



## Competent authority:

District Transport Inspectorate ("Okresný Dopravný Inšpektorát").

## What documents do I need to present to register a car?

An application for registration of a vehicle in the motor vehicle registry;

The vehicle registration certificate for an individually imported vehicle;

- Proof of purchase of the vehicle (invoice, contract of sale, credit contract);
- Valid identification;
- European Certificate of Conformity (COC or equivalent) for new cars. If you do not have it, you can contact the manufacturer in Slovakia or their representative in the country of purchase. If the manufacturer cannot provide a COC, contact one of the approval authorities on the [European Commission list](#) to see if they can supply the relevant documentation;
- Consent of the vehicle's owner (such as in cases where a creditor is the owner);
- Proof of the identity of the vehicle and of its history ("Kontrola originality") (average costs: EUR 60-120).

## To register the car, do I have to show that a technical inspection has been performed?

**Yes. Be aware that foreign vehicle inspections are not recognised.** You therefore need to provide proof that a Slovak inspection has taken place. This applies only to vehicles older than four years.

## Is it mandatory to show proof of insurance to the registration service?

**Yes, you have to show confirmation of car insurance.**

## To whom should VAT be paid?

A car is considered new if no more than 6 months have passed since the date on which it was first registered or if its mileage does not exceed 6 000 km. For intra-EU transactions, **new cars are VAT exempt**. Thus, the supplier should not charge VAT. Instead, if you have bought a new car in another EU Member State with the intention of importing it to and registering it in your country of residence, you must pay VAT in your own Member State at that country's rate.

**All other cars are considered second hand** (more than 6 months since the date of first registration and mileage of more than 6 000 km). They are generally sold inclusive of VAT if the supplier is a taxable person for VAT purposes. You don't have to pay VAT in your country of residence.

VAT should be paid to the local tax office of the municipality where you are resident.

## Documents to be presented within 7 days of purchase:

- A VAT declaration form;
- Proof of purchase of the vehicle (invoice, contract of sale, credit contract);
- EUR 1.50 stamp duty.

**COUNTRY OF  
REGISTRATION**

# Slovakia



Bratislava

**Before final registration, can I drive in Slovakia with temporary plates?**

**Yes**, transit plates from other EU Member States are recognised.

**Whom do I contact in the event of difficulties with the registration authority/administration?**

You can contact the [SOLVIT Centre Slovakia](#) for help with any difficulties.

If you have a question linked to your consumer rights when purchasing a car cross-border, contact your local ECC: [www.economy.gov.sk](http://www.economy.gov.sk)

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