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When do you need a D4 medical examination report?

You will need a D4 medical examination report:

- If this is your first application for a Group 2 bus or lorry licence - if you are applying to renew your Group 2 entitlement at 45
- From 45 on, a D4 will be needed every 5 years until you are 65 when you will need one annually
- If you are under 70, hold a medically restricted car licence and held this licence before 1 January 1997 and wish to apply for C1 or C1/D1 entitlement (vehicles between 3500kg and 7500kg and/or a maximum of 16 passenger seats) 3
- If you are applying for a new Group 2 provisional licence and a D4 has not been submitted in the last 12 months
- If you are a NI or EU or EEA driving licence holder whose authority to drive Group 2 in Great Britain has run out
- If you are 70 and still need C1 and D1 entitlement, you will need to have a D4 every 3 years

THE D4 IS VALID FOR A PERIOD OF 4 MONTHS FROM THE DATE THE DOCTOR AND OPTICIAN OR OPTOMETRIST SIGNS AND DATES IT

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Please note - you do not need to send in a D4 when you renew a medically restricted licence until you are 45. If you are over 45 and have a medically restricted licence, a D4 will be required every 5 years.

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Acquired Rights

Who has acquired rights?

	Vehicle categories included	When you got your vocational licence
Lorry	C, C1, C+E and C1+E	Before 10 September 2009
Bus or Coach	D, D1, D+E, D1+E	Before 10 September 2008
Bus or Coach (not for hire or reward)	D (101)	After 1991
Minibus (not for hire or reward)	D1 (101)	Before 1997

LIFET. Acquired Rights

If you have your C1 through acquired rights you will need Periodic CPC to drive on C1 licence for hire or reward.

If you have C1 through acquired rights and want to do C or C+E you can do either initial CPC or Periodic CPC to drive for hire or reward.

If you have D1 (101) through acquired rights and want to do category D you can only do initial CPC in order to drive for hire or reward. Although if you do this your D1 will still show 101 restriction, however the D test you pass will override the 101 restriction on the D1 enabling you to drive for hire or reward on both categories (D1 & D).

To lift a 101 restriction you will need to begin the process from scratch for that licence category, apply for a provisional, attend a medical and pass the relevant theory tests.