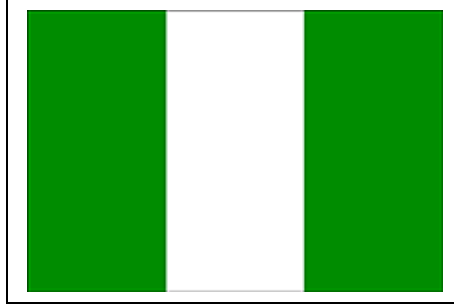




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Italian road rules: driving license, principal violation, points, documents, foreigners...



Regulations of the Road...the principal rules...for those that knows little Italian language.

The security of a person on a busy street is one main purpose of social and economic order. The movement of the pedestrians, the vehicles and of the animals, on the street, is controlled by norms, for the respect of international law.

In order to oblige people to respect the laws, they have to impose sanctions, administrative and penal and the deduction of points from the driver's license, for those who do not respect the rules.

The points of the driving license.

With regards to points, every driver's license has at its disposition 20,

The points reduces each time that the driver violates one of the rules of compartment, they can recover the points if from the last violation it passes two years without committing again and always that the person did not reach the quarter zero.

For those who have acquired the driving license after 1st October 2003, if they commit any infractions for the first three years, they will remove double of the points.

As one gets lost of its points, and to acquire the points back, at least 6, it requires attending courses for recovering the points through the driving school. If you want to know how many points you have, you can telephone at number 848782782.

** The cost of the fine is increased according to Article 195 (clause 2 bis) of the Highway Code because the violation/transgression was committed after 10p.m. and before 7 a.m.*

They have introduced a prize of good conduct for a driver that in two consecutive years has never lost points; in fact, it is possible to obtain up to 10 points.

Lists.

Artt.	Principal Violation	Poin ts	Euro
141	Dangerous velocities in curves, junctions, descending, frequent places, at night, with limited visibility.	-5	74,00 *
141	Velocity competitions with vehicles (example. Betting's) Withdraw of driving license and seizure of the vehicle. Art 9 bis and 9 ter.	-10	To be charged
142(8)	Over speed comprising between 11 and 40 km/h.	-3	155,00 *
142(9)	Over speed comprising between 41 km/h and 60 Km/h. Immediate withdrawal of the driving license: suspension from 1 to 3 months.	-6	500,00 *
142 (9bis)	Over speed over 60 Km/h. Immediate withdrawal of the driving license: suspension from 6 to 12 months.	-10	799,00 *
143	Not to cover more the lane towards right in tracks at 2 or more lane to avoid co-incident.	-4	38,00
143	Moving in the wrong direction.	-3	150,00
143	Moving in the wrong direction while in curve, with limited visibility or road with separate tracks or on the highway. Withdraw of the driving license. Suspension from 1 since 3 months; for recidivist suspension from 2 to 6 months.	-10	295,00
145	Lack of priority at the stop point.	-6	150,00 *
145	All other cases of lack of precedence.	-5	150,00 *
146	Lack of respect of the horizontal and vertical signs, excluding signs of avoids packing.	-2	38,00 *
146	Passing of the red traffic light or although the traffic police may pass other traffic flows (2 violating in two years amount to suspension of the driving license from 1 to 3 months).	-6	150,00 *
147	Violation committed at overhead bridge.	-6	78,00
148	Overtaking without the conditions (space, visibility), Overtaking through right of tram or bus.	-2	74,00
148	Modality of overtaking (2 violation in two years, suspension of driving license from 1 to 3 months).	-5	74,00
148	Overtaking: of tram, in area of junction, curves, "double overtake", overhead bridge without barriers, without traffic light etc. Immediate withdraw of the driving license and suspension from 1 since 3 months; for to have driving license before 3 years the suspension is from 3 to 6 months.	-10	150,00
148	Overtaking effected with a heavy duty (Immediate withdrawal of the driving license, and suspension from 2 since 6 months; for driving license before 3 years suspension is from 3 to 6 months).	-10	295,00
149	Lack of respect towards safety distance. Collision with damages light.	-3	38,00 *
149	Lack of respect towards safety distance in which collision occurred	-5	78,00 *

