

New UK Driving Licence information

The new cards:

- will be issued from Feb 2014
- are fully compliant with the European Union 3rd Directive.

Holders of valid cards:

- do not need to replace their current card.
- to receive the new style card upon renewal of their current card or if they need to replace their current card for any reason.

Driving Licence Card - front of card



Holographic feature

This feature contains a steering wheel, road and speedometer, in which the needle appears to move when the card is held along the short edges and tilted back and forth.

Raised lettering

Surname, category entitlement and date in the bottom left hand corner of the photo will contain raised lettering. This can be felt when a finger is run across the card and can be seen when viewed at an angle

Raised surface pattern

Raised tactile pattern and text positioned horizontally across the centre of the card and EU flag. It can be felt when a finger is run across the card and can be seen when viewed at an angle.

Optical Variable Ink (OVI) Feature

The wheel image illustrated on the right hand side of the card is produced with colour changing ink. The achieved effect is that the ink changes from green to gold when tilted on either axis.

Driving Licence Card - back of card



Changing images

Within the egg shaped lens in the lower left corner of the card, two different images will be seen when viewed at different angles. The images are of the card holder changing to the month and year of card expiry (e.g. MAR18).

Raised surface pattern

Raised tactile pattern positioned horizontally across the centre of the card.

Unique number (*bottom right hand corner*)

This number is a 10 digit alphanumeric character set and is unique to every card.

Raised Lettering

The number identifier for each field will be raised. This can be felt when a finger is run across the card and can be seen when viewed at an angle.