

certainly need one if you plan on getting behind the wheel in Armenia. Check out our article on types of licenses, what you will need for a license and whether or not you can drive with the one you already have, [here](#).

Driving theory tests are available in Arabic, English and Farsi. Armenian and Russian have been always available. Please check the tests examples [here](#).

To obtain a national driver's license in the Republic of Armenia, it is necessary to register online (there are 1116 questions in total, of which 20 questions are in each exam list, two errors are allowed).

You need to register online by filling out an application on the [roadpolice.am](#) website, after which you will receive a message or a call about the time and place of the exam. You will receive marks for the theory exam immediately after the end of the testing phase, after which you can apply for a practical exam.

Required documents and payments:

- You will need a passport or identity card or other proof of identity and residency address.
- The cost of participation in the theory exam is 3,000 AMD.
- The cost of participation in the practical exam is 13,000 AMD (3,000 AMD from it is a state fee)
- You will also pay 12,000 AMD for a driver's license.

If you have any additional questions, please get in touch with the [Road Police](#).

PRO TIP: Through the @ROADPOLICEbot Telegram bot, you can register a car, see your traffic fines, etc.

There are numerous driving [schools](#) and centers in Armenia. Check this list on [spyur.am](#). For recommendations, please refer to the [Armenian Repatriates Network](#).



► PURCHASING A CAR

In Armenia, owning a car is still considered a luxury, but is quickly becoming a necessity. The problem with that is the narrowness of many streets, lack of parking spaces, and finding the car you want in the first place. While there are car salons offering brand new models, most people opt to buy used cars abroad and pay customs fees before driving in the country. Unfortunately a very large number of used cars are brought in as salvages from the US, through Georgia's Poti port city. Be careful when you are looking to buy a used car, and if it is originally from the US, always do a background check to ensure there are no major problems. As of 2020, a 1% tax is added to car sales in Armenia, as well as an environmental tax you will have to pay. For cars bought and sold within 365 days, taxes are subject to increase. The prices of cars are high when compared with used cars in the US and Canada, especially. New cars are not so common, but there are a few show rooms for specific brands, such as *Jeep*, *Fiat*, *Toyota*, *Lexus*, *Audi*, *Mer-cedes-Benz*, *Volkswagen*, *Chevrolet*, *Porsche*, *Opel*, *Nissan*, *Honda*, *Toyota*, *KIA Motors*.

You need local driver's license to register your new car to your name. With foreign license you can only drive.

There are two options: either to get the local driver's license (swap it with an Armenian license if you come from the country that is a part of Vienna Convention on Road Traffic or take a theory and driving exam), or register it to someone who has the local driver's license. In the latter case, the point system for driving will be applied for that very driver's license.

► SHOULD YOU BRING YOUR OWN CAR?

This is a personal preference, but if you have a car in the country that you owned for 6+ months you are moving from and you have never used the tax regime for a car before, it may be best.