	with a heavy damage to the vehicle. (2 violating in two years amount to suspension of the driving license from 1 to 3 months).		
149	Lack of respect towards safety distance in which collision occurred with wound to the person. (If are also heavy damage to vehicles, suspension driving license from 1 to 3 months).	-8	389,00 *
152	Circulation without the use of lights.	-1	38,00
152	Use of lights for motorcycles and motorbike.	-1	38,00
153	Improper use or lack of the headlight.	-1	38,00
153	Use of the head lamp thereby intercepting other vehicles.	-3	78,00
154	Tuning or changing irregularly to another lane or without indicator light.	-2	38,00 *
154	Turning back when one is on curve,.. or junction	-8	78,00 *
158	Packing on the space reserved for invalid, on the bus-passing lane or on the areas reserved for buses. Removal of the vehicle.	-2	78,00
161	Lack of exposure of the "triangle" in case of fall of materials on the tracks.	-2	38,00
161	Fall or spilling on the track of materials that can create danger (example Oil).	-4	38,00
162	Lack of exposure of the "triangle" in case of stopped damaged vehicles on the track and/or not wearing reflecting jacket or luminous device.	-2	38,00
164	Irregular systemization of loads (either it is not fixed well or it limits the visibility of the driver. Front and back projection of load. Withdrawal documents (of papers).	-3	78,00
169	Transporting of extra people or of things in overloads on cars.	-2	38,00
169	Extra people on other vehicles; obstacles to the freedom to move during manoeuvring.	-1	78,00
170	Transporting irregularly of person, animals or objects on the vehicles or motorcycles. Towing is not allowed..	-1	74,00
171	Driving of machines or motorcycles without putting helmet (the machine has to be stopped for 60 days).	-5	74,00
172	Lack of using or mishandling of the seat belt or lack of using the baby seats (for the second time of violation in two years, suspension of the driving license from 15 days since 2 months.	-5	74,00
172	Irregular use of the security seat belt. (Example: using peg that looses the belt).	-5	37,00
173	Lacked use of the lenses (if prescribed on the driving license).	-5	74,00
173	The use of telephones without voice or earphones (for TWO transgressions in two years, suspension of the driving license from 1 to 3 months).	-5	148,00
176	Making a U-turn when one is on the high way. Withdrawal of the driving license and stopping the vehicle for 3 months. Payment on a cut prize is not allowed. Suspension driving license from 6 to 24 months.	-10	1.842,00 *
176	Reversing on the high way.	-10	389,00 *
176	Moving on the emergency lane. Withdrawal driving license and suspension from 2 to 6 months.	-10	389,00 *
177	Lack of precedence to the emergency vehicles (police, mobile police, ambulance, etc.) with device of alarm in function.	-2	38,00
186 bis	<i>Driving with a blood alcohol level above zero (and not more than 0.50 grams / liter) for inexperienced drivers, drivers younger than 21 years, professional drivers. In case of accident, the penalty is doubled.</i>	-5	155,00
186 A	<i>Driving with a blood alcohol level above 0.50 and not more than 0.80 g / l; withdrawal and suspension from 3 to 6 months of driving. In case of accident, the penalty is doubled and administrative detention of the vehicle for 180 days.</i>	-10	500,00
186 B	<i>Driving with a blood alcohol level greater than 0.8 g / l. and not</i>	-10	To be

