



CONSULAT GENERAL DE FRANCE A WASHINGTON

Le Consul Général

Washington D.C., le 19.07.2011

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Le Consulat général de France à Washington présente ses compliments au Département des Transports de l'Etat du Maryland et a l'honneur de l'informer que les autorités françaises procèdent à l'échange des permis de conduire délivrés par le Maryland contre des permis de conduire français, dès lors et aussi longtemps que les autorités du Maryland procèdent à l'échange des permis de conduire français contre des permis délivrés par le Maryland. Les échanges des permis de conduire délivrés par le Maryland s'effectuent dans le respect de la législation interne française, selon les modalités suivantes :

1- Tout titulaire d'un permis de conduire de catégorie C non commerciale délivré par le Maryland peut obtenir l'échange de celui-ci contre un permis de conduire de catégorie B délivré par la France, sans avoir à passer d'épreuves théoriques ni pratiques, dès lors qu'il a acquis sa résidence normale en France. Les conditions de cet échange sont définies par les lois et règlements applicables dans ce domaine sur le territoire de la République française.

2- Les permis de conduire délivrés par le Maryland qui sont échangés en France contre un permis de conduire français sont conservés par l'autorité française compétente. Ils ne sont rendus à leurs titulaires qu'en échange du permis de conduire français délivré à ces derniers par cette même autorité.

3- L'autorité française compétente peut vérifier auprès de l'autorité compétente du Maryland l'authenticité de tout permis de conduire présenté à l'échange, c'est à dire l'existence, la catégorie et la validité du permis de conduire en question ainsi que l'identité de son titulaire.

DEPARTEMENT DES TRANSPORTS DU MARYLAND
7201 Corporate Center Drive
HANOVER, MD 21076

Les demandes d'authentification sont envoyées à l'autorité compétente du Maryland à l'adresse suivante :

Ms. Jennifer Hine, Manager
Driver Services
Maryland Motor Vehicle Administration
Room 207 MVA Building
Glen Burnie, MD 21062

Le Consulat général de France à Washington serait reconnaissant au Département des Transports de l'Etat du Maryland de bien vouloir lui confirmer que tout titulaire d'un permis de conduire de catégorie B délivré par la France peut obtenir l'échange de celui-ci contre un permis de conduire de catégorie C non commerciale délivré par le Maryland, sans avoir à passer d'épreuves théoriques ni pratiques, dès lors qu'il a acquis sa résidence normale dans le Maryland, et cela dans les conditions définies par les lois et règlements applicables dans ce domaine sur le territoire du Maryland.

La France notifiera au Maryland toute modification de ses lois et règlements susceptible d'affecter les conditions d'échange des permis de conduire et en particulier, lui adressera les nouveaux modèles de permis de conduire qui pourraient être mis en circulation.

Le Consulat général de France à Washington saisit cette occasion pour renouveler au Département des Transports de l'Etat du Maryland les assurances de sa haute considération./.



Michel SCHAFFHAUSER
Consul Général de France



(Translated from the French)

Washington D.C., 07.19.2011

The Consulate-General of France in Washington presents its compliments to the Maryland Department of Transportation and has the honor to inform it that the French authorities shall exchange driver's licenses issued by Maryland for French driver's licenses, provided that, and for as long as, the authorities of Maryland exchange French driver's licenses for driver's licenses issued by Maryland. The exchanges of driver's licenses issued by Maryland shall be carried out in accordance with the domestic laws and regulations of the French Republic, as follows:

1- Any holder of a non commercial class C driver's license issued by Maryland may exchange that license for a Category B driver's license issued by France without being required to take a theory test or a practical test provided that he/she is normally resident in France. The conditions for this exchange shall be defined by the laws and regulations applicable in this field in the territory of the French Republic.

2- Driver's licenses issued by Maryland and exchanged in France for a French driver's license shall be kept by the competent French authority. They shall only be returned to their holders in exchange for the French driver's license issued to them by that same authority.

