Gunma Police
Procedure to convert a foreign driver's license to Japanese one
(Test to convert a foreign driver's license to Japanese one)

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◎ If you meet the following conditions, you can convert your foreign driver's license to Japanese one.

○ You are registered as a resident in Gunma prefecture.

○ You have a valid driver's license issued in a foreign country.

○ After you had got your foreign driver's license, you have stayed in the issuing country for a total period of three months or more.

＊ If you have stayed in the said country for a total period of a year or more, you are exempted from a novice driver period.

(In above period, you have to put Novice Driver Stickers on your car body and you are prohibited from riding double on a two-wheeled vehicle.)

Reservation Procedure	**Online reservation is required for document screening.** Please access the website of Gunma Prefectural Police and make a reservation using the reservation form.
Window for Screeninig	Driving License Examination Window (on the 2nd floor of Gunma General Traffic Center)
Requirements	○ Your foreign driver's license ＊ Please make a copy of both sides of your foreign driver's license in A4 size and submit it for screening. ＊ If the dates of first acquisition and renewal are not wrirtten on your foreign driver's license, please ask the licensing center of issuing counrty to send documents (e.g. license record etc.) that prove them. ○ Residence card (foreign applicants only) ○ Passport with your immigration records and all old ones ＊ Please make copies of the followings of your passport in A4 size and submit them for screening. ・ The photo of your face ・ Pages with your immigration stamps by the country that issued your license ＊ If you do not have your old passport or you had passed through an automated gate, please obtain your immigration records when you passed an automated gate in advamce as we cannot check immigration stamps. ○ Japanese translation of your foreign license ＊ Japanese translations available for the procedure are limited to the ones issued by one of the following authorities/organizations: ・ The issuing administrative agency ・ The consulate of the issuing country ・ The Japan Automobole Federation (JAF, online application only) ・ Ziplus Co., Ltd. (online application only) ○ An official copy of the residence certificate including registered domicile/nationality (issued within 6 months before application) Notes: If you are a foreign national, the official copy of the residence certificate should NOT include your individual number, but should include all other information including nationality. ○ A duplicate of the official copy of residence certificate (One copy) ＊ A photocopy of "the official copy of residence certificate issued by the mayer of municipality" will not be accepted for the procedure. ○ An application photograph ・ 3cm × 2.4cm ・ Taken within 6 months before application ・ Showing frontal face, no hat, with plain background, above chest

	○ Your Individual Number Card ＊ For those who already possess an Individual Number Card with driver's license information recorded (hereinafter called "Myna driver's license") or wish to get Myna driver's license. ○ If you have a valid Japanese driver's license or an expired one, please bring it. If you have had a Japanese driver's license in the past, please bring an expired Japanese license or a certificate of driving record. ○ If your foreign driver's license was issued in Brazil, please show your domestic ID card. If your foreign driver's license was issued in China, please show your domestic resident ID. If your foreign driver's license was issued in the Philippines, please show the official receipt. ○ International Driving Permit (If you have one) ○ Depending on the result of screening, submission of further documents may be required. ＊ If you get a driver's license for the first time after revocation of your driver's license, you need to show "certificate for completion of driver's license cancellation training course."

Notes	○ Japanese driver's license will be issued after verifying your ability to drive safely. ○ Applications may not be accepted as a result of screening. ○ Required documents may vary depending on the country that issued your license. For further details or inquiry, please contact us in advence. ○ Applicants whose status of residence is "Designated Activities" and planning to work as truck, taxi or bus drivers in the automobile transportation industry should call Gunma General Traffic Center. Tel. 027-253-9300 (9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.)

Fee for Semi-Medium Vehicle License

Category	Driver's license only	Driver's license + Myna driver's license	Myna driver's license only
Examination fee	3，900 yen	3，900 yen	3，900 yen
Issuance fee	2，350 yen	2，450 yen	1，550 yen
Total fee	6，250 yen	6，350 yen	5，450 yen

