

Driving License in Jharkhand

Driving a motor vehicle in Jharkhand without a valid driving license can attract a hefty penalty or even land you in jail as the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 makes it mandatory for a vehicle owner to possess a valid DL. The MVA, 1988 states that no person should drive a motor vehicle in India without a DL. In Jharkhand, the authorization of the driving license is carried out by the Regional Transport Authority that provides various transport related services. Holding a driving license permits an individual to legally drive his motor vehicle in any public places in India. If you are looking to apply for a driving license in Jharkhand, then here's how you can do so. Read all about driving license application process in Jharkhand and also know about the issuance of International DL, duplicate DL and renewal of DL in the state.

Driving License in Jharkhand

Driving license in Jharkhand is issued on the basis of the type of vehicle an individual wants to drive. In Jharkhand too, an individual can avail a DL on the basis of the below- driving license categories.

- **Driving license issued for a motorcycle without gear:** This type of driving license is issued for letting an individual drive gearless motorcycle such as mopeds and scooters.
- **Driving license issued for a light motor vehicle:** This type of driving license is issued for light motor vehicle such as a car, bike, etc. with gear.
- **Driving license issued for a transport vehicle:** This type of driving license is issued to individuals who wish to drive heavy motor vehicles such as a trailer, lorry, truck, etc.

Eligibility Criteria for Driving License in Jharkhand

In Jharkhand, an applicant should meet the below eligibility requirements:

- To apply for a motor vehicle with an engine capacity upto 50cc, the applicant should have attained the age of 16 years. The applicant is also required to obtain written consent from his parent or guardian.
- To apply for a permanent driving license, the applicant should be above the age of 18 years.
- To apply for a commercial driving license, the applicant should be above the age of 20 years.
- The applicant should possess a valid learner's license.

- One should apply for a driving license after 30 days or within 180 days from the date of availing a driving license.
- The applicant should be well-versed with traffic rules and regulations.

Documents Required for Driving License in Jharkhand

An applicant applying for driving license in Jharkhand will have to submit the below documents:

- Valid learner's license
- Application Form 4 i.e. application form for availing a driving license
- Application fees of Rs. 500/ 800
- Proof of age
- One recent passport size photograph
- Form 5 i.e. application form for availing a commercial license
- Age and address proof documents such as birth certificate, passport, LIC policy bond, educational certificate, Aadhar card, etc.

How to Obtain Driving License in Jharkhand?

Obtaining a driving license in Jharkhand is an easy process as one can now easily apply for a DL online.

To apply for a driving license online in Jharkhand, an applicant will have to follow the below process:

- Download the form from Jharkhand Motor Vehicles Department website- jhtransport.gov.in/forms.html. The applicant will then have to fill the form and submit to the RTO along with the relevant documents.
- The applicant can also apply for a DL in Jharkhand through Ministry of Road Transport and Highways website, parivahan.gov.in/parivahan. If applying through this website, the applicant will have to do the following:
 - Click on online services and select driving license related services
 - Select name of the state-Jharkhand
 - Click on apply online and select new driving license.
 - Fill the applicant details and upload documents.
 - Upload your photograph and signature, (check if this facility is applicable for your state).
 - Take print out of all the documents and the form submitted.
 - Book a slot for your DL test (check if this facility is applicable for your state)

- Pay the application fees.
- On doing this, a web application number will be generated. If DL slot booking online facility is not applicable for your state, then you will have to visit the RTO with your original documents and book a slot for your DL test to be conducted.
- Appear for the driving license test.

To apply for a driving license offline in Jharkhand, an applicant will have to follow the below process:

- Visit the nearest RTO office.
- Collect the application form and fill it.
- Attach all the required documents and submit them along with the form to the RTO.
- Pay the application fees
- Book a slot for your DL test
- Appear for the driving license test on the given date and time.

If the applicant passes the driving test, then the driving license will be delivered to the applicant via speed post within 3 days.

How to Obtain Duplicate Driving License in Jharkhand?

In Jharkhand, a duplicate driving license is issued if the DL is lost, stolen or mutilated. An applicant can apply for a DL in Jharkhand, by following the below-mentioned steps:

First, the applicant will have to submit the below documents for availing the DL:

- LLD form i.e. the application form for obtaining a duplicate driving license
- Original driving license
- If the applicant does not have the copy of the DL, then he will have to get the license information on paper and get it signed by a clerk.
- Copy of an FIR, if the license is lost
- Application fee of Rs. 350

Procedure for obtaining a duplicate DL in Jharkhand:

- The applicant can download the application form from jhtransport.gov.in/forms.html
- The applicant can also apply for duplicate DL through parivahan.gov.in/parivahan/
- Applicant can also apply for the DL directly at the RTO office.

- After downloading the form online or applying through parivahan.gov.in, the applicant will have to visit the RTO and submit the documents.
- Once the documents are verified by the RTO official, the duplicate DL will be issued to the applicant within 3 days. The duplicate DL will be delivered to the applicant via speed post to his registered address.

How to Renew Driving License in Jharkhand?

In the state of Jharkhand, a driving license is valid for 20 years or until the age of 50, whichever is earlier. A vehicle owner is obligated to renew his driving license on expiry if he wishes to drive his vehicle freely in public areas in Jharkhand.

Documents required for renewing driving license in Jharkhand:

- Original driving license
- Form 9 i.e. the application form for renewal of DL
- Form 1 and Form 1A
- Application fee of Rs. 250

Procedure for application of renewing driving license in Jharkhand:

- An applicant can renew driving license in Jharkhand by downloading the form from jhtransport.gov.in/forms.html.
- The applicant can also apply for a renewed DL through parivahan.gov.in/parivahan/. By renewing through this website, the applicant can fill the form online, upload the documents and also pay the fees online and then take a printout of all the forms and documents submitted and visit the RTO to take the process ahead.
- The applicant can also directly visit the RTO office and collect the form, fill and submit it to the RTO office along with all the required documents.
- On verification of the form and the documents, the applicant will be issued the renewed DL via speed post within 3 days.

How to Obtain an International Driving License in Jharkhand?

An applicant can obtain an International driving license in Jharkhand easily by following the below mentioned process. An International driving license is issued to individuals who wish to drive a motor vehicle abroad. This DL is valid only for a period of 1 year from the date of issuance.

Documents required for obtaining International Driving License in Jharkhand:

- Valid passport
- Valid air ticket
- Valid driving license
- Valid visa
- Five passport size photographs
- Application fee of Rs. 500
- Form 4A i.e. application form for obtaining an IDP

Procedure for obtaining an International Driving License in Jharkhand:

- An applicant can apply for an [International driving license](https://www.jhtransport.gov.in/forms.html) in Jharkhand by obtaining the form from Jharkhand transport website-jhtransport.gov.in/forms.html
- The applicant can also fill the form, submit it and upload documents online, if he is applying through parivahan.gov.in/parivahan/
- The applicant can also apply for IDP offline directly by visiting the RTO office that issued his original driving license.
- Whether an applicant is applying online or offline, he will have to visit the RTO office with all the original documents. On verification of all the documents, the applicant will be issued the IDP on the same day.

Driving License Test Procedure in Jharkhand

A driving license test is a mandatory process that an applicant has to go through in order to obtain a driving license in the state of Jharkhand. A DL test is conducted to judge an applicant's driving license skills. The test is conducted as per the rules of Motor Vehicles Act, 1988. During the course of the test, the applicant's knowledge about the vehicle is tested and also his awareness of various traffic rules and regulations. If the applicant fails the test, then he can reappear for the test after 7 days.