# Driving in the US

## Get a SC driver's license:

- 1. Bring **documents** to **DMV**
- 2. **DMV Location:** 1630 Shop Road, Columbia, SC 29202
- 3. Pass a knowledge test to get **Beginner's permit (**you can drive from 6 am to midnight with a licensed driver**)**
- 4. Pass a driving test to get **Driver's** License (180 days after receiving Beginner's permit)



# **Required documents:**

1. Passport , I-20 and I-94 (<u>Click here</u>to print I-94)



- 2. Certificate of Enrollment (visit Registrar's Office at 1244 Blossom Street to get the certificate)
- 3. **Proof of SC Address** (Bank statement or any bills you receive such as electricity, TV cable, phone services bills etc.)
- 4. Social Security Card or Rejection Letter (bring passport, I-20, I-94 and Proof of SC address and visit Social Security Administration at 1835 Assembly St.)

#### If you have a driver's license from another country:

You can get SC driver's license without any test if you have a driver's license from certain countries. Please check the <u>country list here</u>.

#### For other countries:

You still need to pass two tests, but don't need to wait until 180 days to apply for SC driver's license after receiving Beginner's permit. One additional **translation document** (<u>SCDMV form 4030</u>) is required. You can find translation service companies online.

#### Buy a used car



- Carmax
- Enterprise
- Hertz
- Car Dealerships

## Auto insurance companies

- Geico
- Progressive
- Allstate
- State Farm
- And more!





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