3- The competent French authority may verify with the competent authority in Maryland the authenticity of any driver's license presented for exchange, that is to say the existence, the category and the validity of the driver's license in question, as well as the identity of its holder.

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
7201 Corporate Center Drive
HANOVER, MD 21076

The requests for authentication shall be sent to the competent authority in Maryland, whose address is as follow:

Ms. Jennifer Hine, Manager
Driver Services
Maryland Motor Vehicle Administration
Room 207 MVA Building
Glen Burnie, MD 21062

The Consulate-General of France in Washington requests that the Maryland Department of Transportation confirm that any holder of a Category B driver's license issued by France may exchange that license for a non commercial class C driver's license issued by Maryland without being required to take a theory test or a practical test, provided that he/she is normally resident in Maryland, in accordance with the laws and regulations applicable in this field in the territory of Maryland.

France shall notify Maryland of any changes to its laws and regulations liable to affect the conditions for exchange of driver's licenses and, in particular, shall send to it the new models of driver's licenses that may be put into circulation.

The Consulate-General of France in Washington avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Maryland Department of Transportation the assurances of its highest consideration./.

Michel SCHAFFHAUSER
Consul General of France

(Signature and seal)

The State of Maryland presents its compliments to the Consulate-General of France and has the honor to acknowledge receipt of its letter, listing the conditions under which France shall exchange driver licences issued by the State of Maryland.

The State of Maryland furthermore informs the Consulate-General of France that the authorities of Maryland shall exchange French driver's licenses for driver's licenses issued by Maryland, provided that, and for as long as, the French authorities exchange driver's licenses issued by Maryland for French driver's licenses. The exchanges of driver's licenses issued by France shall be carried out in accordance with the domestic laws and regulations of the State of Maryland, as follows:

1- Any holder of a Category B driver's license issued by France may exchange that license for a non-commercial driver's license issued by the State of Maryland without being required to take a theory test or a practical test provided that he/she is a resident in Maryland. The conditions for this exchange shall be defined by the laws and regulations applicable in this field in the State of Maryland.

2- Driver's licenses issued by France and exchanged in the State of Maryland for a driver's license of that State shall be sent to the Consulate-General of France for transmission to the competent French authority.

3- The State of Maryland may verify with the competent French authority the authenticity of any driver's license presented for exchange, that is to say the existence, the category and the validity of the driver's license in question, as well as the identity of its holder.

The requests for authentication shall be sent to the Department of the French National Register of Driver's Licenses (FNPC), whose address is as follow:

Ministère de l'Intérieur, de l'Outre-Mer et des Collectivités Territoriales
Secrétariat Général
Direction de la Modernisation et de l'Action Territoriale
Sous-direction de la Circulation et de la Sécurité Routières
Service du Fichier National des Permis de Conduire (FNPC)
Place Beauvau
75800 PARIS Cedex 08 – France

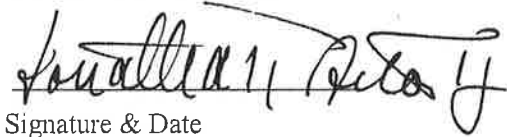
Requests for authentication can also be faxed on: + 33 1 60 37 13 91

The State of Maryland shall notify the Consulate-General of France in of any changes to its laws and regulations liable to affect the conditions for exchange of driver's licenses and, in particular, shall send to it the new models of driver's licenses that may be put into circulation.

The State of Maryland avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Consulate-General of France the assurances of its highest consideration.

Approved for legal form and sufficiency :

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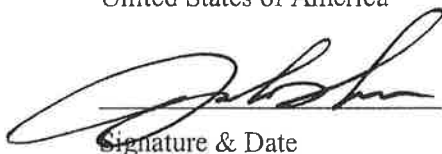

Signature & Date

Signed by

Beverley K. Swaim-Staley
Secretary of Transportation
State of Maryland
United States of America


Signature & Date

John T. Kuo
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Motor Vehicle Administration
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United States of America


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