Fee for Regular Vehicle License

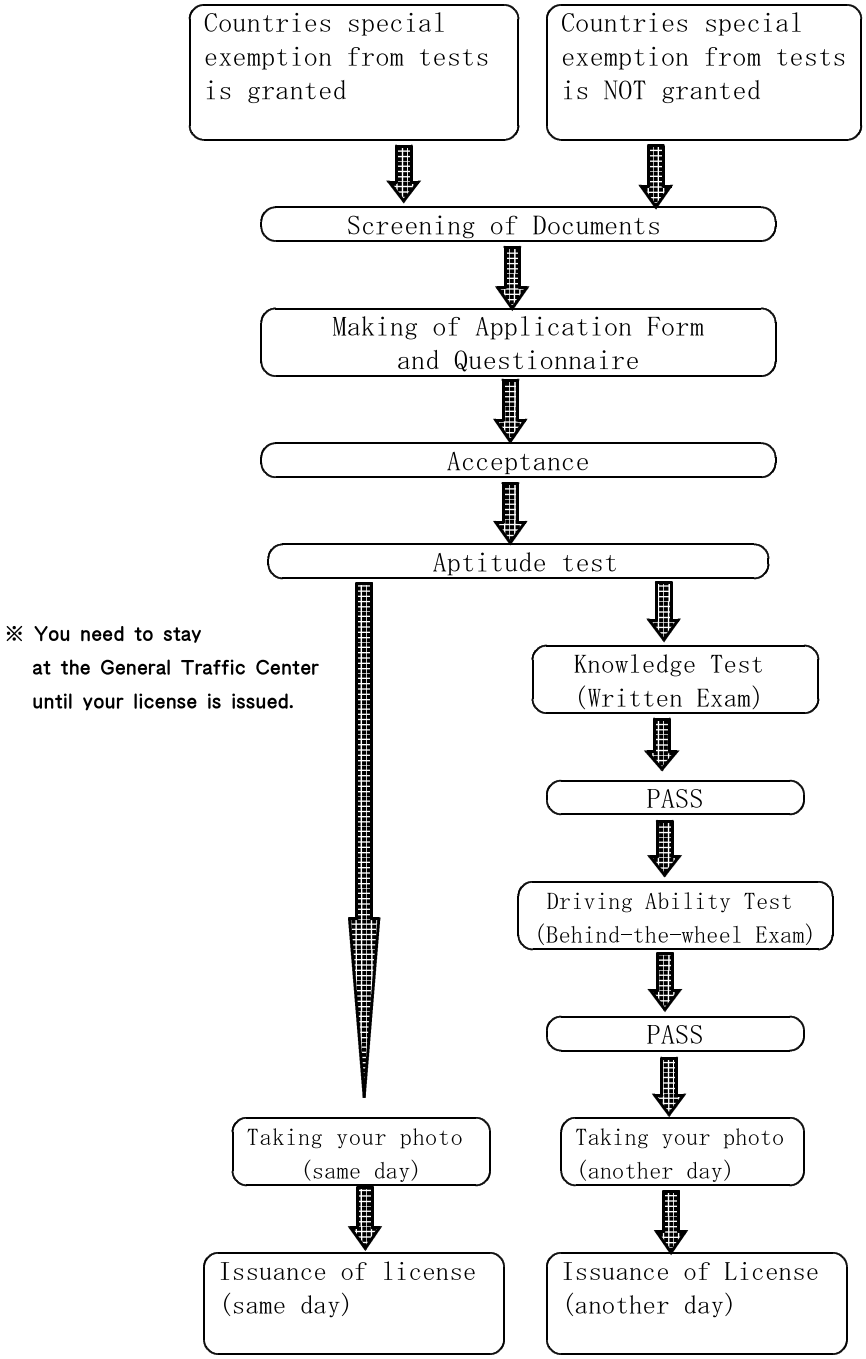
Category	Driver's license only	Driver's license + Myna driver's license	Myna driver's license only
Examination fee	2，500 yen	2，500 yen	2，500 yen
Issuance fee	2，350 yen	2，450 yen	1，550 yen
Total fee	4，850 yen	4，950 yen	4，050 yen

Fee for two-wheeled vehicle license

Category	Driver's license only	Driver's license + Myna driver's license	Myna driver's license only
Examination fee	2，800 yen	2，800 yen	2，800 yen
Issuance fee	2，350 yen	2，450 yen	1，550 yen
Total fee	5，150 yen	5，250 yen	4，350 yen

Fee for Moped (Gentsuki) License			
Category	Driver's license only	Driver's license + Myna driver's license	Myna driver's license only
Examination fee	1，600 yen	1，600 yen	1，600 yen
Issuance fee	2，350 yen	2，450 yen	1，550 yen
Total fee	3，950 yen	4，050 yen	3，150 yen

Procedure



※ Driver's license will be issued at around 4 p.m., however, the actual time depends on the number of examinees on the day etc.

Reference: Examination Section, Driver's License Division
027 - 253 - 9300