

Motor vehicles: Registration of used vehicles from a non-EU country

Registration of a used vehicle from a non-EU country is analogous to the re-registration of a decommissioned vehicle. Please note the following additional specific requirements.

What documents do I need?

- Certificate of conformity (COC paper) in the original,
- foreign vehicle documents (with a German translation if possible) and, if you have them, foreign registration plates;
- electronic insurance confirmation,
- Proof of ownership of the vehicle (e.g. purchase contract or original invoice),
- Proof of a valid German general vehicle inspection (HU - road worthiness test),
- valid identification documents of the vehicle owner (identity card or passport with confirmation of registration - driver's license and similar documents are not accepted),
- SEPA direct debit mandate (direct debit authorization),
- customs clearance,
- If modifications have been made to the vehicle after purchase (such as aluminum rims, spoilers, auxiliary heating), the vehicle must be approved by an officially recognized expert (for example, TÜV Nord, DEKRA, TÜV Hanse, TÜV Süd).
- In the case of severe changes (change of vehicle type or exhaust /noise behavior, etc), the vehicle must be examined by an officially recognized expert. The certificate issued for this examination must also be presented at the time of registration.

Fees

The exact amount of the fee (at least 45,80€) can only be determined on the spot on the basis of the complete documents.

In addition, there is a fee for making the license plates.

What else do I need to know?

The registration authority will provide stickers for the license plates for the general inspection (HU) and the registration district.