Getting a Driver’s License in Seattle, Washington

In order to drive in the United States, you are required to obtain a state driver’s license AND car insurance.

Steps to receive a Driver’s License:
1. Request a SEVIS Page from IP Office
2. Apply for Washington State Drivers License at Department of Licensing Office
   a. Drivers Licensing Office: West Seattle
      8830 25th Ave SW
      Seattle, WA 98106-3237
3. Take and pass the Knowledge Test (you must pass with 20 out of 25 questions correct) at an independent driving school within King County (see below for a list of locations near SSCC)
4. Schedule and take the Driving Skills Test at an independent driving school within King County
   a. You must provide proof of insurance and vehicle registration if using own vehicle (insurance information is listed below)

If you are under 18 years old, you must also:
- Pass a traffic safety course through an independent driving school within King County (see below for a list of locations near SSCC)
- Have an instruction permit for at least 6 months
  o You can receive an instruction permit if (1) you are enrolled in a traffic safety course or (2) you pass the knowledge test.
- Complete this form (http://www.dol.wa.gov/forms/520003.pdf) with your parent, legal guardian, or employer stating that you have at least 50 hours of driving practice (including 10 hours at night) with someone who’s been licensed for 5 or more years.

Where can I take the driving skills test?

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<th>Defensive Driving School of West Seattle</th>
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Car Insurance Companies in Seattle

There are hundreds of car insurance companies in Seattle and the greater Seattle area. We recommend “shopping” for a car insurance company that will work best for you and best fits your budget.

Some questions to consider when shopping for car insurance:

- Are there translators with your company who speak my language?
- Does your company offer a safe driver discount?
- Can you explain your policies to me in simple terms?
- What are your payment options?
- How do I manage my account/insurance?
- How much will my coverage cost?

Contact International Programs for more information
6000 16th Avenue SW • Seattle, WA 98106-1499 • 1-206-934-5360 • http://southseattle.edu/international

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