor vehicle, of which the gross combination mass of the truck-tractor does not exceed 3 500 kilograms; or (ii) a combination of a motor vehicle and trailer, of which the gross vehicle mass of the trailer exceeds 750 kilograms, but the gross combination mass of the drawing vehicle does not exceed 3 500 kilograms.	Includes authorization to drive any motor vehicle for which a code B driver's licence is required.

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EC1	<p>A motor vehicle, being:</p> <p>(i) an articulated motor vehicle, of which the gross combination mass of the truck-tractor exceeds 3 500 kilograms but does not exceed 16 000 kilograms; or</p> <p>(ii) a combination of a motor vehicle and trailer, the gross vehicle mass of the trailer of which exceeds 750 kilograms, but the gross combination mass of the drawing vehicle exceeds 3 500 kilograms but does not exceed 16 000 kilograms.</p>	<p>Includes authorization to drive any other motor vehicle for which a code B, C1 and EB driver's licence is required.</p>
EC	<p>A motor vehicle, being:</p> <p>(i) an articulated motor vehicle of which the gross combination mass of the truck-tractor exceeds 16 000 kilograms;</p> <p>(ii) a combination of a motor vehicle and trailer, of which the gross vehicle mass of the trailer of which exceeds 750 kilograms, and the gross combination mass of the drawing vehicle exceeds 16 000 kilograms.</p>	<p>Includes authorisation to drive any motor vehicle for which a code B, C1, C, EB1 and EC1 driver's licence is required.</p>