

# Road safety and driving licences

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#### Current issues regarding driving licenses

- > The driving license and road safety
- Challenges for the Netherlands
- Integral approach for novice drivers and driving under the influence
- Next steps

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#### Road safety in the Netherlands

- Joint vision: national, regional and local government together with civil society organisations
- Goal is zero casualties → 2050
- In 2021: 68.700 incidents, 17.842 injuries and 478 casualties
- By identifying risks and focusing on measures to reduce those risks





#### Goals of the driving licence system







**ROAD SAFETY** 

MAKE SURE EVERY DRIVER IS PREPARED

TEMPORARY PERMIT



#### How to obtain a licence?



Medical fitness



Lessons



Theoretical exam(s)

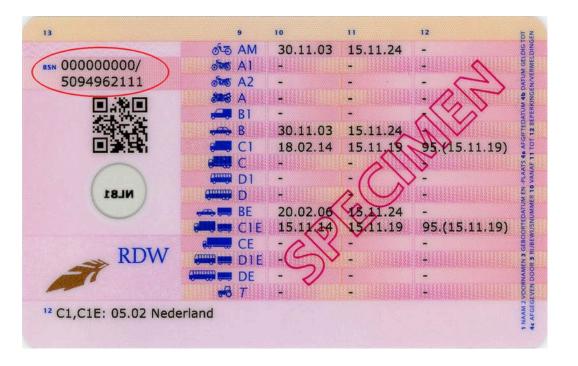


Practical exam(s)



#### European licence system

- Harmonisation towards a European system
- Some competences for member states
- > 4th driving license directive





#### Driving licence innovation and cooperation

- European cooperation to exchange information
- The driving licence as an identity card
- > Future = digital driving licence





#### Challenges for the Dutch system

- Safer roads than in the past, but new challenges arise
- > Vulnerable road users
- Novice drivers
- Driving under the influence





#### Challenge 1: novice drivers

- Certain group of young drivers who know exactly how to drive in the right circumstance but commit offences in weekend nights when driving with friends
- > Tackling this behaviour is complex
- Integral approach together with law enforcement, schools and driving trainers
- Taking measures on 4 different stages
- 1. Road safety awareness for young people during school
- 2. Improving learning to drive and the exams to make sure young people are prepared
- Lifelong learning
- 4. Law enforcement



## Challenge 2: Driving under influence

- Many accidents by people under influence of alcohol
- Drugs and medicine also form risks (less data available)
- Penalties and courses for driving under influence
- Integral approach on this topic, possible measures:
- More road side checks
- 2. Alcohol interlock
- 3. Campaigns



#### Next steps

- We want to know best practices to learn from you
- How do you come to an integral approach as shown above?
- How can we cooperate internationally on these topics?





### Thank you!