	<i>more than 1.5 g / l. Immediate withdrawal and suspension of driving license.</i>		charged
186 C	Customer state of drunkenness. The investigations are required in the event of an accident. Immediate Withdrawal of licence, licence suspension, etc.. If the driver is also the owner of the vehicle, and exceeds 1.5 g / l (grams / liter) the quantity of alcohol, apply confiscation. <i>In case of accident driving license revocation.</i>	-10	To be charged
186	TO REFUSE TO undergo to verification if under drunkenness alcohol. Suspension of driving license.	-10	To be charged
187	Guide under the influence of drugs. The investigations are required in the event of an accident. Immediate Withdrawal of licence, licence suspension, etc.. If the driver is also the owner of the vehicle, apply confiscation. <i>In case of accident driving license revocation.</i>	- 10	To be charged
187	TO REFUSE TO under go verification if under the influence of drug. Suspension of driving license.	-10	To be charged
189	To hamper circulation in case of car accident with damages to things only, Omission of information, defence of circulation's safety.	-2	78,00
189	Running away in case of accident with light damage only to things.	-4	272,00
189	Running away in case of accident with severe damage only to things only. Suspension driving license from 15 days to 2 months.	-10	272,00
189	Running away in case of accident with damage to a person. Suspension of the driving license from 1 to 3 years. Impoundment of motorbikes and motorcycles.	-10	To be charged
189	FAILURE TO ASSIST injured persons. Suspension of the driving license from 18 months to 5 years.		To be charged
191	Lack of precedence to pedestrians who wishes to pass on the zebra crossing.	-8	150,00
191	Lack of precedence to pedestrians that crosses roads where there is no zebra crossing.	-8	150,00
191	Lack of precedence to invalid people, people with crutches or blind people guide by a dog.	-8	150,00
192	Do not stop at the stop point by a police command, (flying squad, Carabinieri, etc. To refuse to get the vehicle inspected, and do not respect the order to stop. Payment is not allowed.	-3	78,00
192	To refuse to produce one's papers (documents). Payment is not allowed.	-3	78,00
192	Not stopping itself to the traffic control posts. Payment is not allowed.	-10	1.227,00

The Motorcycles.

For one to drive a motorcycle you will have the following items;

Certificate of driving (Driving booklet) containing the technical data's. We should remember that if we buy a motorcycle, after four years, we must send it for revision, after that, it has to be every two years.



- **Insurance**, referring to the plate number.



- Payment for the roadworthiness (**annual tax of trafficking**).

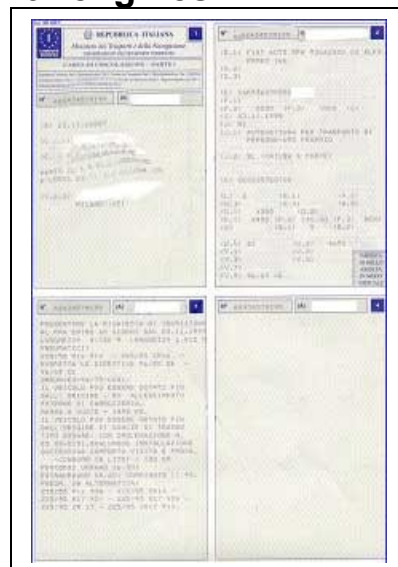


- Driving license for motorcycles (accredited certificate for driving) whether under-aged or for aged without driving license. **Patentino**.
- Whoever wishes to have the accredited certificate for driving, can frequent the right courses organized by the driving school. The student can frequent courses organized by the school.

Other vehicles with engines.

To drive a car, a motorcycle, or other vehicles with engine, it occurs to have with you the followings:

-A **driving permit (driving booklet)** containing the technical data's. We have to remember that if we buy a new car after four years, we must send it for revision, after that, it has to be every two years.



- **Insurance:**



- **Driving license** valid for the type of vehicle that one is driving.



Lack of possessing the driving documents.

If you have forgotten the driving documents mentioned above at home, you must bring it in sight through a police organ before 15 days.

If you did not present yourself, it is punishable with a sanction of 389,00 euro.

DRIVING WITHOUT DRIVING LICENCE: PENALTY, TO BE CHARGED

Moving with a driving license obtained from a foreign state, not European community.

-The driver free of a driving license, obtained from a foreign state, can drive in Italy, vehicles, in which, their driving license is valid to for **one year (1 year)** of once residence, after one year of their residence, they must convert their driving license.

