

Government of India
Ministry of Transport & Highways

1, Parliament Street, Transport Bhawan,
New Delhi - 110 001

No. RT-11021/40/2014-MVL

Dated: 14th June, 2016.

To

The Principal Secretary (Transport)/ The Secretary (Transport)/ The
Commissioner (Transport)/ Additional Chief Secretary (Transport) of all States/
UTs.

**Subject: Procedure for guidelines for grant of driving licenses and registration
certificates to differently abled persons.**

Madam/Sir

This Ministry refers to erstwhile Ministry of Shipping, Road Transport & Highways resolution no. RT-11012/12/2001-MVL dated 23rd July, 2008 and Ministry of Road Transport & Highways letter number RT-11017/07/2011-MVL dated 5th May, 2011 regarding procedure of alteration in motor vehicles to facilitate the mobility of physically challenged person by the State Governments. (copies enclosed)

2. Ministry has been receiving a number of representations from differently abled persons, including hearing impaired citizens, highlighting the problems being faced by them due to non-availability of invalid carriages in the market as well as restrictions imposed in alteration in motor vehicles under Section 52 of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988. Keeping in mind the above mentioned resolution and circular, and in order to ensure the mobility of differently abled persons, all State Governments/UTs are requested to consider the following guidelines for issue of driving licenses/registration certificates:-

- (i) Driving licences may be issued to the differently abled citizens, so long as the altered vehicles are safe and are at no threat to the vehicle occupant and public at large. Further, the registering authority in the States may inspect the vehicle and may register the vehicle altered according to the need of the differently abled person. They are fully empowered to deal with alterations of vehicles for differently abled person as this would avoid harassment and facilitate the mobility of differently abled persons.

- (ii) With regard to issue of driving licence as per the Hon'ble Delhi High Court's Order dated 14th February, 2011, in W.P (C) 10849/2009, the National Association of the Deaf Vs UoI, it is clarified that *an applicant, is to be called for the test if he applies for a learner's licence without the medical certificate and if he passes the test as required under Rule 11, he shall be granted the learner's licence as that is the statutory requirement. Similarly, if a person belonging to the said category satisfies the necessary criteria, he shall be allowed to obtain the licence.* Such test would be conducted on the altered vehicle approved in accordance with para (i) if required.
- (iii) In para 4 of this Ministry's letter of even number RT-11013/03/2011-MVL dated 5th May, 2011 as mentioned in para 1 of this letter for "whereby a driver does not need to use his clutch (in the case of AUTOCLUTCH Kit) or uses his hands to operate the break or accelerator" the following is substituted "whereby a driver does not need to use his clutch (in the case of AUTOCLUTCH Kit) or uses his hands or legs, or combination of his limbs to operate the brake or accelerator".
- (iv) A differently abled person with a licence to drive an altered vehicle shall be allowed to drive an altered vehicle of the same type anywhere in the country.
3. In view of above and for hassle free process, State Governments/UTs may authorize the respective RTOs for issue of such driving licences or registration certificates. However, in case of difficulties, the case may be referred to the State Authority or the Ministry.

Yours faithfully,



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To

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Sub: Clarification regarding grant of Driving License and Registration Certificates to differently abled persons – reg.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to your letter No. DI-12MLO/V.V/SWZ-II/2016/4055 dated 26.10.2016 seeking clarification regarding grant of driving license and registration certificates to differently abled persons.

2. Ministry has issued procedure for guidelines for grant of driving licence and registration certificate to differently abled persons only vide letter dated 14th June, 2016. If the applicant is able to drive the normal vehicle without causing any danger to the public or to the passengers, he may be permitted for driving a normal vehicle.

3. The Transport Department of NCT of Delhi may take appropriate action accordingly.

Yours faithfully,



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