Ireland's New Driver Number Requirement

What are the changes to the Road Traffic Act and how does this affect customers?

Changes to the Road Traffic Act come into effect from **31st March 2025** which require all motor insurance customers to provide their **driver number**, and those of all named drivers, to their broker / insurer prior to setting up a new motor insurance policy, renewing an existing motor insurance policy or adding a new driver to their policy.

From this date, you will not be able to take out a new policy, renew a policy or add a new driver to your policy without providing the driver number(s) to your broker.

If you have a fleet policy with Wrightway which is covered on a declaration basis, you will have to enter the driver number, date of birth and licence country on the NFD (National Fleet Database) for all your named drivers.

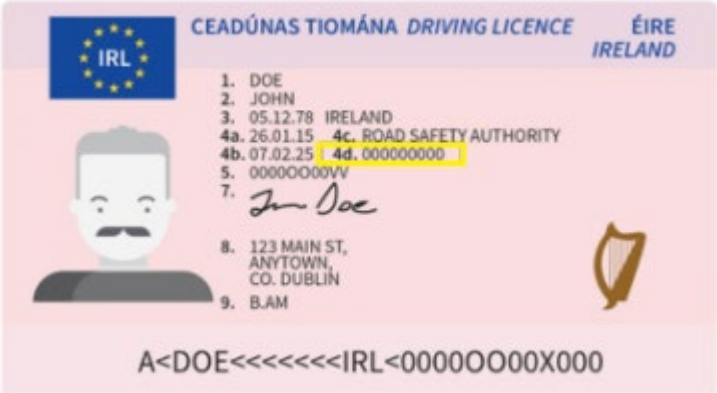
Why do we need this information?

The new law requires us to provide the driver numbers and licence country to the MIBI (Motor Insurers Bureau of Ireland) along with other policy information that we are already legally required to provide. An Garda Síochána will have access to this information on their Garda Mobility Devices to help them to identify uninsured drivers.

Where can you find your driver number?

Irish Driver Numbers are 9 digits long and they are found in section 4d. on the plastic card licences, and this number remains with the driver throughout their driving history.

The driver number may be in various places & formats on foreign licences.



What do you need to do next?

If you have not already done so you should provide your broker with your driver number, and those of any named drivers, as soon as possible. Please contact your broker to find out how you can do this.