If it is not possible to convert their driving license, they have to take the Italian driving license by going through the driving school.

-If the driving license obtained from a foreign state is not conformed to the type established in international convention, in which Italy has joined, they must forward an official translation in Italian language.

-When one has demonstrated the possession of a qualified professional certificate, for the driving of a determined vehicle, they must also have these documents.

-The driver free of a driving license, obtained from a foreign state they must respect all the comportment laws and to those it is applicable the sanctions mentioned also for those having the Italian driving license.

Conversion of a driving license obtained from a foreign state and from the states of European community.

When the owner of a valid driving license obtained from a state of the European Economic Community, takes a residence in Italy, to it, they have to apply the Italian way, in terms of the valid duration of the driving license, of the medical checkups, of fiscal dispositions and of registration on the driving license.

This includes also for the qualified professional certificate.

The owner of a driving license obtained from a state not a member of European community, if there exist an international accord of reciprocity, they must instead convert their driving license.

The issuing of driving license, in substitution of the driving license from another state, warrants thorough control of the psysical requisites, physical and morals.

List of States that gives driving license that can be converted. 12 December 2009.

ALGERIA	ALBANIA	IRLAND	REPUBLIC OF KOREA
ARGENTINA	URUGUAY	ISLAND	ROMANIA
AUSTRIA		LIBANON	SAN MARINO
BELGIUM		LIECHTENSTEIN	SLOVENIA

CROATIA	LUXEMBURG	SPAIN
DENMARK	MACEDONIA	BULGARIA
EL SALVADOR	MAILTA	SWEDEN
PHILIPPINES	MOROCCO	SWITZERLAND
FINLAND	NORWAY	TAIWAN
FRANCE	NETHERLANDS	TURKEY
GERMANY	POLAND	HONGARY
JAPAN	PORTUGAL	TUNISIA
GREAT BRITAIN	MONACO	MOLDOVA
GREECE	ESTONIA	LATVIA
CYPRUS	CZECH REPUBLIC	SLOVAK REPUBLIK
LITHUANIA		

FOREIGNERS.

Of extreme importance concerning the modification of article 207 of the regulations of the road.

1. In case the transgressor does not want to carry out the payment – for example, because he wants to propose an appeal – must pay, always in the hands of the responsible agent, in the name of caution, a sum equal to the double of the required sanction.
- 2 Failure to pay the caution comes with an administrative decision to stop the vehicle until when it has not been fulfilled the foretold burden, however, for a period not more than sixty days.
- 3 For the owner of a driving license, obtained from a foreign state in which they do not follow, the system, the drivers' license grading point, it is instituted through the elaboration data centre for department of land transport of the ministry for infrastructure and transports, a specific database.
- 4 This is progressively fed with anagraphic data's of the drivers who have committed the infraction, associating with each of them the point of penalization according to the modality required from the regulations of the road.
5. For those who have committed, within the period of one year, has violated for a total of, at least twenty points, the driving of a motor vehicles is inhibited on the Italian territory for a period of two years.
6. Where the total is at least twenty points whether it has reached within an arc of two years, the inhibition to the driver is limited to a year.
7. Where the total is at least twenty points whether it has reached in a period of time comprising between two to three years, the inhibition to the driver is limited to a year.

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CAUTION:

If you receive a report with **ART. 126 BIS**, you must communicate the data of the driver of the vehicle, so that the items from the license will be subtracted\deducted.

If the data of the driver are NOT stated, there will be further fine of 263.00 euros.

Art. 126 bis is added when the police do not know the driver, for example in cases of parking in a disabled-only area (art.158), or in case of minutes for Safety-speed (art.142.8°, art. 142.9 °), or for T-Red (art.146 crossing with red light, etc.).

REMEMBER: all sanctions (all records) must be paid within 60 (sixty) days from notification (i.e. after the police give an handwritten record with signature on, or when you get the record by mail through a registered letter.

If the minutes (penalty) is not paid within 60 days, the fee (sanzione) gets double and is registered in your tax form (*o tax return*).

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